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WRMS highlights need for volunteers, arts



About 50 residents, volunteers and business owners came out Tuesday to hear what WRMS is up to this year.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Main Streets (WRMS) held its annual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 21 at the Squealing Pig on Centre Street.

The event was an opportunity for WRMS and its volunteers to highlight its successes of the past year and discuss where they're putting resources this year for new projects and ideas. The event

was also an opportunity for WRMS to give out awards to businesses in the community doing good work to promote the district and increase the district's vibrancy. WRMS member Karen Bishop pointed out the work isn't really work.

"We don't do this as work, we do this for fun," she said. "If you're looking for some-

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Boston Parks and Rec discuss dog park at Smith Playground

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department held a meeting last Thursday on Phase Two of the proposed plan for the Smith Playground in Allston. Project Manager from Parks, Cathy Baker-Eclipse, and Kevin Beutell, the Project Manager at STANTEC led the meeting, which was attended by 15 neighbors and community members.

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department began a master plan of Smith Playground in 2016 after years of advocacy by the Harvard Allston Task Force. Phase One of the Smith Playground (located in Lower Allston) master plan was completed last November. The first phase included a new "state-of-the-art" playground with a splash pad, a multipurpose field (to be used for soccer, lacrosse, and other field sports), a new street hockey rink

and basketball courts, a community area, an amphitheater, a skate park, Boston's first pump track, walking paths with pedestrian lighting, and the Daniel DeLue sculpture "Quest Eternal," (formerly located in front of the Prudential Center).

Baker-Eclipse opened the Phase Two Community meeting by discussing the timeline for the second part of the project. Design development and construction documents will take place during the winter and spring of this year. Bidding for the project will happen this Summer. The Boston Parks and Rec department plans on constructing the project from Fall 2020 til Fall 2021, and anticipates the park opening in Fall 2021. "Construction will take about a year," she stated. The estimated cost of construction is \$4.5 million.

Baker-Eclipse also discussed

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More than 600 volunteer for 16th annual Boston Cares Martin Luther King Day of Service



More than 600 students, volunteers and residents came out to pitch in on Martin Luther King Day at the Boston Latin School for Boston Cares.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

More than 600 students, residents, volunteer organizations and officials came out on Monday for the 16th annual Boston Cares Martin Luther King Day of Service.

The focus of this year's Day of Service was job training and vocational skills. Volunteers worked diligently to organize and create workforce

development learning tools. The idea was to create workbooks, portfolios, mock interview flashcards, stressballs and more for organizations supporting adults and teens entering the workforce.

Boston Cares Executive Director Sara Hamilton said this is the 5th year they have held the event at the Boston Latin School.

"It's about 600 volunteers registered and it looks like we

have a great show rate, and these volunteers come from all over the city, all neighborhoods, all different types of groups," she said. "We have Americorps here, faith-based groups, college groups, students, families and just a little bit of everything."

Hamilton said all the materials are going to go directly to nonprofit partners all across

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Hyde Park Library to celebrate 20 years of renovation and innovation

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Library will be celebrating 20 years of its original renovation on Saturday, Jan. 25, starting at noon.

The celebration represents a history of the library that goes back more than 100 years.

"The project started actually back in 1997 when Mayor Thomas Menino was in office," said President of the Citywide Friends of the Boston Public Library (BPL) and member of the Friends of the Hyde Park Branch of the BPL David Vieira. "Back a couple of years ago, before I was president of the Friends, I knew the library had a centennial coming. A lot of people might not know this, but the Hyde Park Library was built while Hyde Park was still a



The original, left, and the 20-year old addition, right.

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town."

Vieira said this makes Hyde Park unique in the system.

"And of course when Hyde Park was annexed in

1912, it became a branch of the BPL," he said. "So we had the centennial coming up for the original building, which

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ACA hears about development, Census and emergency prep



The Allston Civic Association met and talked about the Skating Club of Boston moving from the neighborhood to Norwood and what developers want to put in its place.

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Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

It was standing room only at the Allston Civic Association meeting, held Wed., Jan. 15 at the Honan-Allston library branch, as about 75 people heard about three proposals in various stages of planning. Also on the agenda was important information about the Census and the City’s emergency preparedness program.

“It’s been a pretty hectic 2019,” ACA President Anthony D’Isidoro said. “And I don’t know if it’s good or bad, but 2020’s going to be even worse. But we appreciate your support, and of course, we appreciate the town. That’s very important for people to see that.”

A number of officials and their representatives attended, including Rep. Kevin Honan and his aide; Tom Leonard, who is running for Republican State Committee; and representatives for Rep. Michael Moran and City Councilors Julia Mejia, Anissa Essaibi-George and Liz Breadon.

The largest issue was for the redevelopment of the Skating Club of Boston property at 1240 Soldiers Field Rd.

Stephen Davis, managing director of The Davis Companies, gave an informational presentation on the plans to redevelop the Boston Skating Club’s site. It is the fourth project the company has done in Allston-Brighton, and is located in the middle of the Western Avenue development corridor, with the Boston Landing MBTA station to the south.

“What we’re trying to do with this project is offer something that either already exists in the neighborhood, or what is planned to be developed in the neighborhood,” he said.

He noted that this is basically the only above-grade crossing to get from lower Allston to the Charles River Watershed across Soldier’s Field Road.

“We viewed this as a monu-

mental opportunity,” he said.

In order to make the project feel “knitted into the community” from the outset, Eric Robinson from RODE Architects said he wanted the proposed housing complex to benefit the neighborhood. It would have a greenspace for residents and the community with movements cutting through the center. Also, it would connect to the elevated walkway.

There would be a mix of rental building, home-ownership building and a hotel. The hotel would be located on the Western Ave. side of the project. A 14,000 square-foot retail area is being proposed for the Western Ave. side to wrap around the Telford Ave. side of the property.

The project will also take into account Complete Streets planning by proposing a bike lane.

When Robinson said the buildings would “step-down from 24 to 23 stories,” the crowd erupted.

“How can you say you’re fitting in with the community when you’re talking about putting up high-rises?” Tom Lally, ACA board member emeritus, questioned.

He also complained that the renderings were difficult to see as the audience mumbled.

Robinson said there was some precedent for larger buildings, and the height was the “tradeoff” for the open space to accomplish the density for housing.

He added that none of this has been filed with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) as yet.

Another project was a proposal by the White Horse Tavern to create a beer garden on the outdoor patio.

Doug Bacon, owner of the White Horse and several area establishments, said he intends to create a cooperative arrangement with a local beer company. The company may rotate every six months and serve eight to ten different types of beer on tap.

“The last few years, we have suffered from the opening of a lot of beer gardens and tap rooms and tasting rooms that are owned and operated by beer companies,” Bacon said. “It’s very frustrating to those of us who operate year-round in brick-and-mortar buildings.”

In response, he developed a plan to expand the patio area by about 60 percent into the parking area which is on private property. Beer outside will be sold only by the cooperative partner. The area will be fenced-in and accessed through The White Horse.

There will be live music that is “not excessively loud,” tentatively scheduled between noon and 9 p.m. with one performer and a small PA system. A stipulation in his license requires Bacon to serve food every time he serves a beverage outside.

He would like that stipulation removed, so that people can be allowed to socialize and not be obligated to buy food with each purchase.

D’Isidoro suggested setting up an abutter’s meeting through Connor Newman, the Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services liaison. This way, Bacon could apply to the Licensing Board and proceed with his plans to launch in April, then meet before the ACA after the abutter’s meeting for input. All stakeholders agreed, and the crowd was generally receptive.

The third project was 7-9 Pratt St., which D’Isidoro described as a “cut and dried” project to expand an existing porch. It was designed by an architect and has an appointment before a subcommittee of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Marcia Marquez spoke about the importance of filling out the U.S. Census, the process of which is beginning now.

“Who here likes power and money?” she asked. She noted

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WalkUP talks Washington and Hyde Park Ave.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

WalkUP Roslindale held a joint meeting with the Boston Transportation Department (BTD), the MBTA, the BTD Transit Team, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), and several other city officials and transportation advocates last week to discuss possible transportation improvements to Washington Street and Hyde Park Avenue.

While the Hyde Park Avenue discussion was more about generating ideas for the 4.5-mile stretch of road, going through Hyde Park, Roslindale and then Jamaica Plain, the discussion for Washington's 1.2-mile stretch was focused specifically on the dedicated bus lane from 2017. BTD Representative Matthew Moran said they are looking at expanding the dedicated bus lane to the other side of the street for the afternoon commute first.

Moran said the need for the northbound dedicated lane was clear, as 59 percent of people on Washington Street during a.m. peak hours were on the bus. He said the need is slightly higher in the afternoon going south, at 60 percent. The idea now is to create a dedicated bus lane for that need. He said they are still doing outreach on the idea and will be meeting with

neighborhood groups to hash it out, but they hope to start a pilot program in the spring.

"So what we heard is for the southbound side of Washington there is heavy peak congestion, at about a 10-15 minute delay," he said. "The MAPC conducted a parking study on the Washington Street Corridor from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. for both sides of the street."

Moran said they are looking specifically at the area between Forest Hills and Taft Hill Terrace, for both parking and inclusion in the bus lane. He said the MAPC found that less than 40 percent of spaces on the street were occupied at 7 a.m. and 65 percent occupied at 11 a.m. At 5 p.m., only 53 percent of spaces were on average occupied, and that fact lent itself to having a dedicated bus and bike lane southbound with as little impact as possible on parking and local businesses.

"For the outbound lane, the vehicles parked closest to Forest Hills had higher durations than most within the residential zone, and this would indicate that these are folks who might be commuting," he said.

Also to improve bus service for both lanes, he said the BTD is looking at including full-time queue jumping, which means that when the bus lanes are not in service, a bus will have space provided at an intersection to



BTD and MBTA officials came to discuss road improvements to Washington Street in Roslindale and Hyde Park Avenue in Hyde Park.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

pass traffic on the right and jump ahead, easing congestion and buses stuck in line behind one another. He said they are also working with the MBTA to put in Transit Signal Priority (TSP), which detects when a bus is close and will lengthen a green light or shorten a red light to allow the bus more fluid transit and less time stuck waiting. He added they will also look at retiming the signals and improving waiting areas to both reduce wait times and increase comfort for commuters.

MBTA Representative Robert Guptill that when buses get bunched together it can make reliability an issue, as many do not arrive at the regular inter-

vals estimated by the MBTA.

"I would say that in terms of reliability and travel speeds, things like bus lanes and queue jumping and TSP will allow us to reduce the variables we experience," he said. "Which means that we can keep buses more according to schedule. When you can get through a stop light more reliably, you're less likely to have a bus behind another and having two buses leap-frogging along the corridor."

One resident said many buses, some of which are not even full, actually blow by waiting passengers. Guptill said he will be looking to stop drivers from doing that.

Resident Mark Smith pointed out that BTD may try to implement more crosswalks, as between Archdale and South Street make crossing the street dangerous for residents and slows traffic.

Resident Steve Gag said he will join the BTD to hand out flyers and educate riders about the upcoming pilot to generate support.

"I did that for the northbound lane and that was very helpful for bus riders and people who park their cars on Washington," he said. "If you want to get to know your neighborhood, there's no better way

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The comptroller has recently released information for 2019 stating that some 18,680 workers for the Commonwealth took home at least \$100,000. Except for possible feelings of jealousy on non-state workers' part, there would be nothing discomfiting with the revelation of these figures, if these were actual Lottery ticket winners. But these 18,000 plus people have taken home and cashed these golden paychecks with money from your and my taxes—income, sales, and otherwise.

Undoubtedly a number of these people deserved to be in this lofty income category—lawyers, doctors, CPA's, tenured university professors, computer techies, master trades people—but I wonder if the failure of management to oversee and cutback on useless overtime has contributed to this astronomic rise, growing more than 10% from 2018 when the numbers of such earners reaching this lofty plateau was only 16,940.

Mind you, these are all state workers per se: none of these figures involves workers for various state authorities, a creation of the state where our elected state officials have even less input, except when they want various relatives to work there. Thus the Mass Convention Center Authority, Mass Port Authority, Mass Bay Transportation Authority (the "T"), Mass Higher Education Authority, and other authorities have no employees on this recent revelation, but you can be



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pretty sure that they will have plenty of "Lottery" winners when their salary figures are announced.

Some of the "Lottery" winners even scratched a bonus section: 960 state workers cashed pay checks for more than \$200,00 including 325 out of the 2200 state troopers. The good news is that only 17 state workers took home more than a half a million buckaroos, as overtime spending increased to more than \$300 million, another upward percent from last year.

The "Megabucks" winner was the chancellor at UMass Medical, who pulled in 7 figures while the provost there did likewise. No heavy lifting, no 3 AM phone calls from ailing patients, and no hours of standing to perform delicate surgery for these two lucky ones.

If any aspect of these high salaries elevated by huge amounts of overtime is bothersome, it is that so many managers refuse to cut back on overtime. But what if jobs cannot be performed/finished during regular working hours, assuming that workers are striving to finish them during their regular time/shifts? Hire more workers? I dunno. OK, maybe a tad of overtime.

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the city's priorities regarding the development of the playground. The city of Boston's priorities for phase two include expanding walkable access to parks, addressing equity, housing/community building, and climate resilience.

"Climate resilience is becoming more and more a priority. We're so close to the river - we're not waterfront, but we're definitely influenced by the river," explained Baker-Eclipse.

The Boston Parks and Rec goals include preserving and protecting existing trees, expanding usable park area, improving universal access, enhancing park visibility, and designing multi-functional park spaces.

"I think a lot of people feel like this is a heavily recreational field and park, and we want to continue that use, but we also want to create a beautiful park that people can use and walk through," Baker-Eclipse explained. Pedestrian lighting will be on at all times of the night, which many meeting attendees were pleased with.

"How often will the athletic field lights be on?" Asked one meeting attendee. Baker-Eclipse explained that they will be controlled with a permit system.

Kevin Beuttell discussed the athletic fields and dog park: "As far as amenities for the fields, they will be lit - there will be lighting. Other amenities for the ball fields are drinking fountains and bottle fillers, bleachers, shaded team areas, storage areas that will be locked so teams can store equipment, and we're also looking at potentially including score boards as well."

Beuttell also explained that the Boston Parks and Rec. depart-

ment is maximizing the size of the ball fields, which was requested by community members at a previous public meeting. "The softball fields - which are also available for adult permitted use - we are trying to maximize as much as possible. What we did is looked at what would happen if we pushed them out as far as possible and kept them in equal size - which would be 235 feet [as far as the distance to the outfield]."

Another important aspect of Phase Two is the dog park, which will be the "largest fenced dog park in the city of Boston," stated Beuttell. The dog park will include 5,200 square feet of space for small dogs, and 14,600 square feet of space for large dogs. "It will be about a half an acre in total," remarked Beuttell. Amenities for the dog park include a three gate access system, a shared shade structure, trash receptacles, leash posts, and "water fountain doggy dishes".

After the project overview and presentation, the Baker-Eclipse and Beuttell opened the floor for questions, comments and concerns from meeting attendees. One community member asked if there will be physical fitness equipment for adults at the park. Baker-Eclipse explained that at previous meetings, neighbors stated that they wanted to keep the park equipment on the "artsy and playful side", so Smith Playground will not include adult physical fitness equipment. But it will include physical exercise structures geared towards older children and "adventurous adults", such as artsy climbing structures.

"Are the fields made of turf?" Asked another community member. Baker-Eclipse remarked that

they will not be made of turf, the fields will be real grass.

"Will there be bathrooms on the premises?" Questioned one meeting attendee. Beuttell and Baker-Eclipse explained that they may include porta-potties, but the Boston Parks and Rec department is reluctant to install real bathrooms since it could "create and unsafe environment".

A community member stated that they believed four baseball and softball fields was "excessive", and would rather see a tennis court or volleyball court. This community member also believed the softball and baseball fields were "useless" and believes they will be used more by adult leagues rather than community members from Allston and Brighton. Another meeting attendee argued that this wouldn't be the case, since the ball fields would be heavily utilized by local little league teams.

"Community input is an important piece of this process," stated Baker-Eclipse. Another community meeting regarding Phase Two of the Smith Playground will take place sometime next month. For input or questions regarding the Smith Playground project, email Cathy Baker-Eclipse at cathy.baker-eclipse@boston.gov.

Correction

In last week's issue of the Bulletin, Bellevue Hill Improvement Association Member Ginny Gass' name was spelled incorrectly as "Gas." We apologize for the error.

Letters to the Editor

REGARDING CLIMATE CHANGE

To the Editor:

Mr. Shurtleff's letter accusing your reporter, Mary Ellen Gambon, of being complicit in what he describes as the deceptions of climate change science requires a reply. In fact, the very science that made it possible for him to type and send a letter electronically is the same science that tells us humanity is changing Earth's climate. Indeed, the science of climate change is as old as the science of electronics. It has been established for over 150 years that CO2 has loose molecu-

lar bonds that absorb and then re-emit the radiant energy that we experience as heat reflected from the sun rays that strike Earth. With the vast quantities of CO2 humans have been producing by burning fossil fuels we are causing more heat to be retained in the atmosphere, much of which is then absorbed by the oceans. This increase in energy is rapidly upsetting the climate balance in ways that disrupt the natural systems our civilization depends on. There is abundant evidence of these changes in the extreme weather events, droughts, and floods that are oc-

curing with increasing frequency around the world. Indeed, the increase in heat is forcing more change such as the melting of vast areas of permafrost, which is resulting in massive releases of an even more powerful greenhouse gas - methane - which creates even faster change. It is not clear how humanity will deal with the resulting social, economic, political, and agricultural stresses that will come with climate change; indeed, there is good reason to be very worried. As for Hal's claims that his "friends" can set the record straight, readers should know that they were discredited long ago in the scientific community and have little or no credible peer-reviewed research on climate change to bolster their denial of this well established science.

Alan Wright
Roslindale

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BMS Paper plans to add 148 unit residential building and grocery

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Mr. Bob Harrington, owner of BMS Paper on Washington Street, said he wants to expand, stay in business and employ more local people.

He came to the January 13 Stonybrook Neighborhood Association meeting to explain how: by building a six story, 148-unit apartment building with a grocery store behind and above his brick paper products and bulk food emporium.

"I'm not moving one day," Harrington told the 30 people at the meeting. "I'm not changing for a second."

I want to stay here," he said. "I came out first before the letter of intent. I don't want surprises."

This is unique for me, owner and developer. But I want to stay and expand. I have 14 employees, all local. I want to triple that."

Harrington, his operations manager Bryan Choate, architect David O'Sullivan and consultant Chris Tracy came to SNA as part of the now obligatory schedule of neighborhood meetings including abutters, Union Avenue, Lourdes Avenue and lately KeepIt100Egleston that steps in to argue for deeper



Elevation showing commercial entrance and relation to Pine Street building at left at the old BMS Paper building.

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affordability.

BMS began on Stonley Road in 1987 as a wholesaler of bulk paper products for restaurants and institutions. It moved to the long, two-story brick former Sintered Metals fabrication foundry at 3380 Washington St. about 1991, and expanded into retail paper products, restaurant supplies, bulk canned and packaged food and cleaning products.

The biggest clients are restaurants, Harrington told The Bulletin the next day in his office.

"Community Servings is also a customer," he said.

Jon McCurdy, co-chair of SNA, said he first heard about the proposal from Harrington when he went shopping at BMS for the Dec. 9 SNA holiday party, "Bob started telling me about it, rolling out plans, and I invited him to meet with us," McCurdy said.

Consultant Chris Tracy introduced the BMS team and outlined the plans.

"It's a two-acre site of four parcels," he said. "The plan is six stories, 148 units with a restaurant and more retail.

There will be 64 two-bedroom and 51 one-bedrooms, 35 studios and eight two-bedroom units."

"We've met with abutters on all sides," Tracy said. "We plan on filing a letter of intent in the next couple weeks. There will be a BPDA large project review."

It's a complicated, Z-shaped lot tight against the Pine Street building with a shared entrance drive and, at the rear, a steep slope below the scattered Forest Vale apartment complex on Forest Hills Street.

Architect O'Sullivan described the housing plan.

"It sits behind Pine Street," he said. "Adjacent to Pine Street and the Eversource transformer yard. There's quite a bit of grade change, 50 feet."

"We want to keep the old building," O'Sullivan said. "It's an important part of the streetscape. We'll rehab that building; it's the heart of the development."

O'Sullivan said the building is 76 feet high and the sixth floor will be set back from Washington Street. There will be 148 parking spaces and 34 affordable units. 3380 Washington Street will be a combination of retail and residential.

The second floor above the old BMS building will be a community room. The loading dock will be inside the building with access from the shared entrance drive.

Harrington is proud of the community room. "This is a community space for the residents," he told The Bulletin. "It's up front facing Washington Street. It would have a restaurant; room for 15 to 80 people. Sort of to replace Doyle's." There will also be a second community room with a roof deck on the third

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WFHNG members pose for a photo with the local firefighters from Engine 48 Ladder 28.

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Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

On Monday, Jan. 20, Marcia Kimm, co-chair of the West Fairmount Hill Neighborhood Group (WFHNG), convened a group of community leaders at the Coffee Break coffee house to share their dreams for Hyde Park in the spirit of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The nine people present shared a snapshot of their life stories, each showing their Hyde Park history through a different lens. Some encountered various forms of prejudice, while all currently are working to celebrate the neighborhood's diversity and dreams through their respective group's activities.

What transpired over the course of the conversation was the impromptu formation of "Together 02136." The leaders agreed to share their experiences to strengthen their neighborhood through joint volunteer efforts.

"Having been in Hyde Park for half of my adult life, I really have an appreciation for the sense of community that we ought to share," Kimm said. Although she knows what she is doing in her corner of Fairmount Hill, she wanted to learn about others' efforts.

Kimm said she decided to hold the first annual event so that everyone could have a "stake in the ground" about celebrating King's life and how his impact reflects on Hyde Park today.

"We are all living his legacy," she stressed, because King "created a voice for everybody" and "attitudes that have shifted about who is important and who's not."

Kimm and her husband, Wyatt Jackson, moved to the neighborhood at the base of Fairmount Hill about 25 years ago. But each had a history here before. Jackson's father worked at the Red Dot factory, while Kimm would visit the tennis courts and the Stop & Shop and look for a house to purchase.

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter," Kimm said, quoting King.

"My vision for Hyde Park is A. for Hyde Park to find its voice and B. for Hyde Park to use its voices," Kimm added.

Jackson recalled when his family would pick his father up after work to go home to Roxbury, when it was "a very different Hyde Park."

"My father was a WWII veteran, so he had something in common with the people who settled in this area," Jackson said. "He would do his banking here and he would shop here."

When Jackson moved here, he understood his dad's affection for the community, which reminded him "of old Boston, with everything in close proximity" like the movie theater and shopping.

In this age, he added, people need to bring themselves together to work on projects to revitalize Hyde Park. One project he mentioned was the theater.

Jim Kirker, president of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA), said it has been his decades-long dream to see the restoration of the Everett Theater as a performance arts venue. He had worked on the project earlier, but it never gained momentum.

"I've always used this theater as the centerpiece," Kirker, a former freelance musician, said. "This area could be the arts center of Boston - Clearly/Logan Square."

Kirker, a Providence native, envisioned different music festivals for blues, folk and jazz. They would serve as a catalyst to "help the business district bloom."

Hyde Park native Helena Tonge, chair of the Belnel Family Neighborhood Association, talked about her family's experiences in Hyde Park "for second- and third-generations."

"We grew up in an era where we were required to do civic duty," she said, "whether it was in the church or in the community."

Her first volunteer experience in the political realm was with Mel King.

"I remember being chased by dogs," Tonge said. "It was crazy. But it was the work. It was the vision."

She continues living her vision for a better Hyde Park through her neighborhood association. Her "boots on the ground" strategy recently led to the postponement by the Licensing Board on Jan. 15 for Burger King to open an establishment until 2 a.m. at the Shops at Riverwood.

Thien Simpson, executive director of Hyde Park Main Streets, came to Boston as a refu-

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thing that's onerous, you probably don't want to join us, but if you're looking for something fun in your community, come join us."

The WRMS "Westie" awards included five categories, including the Favorite Tasting Award, which highlights the winner of the 2019 Taste of West Roxbury. This year the winner was the owner of Porter Café, Paul Murphy. The next award was for Most Improved Frontage, going to Ashmont Cleaners' Andrew Kouris. Sugar Bakery took the Innovation Award for their Bramble Day, which highlighted a much-loved staple of the West Roxbury Community. Owners Aaron Battite, Chris Kure and Baker Lynn Bruno accepted the award.

The next Award was for Business Achievement, and went to Recreo Coffee's Miram Morales and her family.

"We wanted to celebrate their five year anniversary in the district this past year and the fact that they were ranked the number one coffee shop in Massachusetts by Yelp," Robinson said. "Another achievement for Recreo this past year is that they actually won the Mayor's Garden Contest for their patio, which is a citywide contest, so we're excited to award them tonight."

The next award was for Community Stewardship, which Robinson said he originally named the good neighbor award. The award went to Davis and Sawin Florist, owned by George Sawin. The Florist hosts Good Neighbor Day when they give out 833 dozen roses to local fire, police and EMS.

"We've been doing Good Neighbor Day since 1998. One Good Neighbor Day was on the original 9/11, and on that day, Mayor Menino was with us," Sawin said. "The events of that day made for a day of prayer and a day of shock, of course, but it became a way

of comforting our neighbors ever since."

While West Roxbury has many artists and residents interested in art, there has not been an event like Open Studios in the past to highlight the work of these artists. Robinson said that is going to change this May.


"A new program we're going to be launching this year is the West Roxbury Art Walk, and we're really excited about it," said Robinson. "This will take place from May 1 to May 10, and we're going to do that in cooperation with Massachusetts Art Week. That is in its third year, and last year they had Mass Art programs in 130 communities across the state."

Robinson said that Lisa Mariotti from Brookline Bank in West Roxbury actually reached out to the Highland Street Foundation, which runs the Art Week, and got West Roxbury on the docket for this year.

"The opportunity is to service artists in our community while also drawing attention to the Main Streets District itself and businesses that people may not often notice," Robinson said. "It's a great way to serve our mission and the artists."

Robinson said there is a tentative date for an artist reception at Brookline Bank on May 8, but nothing has been confirmed just yet.

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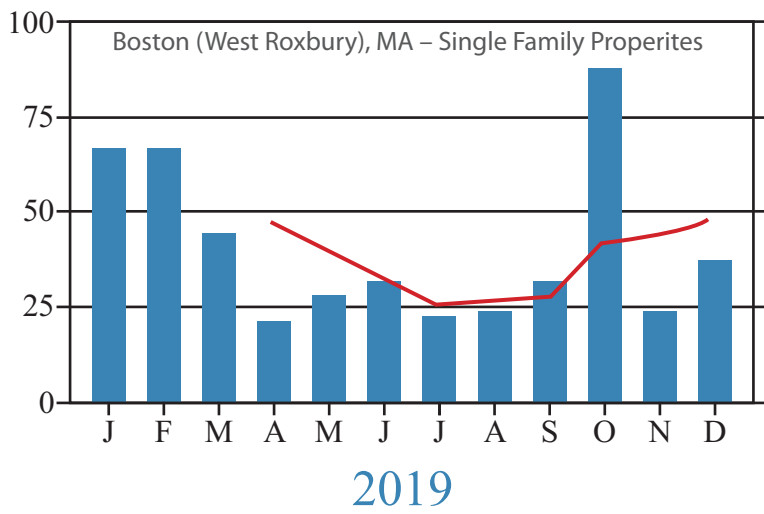
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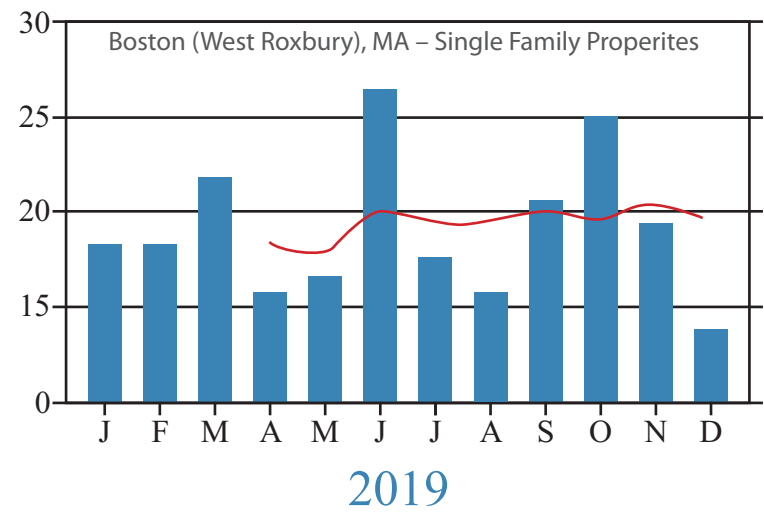
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Roxbury Prep opponents to voice objections at next ZBA hearing

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Bellevue Hill Improvement Association (BHIA) announced recently that its membership will be heading to the ZBA on Jan. 28 to voice opposition to the Roxbury Prep High School planned for 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

BHIA President Ginny Gass said they want to make sure the ZBA is aware of the neighborhood opposition to the project, which has been on the table now for years.

“For more than three years, the BHIA has expressed widespread community opposition to Uncommon Schools’ Roxbury Prep Belgrade Avenue LLC, a large high school project that Uncommon wants to squeeze onto a postage stamp sized lot at the gateway to West Roxbury,” she said. “Neighborhood groups and elected officials have been working to make sure that concerns of traffic and public safety, zoning and improper land grants are considered by city officials.”

According to Roxbury Prep Representative Bruno Tedeschi, the school will be asking for a deferral at the upcoming hearing because they have not had a vote from the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA), which was the subject of a protest outside the most recent BPDA Board meeting last

Thursday.

“This week, our scholars took final exams and today, right after those, we headed here. But we should not be here,” said Shradha Patel, Roxbury Prep High School’s founder. “We should be reviewing data and getting ready for AP Exams in May. We are all supposed to be inside right now, at the BPDA meeting.”

About 100 students and teachers protested outside of City Hall on Thursday.

“The people inside this building have the power to put this unjust situation to rest,” said Yinessa Baez outside of City Hall. “They have the power to see us, to hear us... This isn’t fair and this isn’t right. As children of color, society already attempts to silence us and put us at a disadvantage. On behalf of 1,500 students, please, see us. Give us the opportunity that every other project in Boston gets”.

Gass said she and the opposition are also looking for a decision from the BPDA.

“During this time, however, BPDA has not acknowledged opposition,” she said. “Thus, the project appears to remain in limbo. Concerned citizens are encouraged to join us at the January 28 Zoning Board of Appeals hearing where we will continue to voice opposition to this real estate project.”

The project is set for 361

Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale on the West Roxbury line on the corner of the West Roxbury Parkway. Opposition to the project also came from the Greater Belgrade Neighborhood Association, which has stated in the past that the project is too large for the property, and would cause traffic problems. The school plan calls for more than 500 students and about 60 teachers (with parking for the teachers) and school representatives have said repeatedly they will not allow students to drive to school and would encourage them to take the T, either by bus or through the nearby Bellevue Hill Commuter Rail Station.

Opposition groups have stated repeatedly that they do not believe students will not drive or not be dropped off by their parents, and make an intractable situation at the West Roxbury Parkway even worse. This, combined with several other developments approved in the immediate or nearby area would make traffic an insurmountable problem in the neighborhood.



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gee from Vietnam. While she said she has not experienced overt discrimination, she has seen what her husband has gone through and the attitudes her children experience as being biracial.

“I know from my husband’s stories – because he grew up in Mattapan – that ‘we never crossed that bridge to go to the other side. If you do, you are taking your life at risk.’”

Things are different with her children, Simpson said. But they are facing a completely different word from her generation.

“With this generation, everybody is, they’re so open,” she said. “They understand the LGBTQ situation. It’s good that they’re growing up in an era that is more welcoming and more open.”

Her dream is to have more events like this, and to have more open dialogues.

Scott Batey, president of the Hyde Park Board of Trade, has lived in the community since 1990 and credits himself as being part of the first gay couple to move to Hyde Park.

“This neighborhood is so misunderstood,” he said. “People who have lived here forever still misunderstand it.”

He referenced The Boston Foundation study, which he said showed Hyde Park as the third most diverse neighborhood in the city.

Batey’s “biggest challenge” is bringing people of color onto community boards.

Lynda Wallack of the Grew

Park Neighbors came to Hyde Park 18 years ago.

“I’m single, straight, white and old,” she deadpanned. She worked with her neighbors on noise control, spreading flyers in English, Spanish and French. She is currently working on resurrecting the dog park and upcoming development issues.

“I would like to see more responsible growth and entertainment,” Wallack said. “What I do like about it is the sense of community.”

Nathaniel Thomas said he “has the reverse thing” happen to him. Although he has great-great-grandparents in Hyde Park, he feels like he is being forced out.

“A lot of people look at me like I’m some young bastard living in my family’s house,” Thomas said. “But I came here to buy a home and raise my family. You don’t see a lot of families in Boston anymore.”

“But I came over here, and I saw kids on bikes,” he continued. “Kids of all different races on the basketball court and the tennis court together.”

After the meeting, WFHNG members traveled to the fire stations in Hyde Park and Readville and the Area E-18 police station. They delivered poster-sized cards made by a kindergarten 2 class, a plaque from the association and homemade cookies from parents.

“This was a surprise to me,” said Lt. Marc Johnson at the Hyde Park fire station. “It’s a nice gesture from the community that we really appreciate. It was great.”

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Michael J. PhD of West Roxbury and Harwich, passed into eternal rest on January 3, 2020. Beloved son of the late James and Marion (Myers) Dempsey. Beloved cousin and friend of many. Dr. Michael Dempsey was a former faculty member at Catholic Memorial School for 28 years. After graduating from CM in 1975, Dr. Dempsey earned his bachelor's degree at Catholic University. He taught at Bishop Hendricken in Rhode Island before returning to CM in 1985. During his time as a faculty member, Dr. Dempsey served as the Theology Department Chair, Social Studies Department Chair, Moderator of the National Honor Society, and taught theology, social studies, English, and philosophy. He earned his doctorate at Providence College and served as an assistant professor at Boston College and Emmanuel College. A Funeral Mass was held on Tuesday, January 21st at St. Theresa's Chapel. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In

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—S.G.H.

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LEVY



Nancy (Welch), of Cotuit formerly of West Roxbury and Jamaica Plain, died unexpectedly on January 12, 2020. Soulmate of her husband Sumner Levy. Loving mother of Shannon Teles and her husband Claudiney of Dedham. Devoted and proud grandmother of Lucas, Leo and Oliver Teles. She was adored by her family and many friends. Nancy was a master of connecting with people. She had the ability to make you feel special, cared for and listened to. Nancy loved to tell a good story, and even more so to hear one. She was a true giver, of her time, affection and thoughtful gifts. We know she was greeted at the pearly gates by her beloved dogs, Monty and Willie. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday January 25, all family and friends are welcome to join to share memories (please contact family for further details). In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Nancy's memory to the Cotuit-Santuit Civic Association P.O. Box 121 Cotuit, MA 02635, who put on one of her favorite annual traditions "Christmas in Cotuit". Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

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LEE

Mee Fong Of Boston, passed away peacefully on January 14, 2020 at the age of 92. Born in China and immigrated to the US in the 1950s. She lived in Boston for over sixty years, where she and her husband, Allen, raised their family. She is survived by her daughter Rita of Jamaica Plain, son George of Roslindale and his wife Ngei, granddaughters Christina and Jennifer and her husband Frank, great-grandson Michael, and son Ed of Franklin and his wife Caren, and granddaughter Stephanie.

A Funeral Services was held at the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY on Saturday, January 18. Service and procession to Forest Hills Cemetery at 12:00 pm. Donations may be made in Mee's memory to South Cove Manor at Quincy Point, 288 Washington St., Quincy, MA 02169. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home. 617-323-5600

LETOURNEAU

Regina Age 68, of Roslindale, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully on January 1, 2020, after a year-long fight with brain cancer. She is survived by her three children, Paula Stano, Anthony Stano, Jr., and Gina Snow. She is also survived by her grandson Jordan Viches and her beloved ex-husband and good friend Tony Stano, Sr. There will be a Celebration of Life at the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM, on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 1-5pm. Relatives and friends kindly invited. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to www.stano.org a nonprofit founded by her daughter Paula.

Miracle Prayer

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

—S.G.H.

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—S.G.H.

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floor for the residents.

The present metal warehouse at the rear will be razed first, Harrington said, and a new commercial building built.

"This will expand BMS services," he said. "Bulk sales as well as groceries. A deli counter, a pharmacy, a meat counter; we would lease out those spaces. We already have food sales so we have experience with that. We'll have new 14,000 square foot retail, grocery and wholesale in the new addition and a warehouse in back. I want this as a community store."

Four stories of residential apartments will be built behind the current BMS building and the grocery addition with a separate entrance. A six story residential building at a right angle will be built against the slope below Forest Vale.

The retail, wholesale and grocery will have its own entrance near the Stanley tow office. There will be 13 parking spaces at that side.

Harrington has had conversations with Pine Street Inn; he admits they share a very snug property line.

"They're building right up to the property line," he said.

He said he needs more information from the Forest Vale Apartments management because of the building location. The top floor of the BMS residences will be 20 to 24 feet above the slope. There will be a 20-foot green buffer around the property to soften the edge of the Eversource property and the Forest Vale slope.

Harrington told The Bulletin that he talked with Pine Street long before going public to describe his plans. He said he would soon talk with people from Union Avenue, Lourdes Ave and KeepIt100Egleston.

Lyndia Downie told The Bulletin that Pine Street has "talked with Bob on a regular basis."

"We're eager to work with him and see what this project looks like once he has gone through the community process."

The Union Avenue Neighborhood Association did not respond for comment.

Fred Vetterlein lives on Union Avenue and complained that the "elevation just doesn't fit and the design needs changing."

"Pine Street made significant changes to their design," Vetterlein said. "But it's really tall. That's a big mass. Six stories is so close to our neighborhood. Union Avenue is reviewing a five-story hotel on the Stanley tow lot. They want it reduced to four."

Bowing to community pressure, Pine Street/TCB reduced its building by one story at a loss of 33 units of housing.

Overall, SNA was excited about the project. Brad Cohen of Rossmore Road seemed to sum up for the majority.

"I'm so glad you're doing this project," he said. "I've liked you ever since I first walked in your store. It's great that you're staying. It's rare that someone who owns property is willing to stay."

"I'm very excited to hear about the grocery store," Cohen said. "It seems like you're on the right track. It's critical you're preserving the building; it keeps the old JP character."

The usual SNA subcommittee was formed to review the 3380 Washington Street residences and commercial building and report back next month.

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O'CONNOR

Joan M. In Plymouth, formerly of West Roxbury, January 17, 2020. Beloved daughter of the late Daniel W. and Dora (Sullivan) O'Connor. Dear sister of the late Daniel P. O'Connor and his late wife Natalie. Best friend of the late Elizabeth Gaffney. Loving aunt of Michael, Daniel, Caroline and Paula. Great-aunt of Shane, Jessica, Sean, Corey, Kaitlyn, Alicia, Colin, and Hannah. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, January 22nd at St. Theresa of Avila Church. Interment Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Joan worked for 35 years with The First National Bank of Boston. She enjoyed many summers with her best friend Betty Gaffney in

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SERINO


Frederick J. Of West Roxbury, January 18, 2020. Beloved husband of the late Jean (Maguire) Serino. Loving father of John F. Serino and his wife Susan of San Diego, CA, Sheila T. Greally and her husband Joseph of Hampton, NH, Nancy L. DeSouza and her husband Mark of Bedford, MA, and the late Robert G. Serino. Loving brother of Ernest of Winthrop, Anthony and his wife Marie of Peabody, and the late Joseph, Mario, Pompie and Nancy. Good friend and "adopted" daughter of Ginna

Coen. Loving uncle of Joseph, Daniel and his wife Janet, and Janice LaPointe. Also survived by many other loving nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, January 24, at 9:00am. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in St. John Chrysostom Church, at 10:00am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours Thursday, January 23, from 4-8pm. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Late WWII Navy Veteran. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Robert's memory to The Bedford VA Hospice. www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home. 617-323-5600

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Day of Service *continued from page 1*

the city to help residents looking for work find a job. Those organizations include but are not limited to the Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation, New Bostonians, Pine Street Inn, the Cambridge Community Center, the Boston Public Schools and the Community Academy of Science and Health.

Hamilton said additionally that students and volunteers created several murals for the day that will hang in the Boston Latin School and other BPS schools throughout the district. Hamilton said the entire day was a great deal of fun too.

“It’s a great way to celebrate, to think about Dr. King and his legacy and particularly the importance of community and coming together,” she said.

While this was going on, King’s daughter Bernice King was speaking in Atlanta, saying that her father’s day has become a day of service throughout the country, and said that while the focus of MLK Day has been historically that of a day off, the country needs a

“day on”.

“Since the inception of the national holiday in honor of my father, there has been a day on and not a day off,” she said. “A day on is not enough. What we need is a light on, committed to working vigilantly to build the beloved community. A light on encompasses a commitment not just to service but to systemic change as well.”

Many student volunteers said they came out to this event because they had required community service hours, but all of them said they chose this day of service because of Dr. King’s legacy and commitment to bettering communities.

Student and AmeriCorps Boston member Max Hornung said he had not volunteered at this particular event before but he was amazed at the turnout and dedication.

“We chose this site because it’s amazing to see everyone come together and work,” he said. “I mean I think Dr. King for me, the day of service and honoring King is important because he did so much for us, both moving forward to a more equitable community and remembering what it was like for him and his supporters when he was alive. I mean, now everyone thinks he’s great, which is good, but we could do more to understand the complex history. But overall I really think this is cool. I haven’t worked with Boston Cares before, this is crazy.”

Volunteer for AmeriCorps Blair Dixon said they do this

kind of work often, and so it just seemed like a good fit.

“A lot of it aligns with what our organization does because we do college access and we thought it would be relevant and fun,” she said.

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority representative Kathy Lucas said their organization does a day of service every year, but this was special.

“It’s Martin Luther King Day, come on!” she said. “This is our eighth year doing it with Boston Cares. This is an annual event for us. We’ve been in Boston for 94 years as an organization and 112 as a total organization, and so everyone here is active in volunteering. It’s a lot of fun, and two hours into it, we’re still here!”

Volunteers Taufiq Dahnani and Naail Ali came representing the Ismaili Community Engaged-in Responsible Volunteering (ISCERV), a religious organization dedicated to volunteering and service in the community.

“I think MLK Day, it feels good to do good celebrating MLK,” he said.

“This is my first year doing this, but the organization has been volunteering here for five years,” Ali said. “It’s a really good way to give back to the community, help out and appreciate all the things other people and organizations do.”

For more information and how to volunteer with Boston Cares, go to BostonCares.org.

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was built in 1899, and I said we’ve got to start a centennial fundraiser to celebrate the library. So after two or three years of fundraisers, Menino came along and suggested it was time to expand the library.”

Vieira said they broke ground on the addition in 1997, aiming for an opening for the same time the library originally opened in September of 1899 (Sept. 1999), but because of construction delays that occur frequently in projects like that, they had to open it and dedicate in Jan. of 2000, which makes this weekend the perfect time to celebrate the renovation.

“We’re bringing together the original architectural team and we’re bringing together other players from the BPL management staff who were involved and we’re going to do a kind of ‘how we built this’ kind of thing,” he said. “The 20th anniversary seemed like a good time to do it. It’s been about two or three months of planning, and it’s been very informal as far as a planning process.”

Vieira said two daughters of former staff members who passed away several years ago are coming to share their parents’ research on the history of the library.

“I think there will definitely be a sufficient number of people there who are interested in continuing the history of the Hyde Park Library,” he said.


The original library, built in 1899, was the product of a popular design movement of the time, dubbed the Carnegie movement, named after Andrew Carnegie. While Carnegie did not have a personal hand in the design, his impact on libraries is well documented, and gives the U.S. the Roman and Greek-style architecture in libraries across the country. Vieira said the Hyde Park Library was originally heavily influenced by this.

“He was financing libraries all over the country and many of them took that Roman classical look to it and so we look like a Carnegie Library, even though we’re not,” he said. “We’re part of the legacy but not a Carnegie library specifically.”

The renovation and addition allows for a more modern feeling, both on the inside and out. Vieira said the interior was a big improvement, as the original building, for instance, was designed when electricity was in its infancy as a utility, and many large rooms only had one outlet. Now, there are outlets everywhere. The addition also utilized modern glass designs offering feelings of air and openness to the library, not felt so much in a Victorian building.

“The architect once referred to the expanded building as his little jewel box sitting on the dressing table (original building) of the Dowager Countess,” Vieira said.

For more information, go to FriendsHPLibrary.org.



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Public Meeting

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365 Western Avenue

Wednesday, January 29
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Project Proponent:
365 Western Ave, LLC

Project Description:
The Small Project Review Application filed by 365 Western Ave, LLC (the “Proponent”) proposes to revitalize a currently underutilized site that is a commercial property with a car wash onsite. The Proposal is to provide quality housing with ample parking for families and young professionals. It will also improve the area’s streetscape. The lot is 15,000 sq. ft. on the corner of Western Ave and Telford St. The Proposal will contain 65 units with 27-37 (37 with stackers) garage parking spaces.

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that the Census is the largest statistical agency in the country.

The survey is important to count everyone, even babies, because that is how the number of seats is determined in the House of Representatives. The population also determines how districts are drawn.

Consequently, funding for everything from schools and roads to Section 8 to food stamps is determined by the Census, Marquez added. When paper and online Census forms are not filled out, workers are needed to take the Census directly to people's homes. Marquez said this is where job opportunities exist for residents to earn \$27.50 per hour visiting people directly. People can work from 10 to 40 hours per week. Go to census.gov for more informa-

tion.

"Communities benefit when everyone is counted," Honan added. "State and federal funding for schools, roads, affordable housing and other necessary programs is based on census numbers, so every resident counts."

Ky'Ron Owens, Communications Director from the City's Emergency Management Department, explained how vital it is to be prepared for an emergency situation. The City has resources available, including an app to alert residents of when an emergency is occurring, how to prepare an emergency kit, and where the location is of the nearest emergency shelter.

"I can't tell you how many times there was an emergency, and residents left with only their cell phone and their

keys," he said.

Cybersecurity and logistics trailers also fall under the department's purview, he explained. His department also briefs City leadership in an emergency.

"If there was an agency where there was a need for mutual aid, we would provide that mutual aid," Owens said.

For more information, go to boston.gov/departments/emergency-management

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than riding the bus and talking to your neighbors."

For Hyde Park Avenue, the varying width of the street presents serious problems for a dedicated bus lane, but Moran said they are working with community and neighborhood organizations to figure out what methods could be used to reduce traffic and increase bus reliability.

"We've had really good feedback from the majority of those civic association meetings and I'm really excited about what this will be in the future," he said. "We will have an open house sometime in mid February and another in early spring to solicit public feedback."

He said bike lanes, safety improvements, TSP and queue jumping are all on the table, but nothing is yet set in stone. Or, more precisely, in asphalt.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU20P0092GD**
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: Sandra Walter RESPONDENT
Of: West Roxbury, MA Alleged Incapacitated Person

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Brigham & Womens Faulkner Hospital of Jamaica Plain, MA**

In the above captioned matter alleging that Sandra Walter is in need of a Guardian and requesting that
Adam Kaufman of Medway, MA
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00A.M. on the return date of 02/13/2020. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
January 15, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate *West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 01/23/2020*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU20P0093PM**
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: Sandra Walter RESPONDENT
Of: West Roxbury, MA (Person to be Protected/Minor)

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Brigham & Womens Faulkner Hospital of Jamaica Plain, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Sandra Walter** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that
Adam Kaufman of Medway, MA
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the 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 **02/13/2020**. 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.

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January 15, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate *West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 01/23/2020*

Public Meeting

Lenox Apartments

Saturday, February 1 | **The Church of Saint Augustine & Saint Martin**
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | 29-33 Lenox Street
Roxbury, MA 02118

Project Proponent:
Beacon Communities Services, LLC

Project Description:
Beacon Communities Services, LLC, proposes to undertake a substantial capital improvement program to preserve Lenox Apartments located at 136 Lenox Street in the Lower Roxbury neighborhood of Boston (the "Project Site"). The Project Site is comprised of 285 units across twelve (12) three-story residential walk-up buildings totaling 250,525 square feet that is currently owned and managed by the Boston Housing Authority (BHA). Beacon Communities capital improvement program will ensure the physical integrity of Lenox Apartments and its long-term viability to continue to operate as affordable housing.

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Public Meeting

NEXUS at the Allston Innovation Corridor, 250-280 and 305 Western Avenue

Wednesday, February 5 | **Joseph Fiorentino Community Center**
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | 123 Antwerp Street
Allston, MA 02134

Project Proponent:
King Street Properties

Project Description:
The proposed redevelopment program is anticipated to be anchored by the construction of approximately 514,900 square feet of office and research and development uses. These uses will be designed to accommodate research companies in the biotechnology and life sciences industry. The project is also anticipated to include approximately 21,900 square feet of ground floor retail uses, 40 residential units, and approximately 2,500 square feet of civic space.

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WE AREN'T THE ENEMY

To the Editor:

As someone who was active in the anti-Forced Busing movement, I did so because I believed that the federal government had overstepped itself and was treating opponents of forced busing as if they were hardened segregationists, which they weren't. Neither side was the enemy. In many ways, all were victims.

I believe the Fake News Media was conceived in this urban battle where our government pitted working class people against one another. I thought then and still believe now that the politics of certain members of the elected school committee at the time seemed to relish having different Boston neighborhoods yelling at each other rather than working together.

As someone who grew up in the South End and Lower Roxbury, my parents sent my brother and myself to Catholic school because they trusted the Sisters of St. Joseph over the Boston Public Schools where I was growing up.

Earlier in the '60s, I remember my support for the Civil Rights movement where all of us were supposedly equal under the law. It was harsh watching fire hoses and dogs unleashed on demonstrators, including children who were seeking their rights under the Constitution to vote, to work, to educate children etc.

If Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., were alive today, besides being very old, he would also know that certain struggles continue but that we are a better nation today from having fought yesterday's battles.

America isn't perfect and perhaps never will be because all of us are imperfect. The fight isn't over separating ourselves from each other or fighting and hollering at each other, it is about standing together as one people demanding individual liberty for all and an end to injustice where ever it rears its ugly head.

That is what I celebrated on the Dr. King Holiday. I met him as a 16 year old when he came to Boston for a march on April 22, 1965 on Boston Common. I remembered the connection made by him and this writer back when he was only 16.

We have come a long way in 55 years but we have much more to go.

Sal Giarratani
Roslindale

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

DOCKET No. **SU19P2832EA**

Estate of: Carol A. Cameron
Suffolk Division
Also Known As:
Date of Death: May 17, 2019

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Christopher Jon. Cameron of West Palm Beach, FL
A Will has been admitted to informal probate

Christopher Jon Cameron of West Palm Beach, FL
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

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. **479170**

Estate of: Margaret Tennant
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 03/15/1973

To all interested persons:
A Petition for S/A- Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by:

James C Tennant of Brighton, MA and William M Tennant of Brighton, MA
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 02/20/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 09, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 01/23/2020

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

SUFFOLK Division
Docket No. **SU20C0014CA**

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: Nicholas James Demarcus-Dadjou
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Nicholas James Demarcus-Dadjou of Allston, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Nicholas James Demarcus

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 01/31/2020. 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: January 10, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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

SUFFOLK Division
Docket No. **SU19D2367DR**

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Frederick Edmond Washington, Jr. vs. Madelin Rosario Melenciano Washington

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Frederick Edmond Washington, Jr., 200 Bayview Street, #2, Fall River, MA 02724 your answer, if any, on or before 02/20/2020. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
December 26, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court

Hyde Park Bulletin: 01/23/2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. **SU19P1869EA**

Estate of: Richard Marchi
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 02/22/2008

To all interested persons:
A Petition for S/A- Formal Adjudication Of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by:

Walter J. Rizzi of Lecanto, FL
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Walter J. Rizzi of Lecanto, FL
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate 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 02/21/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
January 10, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 01/23/2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN

DOCKET No. **SU17P2248GD**

RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person

In the Interests of: James Gately of West Roxbury, MA

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St
Boston, MA 02114

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **West Roxbury Health and Rehabilitation of West Roxbury, MA** in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of appointment. The original petition is on file with the 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 before: 10:00A.M. on the return date of **01/30/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to this 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 a written appearance you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: December 19, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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* PAW Patrol: <https://marlomarketing.egnyte.com/dl/4qp0jmsdfN>

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