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Hyde Park sees Sherrin Woods final design

Matthew Allen
Staff Reporter

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Hatch Marketing company came to the George Wright Gold Course Clubhouse in Hyde Park on Tuesday to showcase the final design for the Sherrin Woods Urban Wild project expected to be completed late next June.

Hyde Park Resident and Assistant Director of Southwest Boston Community Development Corporation Patricia Alvarez said that all community criticisms have been taken into consideration, with many of the requests influencing the final plan.

“I’m amazed,” Alvarez said. “It seems like they took every single concern and idea people had about this and implemented



Local residents gathered at George Wright Golf Course to go over improvements to Sherrin Woods.

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Over the summer, the second of the three preliminary inventory study meetings took place, part of which involved obtaining community feedback on what the new Sherrin Woods layout should look like.

it into the final design. I mean, there were so many different ideas from so many different people, and then you have to deal with the constraints of city funding and

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Council looking at emergency preparedness for major weather

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

As hurricanes Irma and Harvey have shown earlier this summer, coastal cities can be severely impacted by extreme weather events, and District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley called for a hearing last week to make sure the City of Boston is ready for any such event.

While O’Malley said the city itself has been lucky so far, he felt it was only a matter of time before a major storm came Boston’s way. He said the current trend of multiple “once-in-a-hundred-year” weather events has him deeply concerned.

“A little more than a month



District 6 City Councilor
Matt O’Malley

ago I stood in this hall with all of you introducing a different type of hearing order and I remarked that in the past seven

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Fifth Annual Community Fun Day held at Martini Shell



Kids at the 5th Annual Fun Day – held at the Martini Shell Park – play a super-sized version of Connect Four. The good time put on by the Fellowship Christian Church (1415 Hyde Park Ave.) drew large crowds of children and adults throughout the day.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

On Saturday, Sept. 16, the Fifth Annual Community Fun Day was held at the Francis D. Martini Memorial Shell Park from noon – 6 p.m.

Put on by the Fellowship Christian Church, it maintained a large, family friendly crowd that spread across the park to enjoy amusements, games, summertime food, and music throughout the day.

Pastor Jenkins stood tall near the center of the activities, casual and relaxed in shorts, blue Christian Fellowship Church 5th Annual Community Day t-shirt, and ball cap while regularly greeting members of his congregation (many who were wearing the same shirt) and other well-wishers.

He spent a few minutes talking about this growing third Saturday of September event.

“We feel that fun is important and community is important, so we bring those two



A Community Fun Day participant does a little victory dance after successfully pulling a piece (resting on the table) from a woodblock tower. Janee Jones and a teenage girl look on, amused. It all came crashing down a few moves later.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

together,” he said.

He shares a blessing with a woman who stops to say hello before explaining the timing of Fun Day.

“The kids are going back to school and if you’re a parent, it’s stressful,” he said. “You spend a lot of money on books

and going to Staples and all that, so what we try to do is just have one day where families can come together stress-free and it’s on us.”

Around Pastor Jenkins in addition to a large crowd are

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Factory Hill Neighborhood Watch focuses on recurring traffic concerns

Matthew Allen
Staff Reporter

The Factory Hill Neighborhood Watch group met at the Factory Hill Playground last Wednesday evening, where they discussed recurring traffic concerns, upcoming events and a disturbing increase in overhead airway traffic.

Besides speeding and the lack of appropriate signage in various areas of Hyde Park, one ongoing initiative is to reduce the flooding problems that have plagued Enneking Parkway for years. Hyde Park resident Scott Coeur said the installation of multiple culverts along the parkway is currently in the works.

“On the Enneking Parkway, to stop the flooding that occurs, there have been culverts installed every 50 yards to help the water pass through,” Coeur said. “It’s work that has been needed to be done for decades. Now, they’re shutting down River Street and the Dedham Parkway also.”

In addition to roadway concerns, traffic concerns for the community have now extended to the airspace above the neighborhood. Many group members brought up the issue that airway traffic over Boston – more specifically helicopters – appears to be increasing as of late. However, local police did not have any information to dispense on this matter.

In other Hyde Park news, the

150th anniversary is quickly approaching for the neighborhood, with people scrambling to come up with fitting ways to celebrate the milestone.

Lisa Consalvo – Chief of Staff for State Rep. Angelo Scaccia – said that a group has been formed for this very purpose, and is currently seeking out any and all suggestions.

“Next year is Hyde Park’s 150th anniversary, so, a group has been started to figure out what they want to do for it,” Consalvo said. “They had a meeting back in August, and they’re having their second on Sept. 27. This is basically just to throw out ideas.”

She went on to say that, at the moment, nothing about the celebration is set in stone.

“They really haven’t decided on what this is going to be yet,” Consalvo said. “They really want people of all areas of Hyde Park to get involved and throw out ideas, big or small. We have people saying they want fireworks, trains, and castles. Any idea is great.”

Other local efforts are also seeking volunteers, such as the “Keep Hyde Park Beautiful”

clean-up crew, which is alive, well, and expanding.

This anti-litter/conservation group focuses on efforts that can increase the appeal of the community. Founder Cathy Horn said that she started this group as a proactive approach to dealing with the piling up of trash in the neighborhood.

“Basically, I started this group because I got sick of seeing all the litter and I didn’t want to just whine about it anymore,” Horn said. “I put the word out about this group, and a few dozen people got involved. We’ve been meeting monthly now.”

Horn went on to say that they have many projects in the works and that they are always looking for more recruits to pitch in.

“We started a Facebook page, Twitter, Instagram, and are currently working on our website,” Horn said. “We have a lot of ideas for potential projects, but we want to get more people involved.”

The next Factory Hill Neighborhood Watch Meeting will take place on Oct. 11 at the Factory Hill Playground. From November to March, they will be at the E-18 Hyde Park Police Station.

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then putting it all together in a way where everyone’s concerns are met. I’m kind of amazed at what a great job they did.”

Some of the community feedback pertained to installing a stop sign at the corner of Austin and Marston Streets for traffic cooling, surrounding the grounds with a perimeter fence and finding ways to prevent dumping in the park grounds.

While the issue of dumping is always a concern for any wildlife habitat, it is nearly impossible to ensure that this will never take place. However, a \$5,000 penalty and strategically-placed cameras will be used to attempt to combat and prevent illegal dumping.

As said by Hatch Senior Project Manager Ginna Johnson, the hope for the cameras will not just be for law enforcement to use the video to track down perpetrators, but that it will also allow for neighborhood residents to participate in guarding the grounds. The camera’s feed will be publicly available on a website, to be created later, where anyone can monitor what’s taking place in Sherrin Woods.

“We love the idea of a website where you guys can check the live videos from these cameras,” Johnson said. “We think if you guys we’re able to do that it could be really effective. It’s unlikely someone will be staffed to monitor these videos 24/7, but you guys could.”

The perimeter fencing suggested over the summer is one element rejected due to it being a potential hazard to wildlife movement, however, a partial solution has been incorporated into the final layout involving fencing the corners and the trail heads of the site, and then using boulders as a type of perimeter fencing.

Now that the preliminary inventory studies are completed, the next phase commencing soon, expected to take around four weeks, is the design development portion which is essentially drawing up the agreed upon layout.

This stage will be followed by another eight-week phase to tweak design drawings and acquire proper permits for the actual construction phase.

If everything goes to plan, the new Sherrin Woods grand opening will be on June 30, 2018.

Alvarez says one of the last and more crucial elements left to carryout is getting those in Hyde Park involved in maintaining the final product to ensure its longevity.

“My big concern now is getting the neighborhood associations to work together to form a plan on how to maintain Sherrin Woods once it’s all done,” Alvarez said. “This includes keeping it clean, educating your neighbors on why not to dump and how to properly take care of the site. That’s going to be key moving forward.”



by Gregory Karr, CEO and Deborah L. McPhee, Comm. Relations

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As we all know, older adults face many obstacles (including frequent trips to the bathroom, insomnia, and sleep apnea) that stand in the way of a good night’s sleep. The good news is that addressing and treating these problems helps us feel more awake and alert during daytime hours. We also now know that during non-REM “deep sleep,” when we enter the non-dreaming restorative stage of sleep, our memories consolidate. So, when we are able to get the quality deep sleep that we need, our memory improves. Thus, it is important to adhere to a regular sleep schedule and not rely on sleep medications. Sedating the brain is not the way to get the benefits that natural sleep provides.

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•Meridian Academy	Boston	11-18 years (6-12)	Wed., October 18 & Mon., December 11: 6:50-8:30 pm	617-277-1118	meridianacademy.org
•Beaver Country Day School	Chestnut Hill	11-18 years (6-12)	Thurs., October 19: 7-8:30 pm ♦ Fri., Nov. 10: 8:15-11:30 am	617-738-2725	bcdschool.org
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•Waldorf High School of Mass Bay	Belmont	14-18 years (9-12)	Sat., October 21: 1-3 pm	617-489-6600	waldorfhighschool.org
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•Chapel Hill-Chauncy Hall School	Waltham	14-18 years (9-PG)	Sun., October 22 & Sun., November 5: 12:30-3 pm	781-314-0800	chch.org
•Dedham Country Day School	Dedham	4-14 years (PK-8)	Sun., October 22: 1-3 pm ♦ Thurs., Nov. 9: 8:30-10:30 am	781-329-0850	dedhamcountryday.org
•The Fessenden School	West Newton	4-15 years (boys PK-9)	Sun., October 22 : 1-3 pm ♦ Tue., Nov. 14: (PK-K) 6:30-8	617-630-2300	fessenden.org
•Shady Hill School-Lower School	Cambridge	4-10 years (PK-4)	Sun., October 22: 2-4 pm	617-520-5200	shs.org
•Shady Hill School-Middle School	Cambridge	11-14 years (5-8)	Tue., November 7: 7-9 pm	617-520-5200	shs.org
•The Woodward School	Quincy	11-18 years (6-12)	Sunday, October 22: 12-2 pm	617-773-5610	thewoodwardschool.org
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•Charles River School	Dover	4-14 years (PK-8)	Sat., October 28 and Sun., November 12: 2-4 pm	508-785-8213	charlesriverschool.org
•Concord Academy	Concord	14-18 years (9-12)	Sat., October 28: 9 am-1 pm	978-402-2250	concordacademy.org
•BB&N Lower School	Cambridge	4-12 years (PK-6)	Sat., October 28: 12-2:30 pm	617-800-2471	bbns.org
•BB&N Middle and Upper School	Cambridge	12-18 years (7-12)	Sat., October 28: 9-12 pm (US), 10-12 pm (MS)	617-800-2136	bbns.org
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Editorial

DATA DILEMMAS

Attorney General Maura Healey has filed the nation's first enforcement action related to a recent (and massive) data breach that struck credit reporting firm Equifax.

"We allege that Equifax knew about the vulnerabilities in its system for months, but utterly failed to keep the personal information of nearly three million Massachusetts residents safe from hackers," Healey said in a statement.

The breach, reported earlier this month, potentially compromised the personal information of 143 million consumers nationwide, including nearly three million of this state's consumers.

The AG's complaint, in Suffolk Superior Court, alleges that Equifax did not maintain the appropriate safeguards to protect consumer data in violation of Massachusetts consumer protection and data privacy laws and regulations.

Proving negligence, in this case, should be pretty much a slam dunk.

Equifax, according to the complaint, left private consumer information exposed to intruders by relying on certain computer code that it knew or should have known was vulnerable to exploitation. Hackers infiltrated Equifax's computer system through a "Dispute Portal." Think about that: a means for public complaint and concern proved the weak spot in the firm's cyber-defenses.

Why, aside from the local AG angle, are we so riled up about this?

If you suffer identity theft, a compromised credit card, or other cyber-security headaches, the cause is usually transaction-specific. Not to suggest that a victim is to blame, but "someone" did "something" via an online purchase, etc. Here, with Equifax, we see a grand intrusion into our personal business by an unwanted third party.

Yes, credit ratings have a role to play. All of us who ever plan to buy a car, home, or other major purchase will have the terms and interest rates dictated by our credit worthiness.

Increasingly, some companies are even trying to tie credit ratings to employment opportunities and hiring.

The reality, however, is that members of the public rarely "hire" a firm like Equifax. We do not ask them to collect our data. We don't ask for their opinion. We don't even have much of an opportunity to question their assessments.

Simply put, and frighteningly so, a private company you know very little about has an out-sized effect on your life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. You are nobody, unless they say you are somebody.

There are places where privatization is a great idea. Having a company act as a dumping ground for our most sensitive data is not one of them. We applaud Healey for her action, no matter how easy that decision was to make.

Our message to public officials: learn the lesson. We need them to step in where no one else can and be a cop on the beat for protecting the personal data that falls into private hands. We need the conversation about cyber-security to become one with the general public, not just a high-level, academic, and technical debate.

The state and city collect volumes of data about all of us. Like Equifax, we may not even start to comprehend the troves of personal data they have amassed. We have no doubt that local officials take the security of this data very seriously, but let's hear them tell us that, explain their protocols, and delve into contingency and enforcement plans.

It is a question of when, not if, a government data breach (federal, state, or local) will strike. Going after private firm breaches is important and necessary work, but we also need a critical eye watching the watchers. We deserve to know how prepared public officials are to protect us, even when their own data collection practices are what we need protection from.

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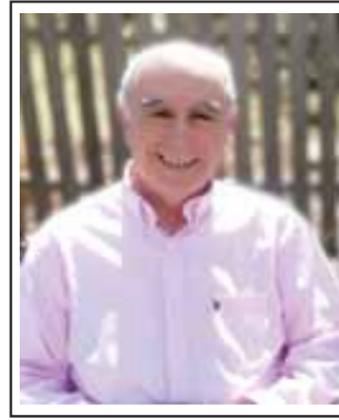
A time for ruing?

Boston gave up its opportunity to lure the summer Olympics here, and it also cancelled car racing that was to occur downtown.

I'm not sure how many people regret the loss of either, but there are some actions that seem fit for ruing.

It's too bad the Braves left town for Milwaukee and ultimately Atlanta. Philadelphia and St. Louis also used to have American and National League teams. How could we ever have let a team with the likes of Matthews, Spahn, Jethroe, and Burdette ever depart after the 1952 season? Easy, poor attendance. The Braves average home attendance that year was 3,653, while the Red Sox average was four times larger at 14,490, having won 12 more games. Every time the Mass Pike takes me by BU's Nickerson Field, I rue the Braves' departure to Wisconsin, but I understand it.

While the Big Dig was experiencing severe cost overruns, planners were reluctant to push through their idea of a North-South rail link, connecting North and South stations, even though they could have done it then for a fraction of the price it would cost today. Imagine how much downtown traffic would be mitigated by Amtrak and Purple Line trains from the north passing underneath. North Shore commuters could alight at South Station before heading to the Seaport District and other destinations. And South Shore com-



My Kind of Town/ Joe Galeota

muters would not reach the end of their line at Dewey Square.

Not too many Bostonians actually attend Patriot games in distant Foxboro. If the city had let Robert Kraft site the Patriots in South Boston or in Mattapan at the site of the former state hospital, more city people would be able to work as ushers and in concessions, and the name "Boston," not "New England," would precede "Patriots."

Yes, I know the road infrastructure of Morton Street, Blue Hill Avenue and Hyde Park Avenue, as we know now it, could not support the Patriots in 02126, unless Forest Hills Station on the Purple Line had been somehow involved in the mix, but . . .)

Drivers on the Jamaicaaway know the difficulty of staying in their narrow lanes without hitting huge trees on the right or oncoming traffic on the left. Decades ago there was a

traffic plan to have the Jamaicaaway one way inbound with three much wider lanes, and then outbound on the Brookline side of Muddy River but Brookline would never accept it. Every time there is a vehicular death on the Jamaicaaway, think about the one-way plan.

It is also worth regretting that the Commonwealth chose a beautiful piece of Franklin Park to build its two huge buildings of the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital. Frederick Law Olmsted must have turned over in his grave when the bulldozers savagely attacked a pristine piece of the Emerald Necklace.

One item that the city might soon rue is being a one-newspaper town. Having lost the Boston Post, the Boston Traveler, and the Boston Record-American, the city cannot afford to be a one-newspaper town. With the owner of the Red Sox now the owner of the Globe, any news about the residents living in the Fenway being justifiably upset by the noise, time extension, and expansion of the summer concerts on Yawkey Way is not reported.

And, yes, I do rue that Route 128/95 bisects a beautiful part of the Blue Hills by not having built a mile or so to the South; speaking of bisecting, it's too bad the Bussey Road does the same for the Arnold Arboretum.

Enough on ruing, or should we all take a deep breath and rue the departure of a wonderful summer.

Letters to the Editor

COME SUPPORT EFFORTS TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS

To the Editor:

In this time of obvious climate disruptions from overpowering storms, fires burning ferociously in the West, record-high temperatures across the country, and faster-than-predicted sea-level rises, we should be doing all we can to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and slow climate change.

The single most immediate and significant step that the city

of Boston can take to reduce our carbon emissions is to adopt Community Choice Energy (CCE), also called Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) in the more than 150 cities and towns in Massachusetts that have already embraced this initiative.

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To learn more about visit CommunityChoiceBoston.org.

Rickie Harvey

West Roxbury Saves Energy

COUNCILOR PRESSLEY'S AVOIDANCE

To the Editor:

I am a children's advocate and educate others about improving children's welfare. There is much evidence that early unrecognized

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Deaths

ABOUJAOUDE

Elias Of West Roxbury, formerly of the South End and Zahle, Lebanon passed peacefully on Sept. 11 surrounded by his loving family at the age of 91. Beloved husband of Fahima (Mina) of 52 years. Cherished son of the late George and Helen. Devoted father of Jocelyne Aboujaoude of Roslindale and George Aboujaoude and his wife Kathryn of Boston. Brother of the late Widad Charbel. Adoring "Giddo" of Makayla, Alanna and Elias and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. Visiting was held at the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, 22 Oak St., HYDE PARK. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church, 61 Rockwood St., Jamaica Plain. Interment was at Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Elias was the proud owner of the Cedars of Lebanon Restaurant in the South End for over 20 years. He continued his passion for cooking with his family every Sunday until the very end. Please, in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church, 61 Rockwood St., Jamaica Plain, 02130.

LANG

George H. Of Hyde Park, Sept. 12. Beloved husband of Elizabeth M. (McMahon) and dear father of Sharon M. Germano, and her husband John, of Dedham, and Gail S. Rubenstein, and her husband Barry, of Norwood. Dear brother of James B. Lang of New Hampshire, Ann "Nancy" Flaherty of Boston, Judith Lang, of Boston, Susan Abbott

of West Roxbury, and the late Geraldine Cronin. Loving grandfather of Christopher, Daniel, Michael, and Katherine Germano, and Jacob and Jessica Rubenstein. Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Anne's Church, 82 W. Milton St., Readville, MA 02136. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Anne's Church (address above) would be appreciated.

NORE

Samuel Of Boston, Sept. 11, age 88. Beloved husband of Irene (Dwyer). Devoted father of Albert of Weymouth, Samone Nore of Pennsylvania, Spencer of Pennsylvania and the late Sayhoun. Loving "Dada" of eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, in-laws and friends. Visiting hours was held at the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home 22 Oak St., HYDE PARK. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church, 61 Rockwood St., Jamaica Plain. Interment was at Mount Benedict Cemetery, West Roxbury. Please, in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to Our Lady of the Cedars Lebanon Church. For directions and guestbook please visit thomasfuneralhomes.com

WHALEN

Michael R. Of Roslindale, Sept. 15, age 46. Husband of Jill (Nassor) Whalen. Loving son of Thomas Whalen, Jr. and his late wife Sarah (Munichiello) of Roslindale. Devoted father of Shannon Whalen of Salem and Christo-

pher of Jacksonville, Fla. Cherished brother of Lisa Abdelnour of Roslindale and the late TJ. Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Funeral from the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, 22 Oak St., HYDE PARK, Thursday morning at 9, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Most Precious Blood Church, Hyde Park, at 10. Visiting hours were on Wednesday evening. Interment at St. Michael's Cemetery. Relatives and friends invited. For directions and guestbook please visit thomasfuneralhomes.com

WYCHE

Elizabeth G. (Edwards) Age 93 of Hyde Park, "Betty" as she was known by many and "Weegie" by her family, passed away peacefully at Park View Nursing Facility in Boston on Sept. 5, 2017. Betty worked and retired after 25 years for Honeywell in Brighton and later volunteered as a greeter for Carney Hospital in Boston. She enjoyed sewing, knitting and singing. She was a member of the Chapel Choir of Twelfth Baptist Church. She is survived by her nephews; Gene Edwards and Swade D. Jones of New Jersey and Chester Jr. of Georgia along with one niece, Debbie Jones of New Jersey, one surrogate niece Ethel Pinckney of Mattapan and a host of great-nephews and great-nieces. Memorial service was at Twelfth Baptist Church, 160 Warren St., Roxbury, MA 02119. To post a sympathy message visit www.DavisofBoston.com.

Senior Club News

COMMUNITY SENIORS

The Community Seniors meet the second Tuesday of the month at St. John's parish hall, 4740 Washington St., West Roxbury, at 12:30 p.m. New members welcome to join. For more information, call Phyllis at 617-364-2280

GO-GO SENIORS

Oct. 9: Turkey Train. Depart at 8:30 a.m. from the Shaw's Parking Lot In Hyde Park.

Feb. 3 – 13, 2018: New York to Eastern Caribbean Deadline for final payment is Nov. 12. Any information or concerns please call Joanne Freeman at 617-323-0071.

THE VILLAGERS

The Villagers of Roslindale meet on the first Tuesday of the month in St. John

Chrysostom Church Hall, 4740 Washington St., West Roxbury. The social hour is from noon to 12:45 p.m. with refreshments. Our Dues are paid annually and are \$10.00 per member. All inquiries, please call our President Diane Grallo @ 617-323-8654 or Jean Parrelli @ 617-325-4695

MIL-PAR

Our next Mil-Par Meeting is scheduled for Sept. 21 and will be a 50/50 meeting. Tickets for the Italian Party, which is scheduled for Oct. 19, will be sold at this meeting. Please call Sal Ferlito at 617-361-2845 if you are unable to come to the meeting so that he can order the appropriate number of lunches.

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Grateful thanks. —K.B.

St. Jude's Novena
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered.
In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.

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Dell Ave. residents address traffic issues



Hilary Croach speaks about traffic problems in his neighborhood as Tracy Litthcut, Bryan Flynn (Hyde Park Neighborhood Services Rep), and BPD Sergeant Dan MacDonald look on.

Amanda Webster

Staff Reporter

Residents of Dell Avenue in Hyde Park came together last week to discuss problems that they have recently been experiencing.

The meeting was led by Dell Avenue resident Hilary Croach, a member of the Dell Rock Neighborhood Association

Since September 2016, Dell Avenue residents have been facing several struggles regarding traffic and parking on their street. Last September, the street was resurfaced to fix a medley of potholes which Croach said the residents appreciated. But once the street was repaved, the road became a “speedway” for through traffic from Hyde Park Avenue to Central Avenue.

After the residents of Dell Avenue petitioned to have the road become a one-way, the city accommodated the request and the two-way traffic was halted beginning June of this year. The one-way traffic flows from Central Avenue toward Hyde Park Avenue.

Although the problem of speeding was resolved, Croach said a new problem has surfaced for the residents living along the street. He explained that the sidewalks on Dell Avenue are cobblestone and many of the residents park their cars on the sidewalk because otherwise, the street becomes too narrow to pass through when cars are parked on both sides of the street.

According to Croach, when the city inspected Dell Avenue to see if making the street a one-way would be feasible, the city discovered that the road had been designated as a public way in 2004. Public ways, in contrast to private ways, do not allow cars to park on sidewalks.

“In July, we started getting tickets for parking on the sidewalk,” Croach said.

According to Croach there are 17 houses along Dell Avenue and not every house includes a driveway.

“The issue for us is how can we be legal and still be passable,” he said.

PHOTO BY AMANDA WEBSTER

A major concern for residents is that if their cars are not able to park on the sidewalks, then emergency vehicles and plows in the winter will not be able to get through the road.

Rich Gargiulo of 29 Dell Ave. said that a lot of the parking congestion comes from individuals that do not live on Dell Avenue, but instead live along Hyde Park Avenue. He explained that the additional neighborhood vehicles make it difficult for the residents on Dell Avenue to find parking spots near their homes.

“Meanwhile you have people that are not residents parking on the other side of the road, narrowing the road to the point where FedEx trucks can’t make it past, garbage trucks can’t make it past and God help us if there is a fire or another serious situation,” Gargiulo said.

Tracy Litthcut of the Boston Transportation Department let the residents know that the city would be happy to look into solutions, but an agreed upon plan would need to be presented before any action could be taken.

“We’re not going to make any decisions for the community. We want the community to talk and then come to us with a plan,” he said.

After listening to the concerns of the residents, Litthcut suggested removing parking entirely from one side of the street.

“When you think about ‘What can we do?’ first thing that comes to mind is just no parking on one side of the street,” Litthcut said.

Croach said that another issue for the street is signage. When the street became a one-way, a singular sign was installed on the Hyde Avenue entrance. But Croach said more signage would be helpful.

“I’ve noticed people coming in appropriately on the Central Ave. side, like a delivery truck, and then making a U-turn and driving back down because there is nothing indicating that the street is a one-way,” he said.

Several Dell Avenue residents plan to meet in the upcoming weeks to brainstorm possible solutions before bringing the ideas to the street as a whole and then ultimately the city for approval.

several large, generator-driven inflatable amusements with long lines of little kids waiting to give them a try. According to the sign-in sheet for them, over 300 kids had put their names down over the course of a few hours.

Looking around Martini Park, Jenkins mused on this.

“It’s grown every year, but this is probably the biggest we’ve had,” Jenkins said.

The Community Fun Day starts planning sometime in June and then, in August, they send out 21,000 direct mail flyers throughout Hyde Park, Readville, and Milton. Rather than being a Church event, Community Fun Day is geared towards the local community at large.

In keeping with this theme, Jenkins also announced earlier in the festivities his plans for the Hyde Park Community Development Corporation (HPCDC). The goal of the HPCDC is to empower and assist the local community and plans are for it to kick off in earnest starting in 2018.

As Jenkins described it, “Today’s just a, ‘Hello! We’re here!’”

At the popcorn popper, there’s a small klatch of FCC t-shirt clad women at the controls or nearby. Alex, at the food stand for her third year, explained why she keeps coming back.

“The fellowship and being able to help the community, and being able to just open people’s minds to God and what God can do for the com-

Fun Day *continued from page 1*

munity,” she said. “And it’s just fun to see people coming up and getting free food and free fun.”

The smoke and smell from behind the popcorn stand billow and waft. The two grills are set up near the steps to the river behind them and Jake Jacobs – of Jake’s Boss Barbeque – is separating burgers and putting them on the grill, getting ready for the dinner rush. He’s been at it since late morning, working with a helper and also spending some time teaching the kids how to grill

“Hey, Father Time is catching up with me,” he said. “What do we say? Eat barbeque and die happy.”

From behind a wall of smoke, the barbeque Boss adds just one more thing.

“Hey! Got a new book came out in July called Pitmasters... Well, it’s Andy Husbands’ but I’ve got a big blow up in it,” he said.

Teenage girls are line dancing to the DJs instructions. A group of kids are playing catch at the bean bag toss, every now and then hitting the target. Some more are

playing a super sized connect four. Two men play checkers on a super sized 5 x 5 foot board spread out on the grass.

Adults sit around chatting. A woman with a Chihuahua, a very quiet teenage girl, and an extroverted small one work on delicately pulling building blocks without bringing the tower down, the small girl doing a little victory dance whenever she removes one without it crashing down.

The woman, Jane Jones, was invited by a client to attend. Although not a member of the Church herself, she half-jokingly thinks it over out loud.

“Hey, I might want to go,” she said. “It seems like they do a lot for the kids.”

The tower comes crashing down behind her.

Just before 6 p.m., Pastor Jenkins and his wife Kendra take the stage to offer a blessing and a closing announcement, before he looks to the DJ and makes a request.

“I thought you were going to play the ‘The Electric Slide’ one time for the old heads,” Jenkins said.

And so he does, and so they do.

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BOSTON BLOOMS WITH DAFFODILS PROGRAM RETURNS

"Boston Blooms with Daffodils" beautification initiative will distribute 20,000 daffodil bulbs this fall to volunteers for planting on public ways citywide.

The plantings will take place in approved locations along the City's public ways on the weekends of Oct. 28 and Nov. 4. Groups with approved planting locations will be contacted by the Parks Department and given bulb pick-up instructions and dates.

Individuals, civic associations, church groups, sports leagues, scout troops, open space advocates, and parks friends are just some examples of the volunteers the Parks Department seeks to help in the "Boston Blooms with Daffodils" effort. Last year over 100 community groups planted the bulbs distributed by the City.

Anyone interested in assisting with planting can fill out a form online at www.boston.gov/boston-blooms which asks for contact information and identification of the

public space the applicant is volunteering to plant. Groups and individuals are asked to use their own tools.

Participants are also encouraged to take photos of their groups on planting days and email them to the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at parkpartners@boston.gov with "Boston Blooms with Daffodils" in the subject line. Photos will then be available for viewing at www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment, the Parks Department website, and submitted to local newspapers. For more information on how to participate in Boston Blooms with Daffodils, please call the Parks Department at (617) 961-3006.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR MAYOR'S CUP SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department have announced that registration is now open for the 2017 Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament.

This year, the Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament will be held on the weekends of Oct. 21 - 22 and Oct. 28 - 29 at Moakley Park in South Boston. The Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament offers local youth soccer programs the opportunity to compete against each other for the right to be called the best soccer team in Boston. Reflecting changes implemented by US Youth Soccer, divisions are now grouped by grade and age.

This year's age/grade groupings are: Grades 3/4 (U10), Grades 5/6 (U12), and Grades 7/8 (U14) with boys and girls divisions for each age/grade grouping. Coaches may register their teams online at <http://tinyurl.com/2017MayorsCupSoccer>. Registration is open now through Friday, Oct. 13. For more information about the Mayor's Cup Soccer

Tournament, please contact Woodley Auguste at woodley.auguste@boston.gov or call (617) 961-3084.

BCYF NOW RECRUITING FOR 2017-18 YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Boston high school students are invited to apply to Boston Centers for Youth & Families' (BCYF) Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). Established in September 2014, the BCYF Youth Advisory Committee serves as an advisory board to identify, discuss and inform BCYF leadership on youth issues and programming. The purpose of the Committee is to instill members with the knowledge, skills and confidence to work in cooperation with BCYF to best serve the needs and expectations of Boston's youth and to empower them to make positive change in their community.

The deadline for completed applications is Friday, Sept. 22. The application can be found at Boston.Gov/BCYF

JAMAICA PLAIN ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS

This event is free and it showcases the artwork of up to 200 artists at 40 sites including artists' studios, the historic Eliot School, the Haffenreffer brewery complex and more. It runs from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. over the weekend of Sept. 23 - 24, 2017.

Tracking down specific artists, or planning your own route through the event can be aided by a visit to the website: www.jpopenstudios.com. As Duprey says: "The website lets you preview artists and their work to help you decide where you want to go."

Free maps will be distributed at local JP businesses and are available at information booths during the event at the Brewery (284 Amory St.) and JPLicks (659 Center St.). Maps are also available for download from www.jpopenstudios.com. All Open Studios sites are MBTA accessible on the Orange Line at the Jackson Square, Stony Brook, Green Street and Forest Hills stations as well as several bus routes. More information is available by calling 617-855- 5767 (JPOS).

THE MAN IN THE COWBOY HAT THIS FALL

We are thrilled to announce that there are three opportunities to see The Man in the Cowboy Hat this fall! The film, a documentary about Carlos Arredondo, will show at the Jamaica Plain Branch Library on Thursday evening Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Please join filmmakers Janice Rogovin and Laura McLam for the screening and Q&A following.

The Man in the Cowboy Hat will also screen at the Boston International Latino Film Festival, Sept. 28 - Oct 1.

PARKARTS WATERCOLOR WORKSHOPS RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

Budding artists ages 9 and up are invited to join the Boston Parks and Recreation Department for its popular fall series of ParkARTS Watercolor Painting Workshops

during the month of September at six Boston locations. The series of free workshops is just one of the many offerings of the 21st annual ParkARTS program sponsored by Holly and David Bruce.

The workshops welcome artists of all skill levels to create their own greenspace-inspired masterpieces with instruction and materials provided. This fall's featured instructor is Juleen Jones. Ms. Jones has a BFA in Fine Art from Montserrat College of Art as well as a custom painting business called The Artist Touch where she transforms rooms with faux and specialty painting, murals, hand painted furniture, refinishing, and more.

All classes are held from noon to 2 p.m. weather permitting. Dates and locations for the workshops are as follows:

Saturday, Sept. 23, Public Garden, Back Bay

Sunday, Sept. 24, Victory Gardens, Fenway

For further information on the workshops and other ParkARTS programs, please call (617) 635-4505 or visit the Parks Department online at www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment or www.cityofboston/parks.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE PROGRAM

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is looking to expand its team of volunteers for the upcoming tax season. Approaching its 50th year, Tax-Aide offers free tax filing help to anyone, especially those 50 and older, who can't afford a tax preparation service. Tax-Aide volunteers make a difference in their communities by assisting many older, lower-income taxpayers who might otherwise miss out on the credits and deductions they've earned.

Tax-Aide volunteers receive training and support in a welcoming environment. There is need for volunteer tax preparers, client facilitators, those who can provide technical and management assistance and interpreters. Every level of experience is welcome. Volunteer tax preparers complete tax preparation training and IRS certification.

To learn about our volunteer opportunities, visit www.aarpfoundation.org/taxaide or call 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277). AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is offered in coordination with the IRS.

MOVIES ON THE COMMON

Friday, Sept. 22 - Frog Pond, Boston Common, "Top Gun."

For more information please call (617) 635-4505 or visit the Boston Parks and Recreation Department online on Facebook or at www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation.

HYDE PARK

CHESS AND CHECKERS WITH CHARLIE

Children are welcome to come and learn to play chess or checkers with Charlie Cleary on Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library located on 35 Harvard

Ave., Hyde Park. Sponsored by the Friends of the Hyde Park Branch Library. Free to all.

PLAY AND LEARN BLOCK PARTY

Come play, build, and learn together at a block party - library style. Playing with blocks provides opportunities to learn about math and science, pre-reading skills, social skills, and motor skills. Various building blocks will be available including wood blocks, magnetic blocks, KAPLA blocks, soft blocks, and baby blocks. No registration is required. The block party takes place on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 10 a.m. at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library.

GRAND OPENING THE SWITCH CO-OP

The Switch Co-op, 21 Fairmont Avenue, Hyde Park, will hold its Grand Opening Event Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Be sure to mark your calendar so you won't miss this evening of art, food and music! See the works of over 25 artists and craftspeople, including paintings, photography, prints, sculptures, pottery, jewelry and more. This is a FREE event and the public is invited. Email: switchcoop@gmail.com Website: www.theswitchcoop.com and check out The Switch Co-op on Facebook too!

F.E.N.C.E.

A Domestic Violence Awareness Event presented by Black Lipstick Conversations, Inc. start time is 1 pm - 4 pm on Oct. 7. Located at the Hyde Park Library, Menino Room.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM

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WEST ROXBURY ROSLINDALE

41ST ANNUAL BAZAAR & FOOD FAIR PLANNED

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church of Boston is proud to announce their 41st Annual Bazaar & Food Fair to be held at their community center located at 55 Emmonsdale Rd., West Roxbury, on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 22 from noon - 3 p.m. Free Admission Wheel Chair accessible. Full Kitchen service and take-out available. Authentic Middle Eastern Cuisine and

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CITY OF BOSTON		B D 26
To the Public Safety Commission Committee on Licenses Building Department		
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APPLICATION		
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City of Boston. In Public Safety Commission September 27, 2017. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Wednesday the 27 day of September at 10:00 o'clock A.M., consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in the <i>Boston Bulletin</i> (Jamaica Plain) and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held: 1010 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, MA 02118.		
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O'Malley said that the city needs to look at its evacuation routes and emergency plans, as many residents don't know where the evacuations routes even lead.

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To the Public Safety Commission
 Committee on Licenses
 Building Department Boston, MA 08/10/2017

APPLICATION

For the lawful use of herein-described building, and other structure, application is hereby made for a permit to erect a private-public-business-garage 6 vehicle parking garage

and also for a license to use the land on which such building or structure is/are or is/are to be situated for the Keeping-STORAGE 6 cars 120 gallons of gas in the tanks of vehicles.

Location of land: 167-171 Hyde Park Ave. Ward 19
 Owner of land: Parcel U Phase A, LLC Address: 142 Berkeley St., Suite 402, Boston, MA 02116
 Dimensions of land: Ft. front 67.6, Ft. deep 65.5, Area sq. ft. 4,427.8.
 Number of buildings or structures on land, the use of which requires land to be licensed: One (1)
 Manner of keeping: In the tanks of 6 vehicles.

City of Boston. In Public Safety Commission September 27, 2017. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Wednesday the 27 day of September at 10:00 o'clock A.M., consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in the *Boston Bulletin* (Jamaica Plain) and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held: 1010 Massachusetts Ave, Boston, MA 02118.

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years we've had 14 'Once in a Hundred Year' weather events on planet earth," he said. "Astounding. Since that time, the number has increased to 16. In fact, we've had two Category 4 hurricanes come into the United States in a 10-day period, and we've never had two Category 4 hurricanes in the same year; now we've had two in a week and a half."

O'Malley said he wants to go over much of the local infrastructure in the city and make sure the lower areas of the city are prepared for flooding, as well as make sure emergency measures currently in place make sense.

"This order will address the current local emergency evacuation plan and physical infrastructure in the case of a natural weather catastrophe in our city, it will identify a potential reduction in funding assistance that may be curtailed in the national budget and it will ensure safety and protection of the residents of the City of Boston from the impacts of global climate change," he said. "We are witnessing the devastating effects of man-made climate change, I am happy to debate this issue with anyone, anywhere, anytime, but I certainly agree that man-made climate change does have a direct increase in major weather events... We've all seen those

evacuation routes, they went up maybe 15 years ago and I'm not quite sure where they go. One sends me to Dedham, one to Brookline; we need to talk about what our plan is."

O'Malley added that the city has been able to avoid the major storms of the past few years, but pointed out that if Tropical Storm Sandy had struck the city at high tide, it could easily have been far worse than New York or New Jersey in terms of flood damage.

"We have been incredibly lucky despite the fact that we are incredibly susceptible to the impact of climate change, so it is as a city with rising sea levels, we are prepared for extreme weather," he said. "According to Climate Way Boston, over the entire 20th century, sea levels rose more than nine inches relative to land; however, by 2030, another eight inches will rise... By 2050, sea levels may rise one and a half feet higher than in 2000, and by 2070 they may be as much as three feet higher than just 17 years ago."

District 7 City Councilor Tito Jackson added that the economic and social justice issues facing the city and the country right now are only exacerbated by natural disasters.

"We also know with each one of these disasters, it actually

inches up poverty by 1 percent nationally," he said. "With just each one, and disproportionately, those who are poor are hurt more. One of the things I would ask Councilor O'Malley to look at that we are not in the City of Boston is we just approved folks to be on the Zoning Board, and we know if there's 36 inches of water at the Seaport, when you stand at the Convention Center, you are way higher than you are than when you're in the Seaport District. We know that area will be flooded if we do nothing."

Jackson pointed out that in California, it's illegal to build a building not resistant to earthquakes, and said such a policy for hurricanes should be implemented here in Boston.

"We need to reevaluate our zoning code, and I know we're having a huge boom in development right now, but if we know that the water is coming, why is it that we are doing nothing to upgrade the zoning code to ensure that the buildings have the infrastructure needed to ensure they will be here in perpetuity?"

Jackson added that if those buildings wash away, so does the taxes generated by them.

"Our body really needs to look at the rules and regulations that guide us so we are prepared," he said.

Hyde Park Neponset River Clean-Up to be held on Saturday, Sept. 23

Are you looking to make a difference in your community? Can you volunteer for a few hours to help the environment? We need people like you!

The Neponset River Watershed Association, along with an extraordinary group of local volunteers and partners, is sponsoring their annual Hyde Park Neponset River Cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 23 from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

This important annual cleanup brings together people from across the region in an effort improve parts of the Neponset River that often go unnoticed. In addition to increas-

ing awareness of the river, the event helps to promote its use as a recreational resource for everyone.

"The clean-up is an opportunity for area residents to spend some time outdoors and explore parts of the Neponset River that they may not normally see. This will give people a chance to get in touch with a piece of nature right in their own back yards," said Hyde Park's Martha McDonough, the primary organizer of the event.

Pre-registration is helpful for planning purposes, but last minute walk-ins are also welcome. People can sign up by

emailing or calling Annie O'Connell o'connell@neponset.org 781-575-0354 x306, or by going to the website www.neponset.org/volunteer and using the on-line registration form.

Volunteers are asked to meet at 8 a.m. at the Martini Shell parking lot, 1015 Truman Parkway, Hyde Park, where they will get assigned to a clean-up site.

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MHMC still not convinced on 920 American Legion plan

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

More than 60 residents piled into the Home for Little Wanderers conference room on American Legion Highway last Thursday to hear a proposal from City Realty regarding the company's proposed project on 920 American Legion Highway.

The proposal was a rehash of a proposal presented in December, with minimal changes to the design of the building itself. City Realty representatives said they worked mostly on the drainage issues facing that area of American Legion, as District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy pointed out, the April storm of 1996 impacted the area severely.

"I was out here in '96 as a neighborhood coordinator, and there were people all over the place with boats trying to help people out," he said. "I remember that flood, and that's where you're getting this angst and nervousness."

Steve Sawyer of Design Consultants said they worked to improve the drainage on this project, but also looked at the problem of the Stop and Shop parking lot, which he said drained all its storm water into a culvert across the street from the plaza's gas station.

"It's 11 acres of impervious surface," he said. "What they did was they took the storm water

and concentrated it into that one area. I'm not sure that drainage design would happen now, typically what you would do these days is try to do smaller features scattered throughout the site. Spread it throughout the site so it wouldn't concentrate in on location, but unfortunately with Stop and Shop, that's exactly what happened."

Sawyer said there's a 36-inch diameter overflow pipe that collects all the storm water, which is then fed directly into the Stony Brook Culvert, which was what flooded in 1996. Project owner Josh Fetterman said they can only improve the drainage on their site and cannot help with Stop and Shop, but Sawyer said his current calculations and two infiltration systems in the new rental complex, if approved, would actually improve drainage on the site. He said on the Cummins Highway side of the building they will have three rows of 60-foot long, 48-inch diameter perforated pipe to infiltrate into the groundwater there and another smaller system under the lower parking lot on American Legion. He added they will be putting in rain gardens around the site to aide in draining and filtering the water on the site.

"We'll be reducing the flow on American Legion dramatically," he said.

Residents were still not happy



Residents were still not pleased with the proposed development on American Legion Highway.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

about the project on the whole. Many residents pointed out that the parking ratio for the current plan was, in their eyes, not enough. The project calls for 116 parking spaces, for a parking ratio of 1.4 spaces per housing unit (85 total units, 38 one-bedroom, 39 two bedroom and eight three-bedroom). Residents said that with more than 40 two-bedroom and three-bedroom units, they felt too many people would have more than one car and exacerbate the current parking problem on American Legion Highway and the surrounding neighborhoods.

"There's not one more spot on American Legion Highway for another car," said resident Maureen Donafine. "There's just

not, and you're going to be taking away a few spots (two total) with the garage entrance."

Development Attorney Jeff Drago, of Drago and Toscano Associates, said the data currently collected for Boston residents just doesn't show that new residents are coming into the neighborhoods with two or three vehicles.

"If we have any more parking, we would have more parking than most of the housing projects in the City of Boston," he said. "We can tweak that for you, but at a certain point, the Boston Transportation Department won't allow us to add more."

Resident John Sullivan said any such large development will contribute to an already over-

stocked neighborhood.

"Our neighborhood is trashed right now with parking problems, what are you bringing to the neighborhood? What is City Realty bringing to our neighborhood?" he asked.

Fetterman said he will be working with the Impact Advisory Group once the project enters the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) Article 80 Large Project Review process to see what kinds of community benefits could be worked out with the city.

"I don't want to tell you what we're going to do for the neighborhood, I want you and the folks involved in the process to tell us," he said.



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LOBSTER DINNER SPONSORED BY THE ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF BOSTON ADULT FELLOWSHIP

LOBSTERDINNER sponsored by the St. George Orthodox Church of Boston Adult Fellowship on Friday, Sept. 29, 2017 from 5-7 p.m. at the St. George Community Center, 55 Emmonsdale Rd., West Roxbury. Menu: Two boiled lobsters, chowder, baked potato, dessert and coffee. Price: \$25. Children under 12, (1 lobster), \$15. Fish Dinner available, \$15. Take-out orders will also be available. Reservations must be made by calling Michel/Evelyn Easa (617) 266-0065 or Pat Ayoub (781) 326-6755. (If a machine answers be sure to leave your name and number). Reservations are a must! Deadline for reservations is Thursday, Sept. 28. Friends, neighbors, parishioners, all are welcome!

CHILDREN/YA USED BOOK SALE!

The Friends of the West Roxbury Library is hosting their annual Children/YA Used Book Sale! Date and Time: Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Location: West Roxbury Branch Library: 1961 Centre St., West Roxbury. Description: Books for All (Young) Ages at Great Prices. Free kid-friendly entertainment at 11:30.

THE FRIENDS OF THE WEST ROXBURY LIBRARY IS HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL MEETING

The Friends of the West Roxbury Library is hosting their Annual Meeting featuring Ben Mezrich, author of *Woolly* (The True Story of the De-Extinction of

One of History's Most Iconic Creatures)

Thursday, Oct. 19, Reception: 5:30 p.m., Author talk: 6:30 p.m., Location: West Roxbury Branch Library.

Science fiction becomes reality in this Jurassic Park-like story of the genetic resurrection of an extinct species - the woolly mammoth - by the bestselling author of *The Accidental Billionaires* and *The 37th Parallel*.

This wild and wondrous tale intertwines the looming threat of global warming, miraculous new advances in science and technology, heroic fossil hunters who battle polar bears and extreme conditions, and the brave new world that arrives with mankind's newfound ability to control the genetic code of every living creature.

NEW BROOK FARM'S THIRD ANNUAL "FOCUS ON BROOK FARM" ARTS EVENT

On Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. New Brook Farm's Third Annual "Focus on Brook Farm" Arts Event New Brook Farm, Inc. invites the community to gather at the Brook Farm Historic Site on Sunday for an afternoon of history and tours with costumed guides, refreshments, and information on their third annual "Focus on Brook Farm" (FBF) event. FBF is an opportunity for photographers, writers, and visual and performing artists to create works inspired by the natural beauty and history of the Brook Farm site. Participants of all ages can submit their creations throughout the fall and early winter. A jury will select works in all media for exhibitions and presentations in local venues. FBF will culminate with a reception for all participants in early spring. Focus on Brook Farm III will take place on Sunday, Oct. 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the DCR Brook Farm Historic Site, 670 Baker St., West Roxbury. The event is free; donations are welcome. A rain date will be announced. Brook Farm was an influential transcendentalist utopian community in the mid-1840s. Famous visitors and residents included Margaret Fuller, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Rev. Theodore Parker, and Nathaniel Hawthorne.

The farm was later used as a Civil War training camp and an orphanage. The property is now owned by the Mass. Department of Conservation and Recreation. New Brook Farm, Inc. is a non-profit, all-volunteer neighborhood organization that seeks to raise awareness of the important history and natural beauty of the Brook Farm site and create a demonstration garden on the site. For more information, visit www.newbrookfarm.org, email to info@newbrookfarm.org, or call 617-694-6407.

ART EXHIBIT: "GETTING TO KNOW YOU THROUGH OUR CULTURES"

As part of the Friends of the Roslindale Library race and inclusion programming, the Roslindale Branch of the Boston Public Library announces an upcoming art exhibit, "Getting to know you through our cultures". Reception is Thursday, Oct. 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m. The art will also be available as part of the Roslindale Open Studios on Saturday, Oct. 22 until 2 p.m. <http://www.roslindaleopenstudios.org>. Exhibit runs from Oct. 9 through Nov. 18. Located at 4246 Washington St., Roslindale.

The cultures of Roslindale come from all over the world. Artist participants include: Dan Jay, Nina Lev, Dianne Zimbabwe, Phyllis Bluhm, Greg Jundanian, Catherine Jaggi, Michele Audet and Lilly Harrison. More info about Friends of the Roslindale Library at <http://www.friendsofroslindalelibrary.org>

PRESCHOOL OPENINGS

The BCYF Ohrenberger Community Center Preschool has spaces available in our Tuesday and Thursday program. The program is offered from September through June, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. for 3 & 4-year-olds. The program is designed to promote emotional, social, and physical development. The daily schedule includes time for group activities, stations, gym time, outdoor play, story time in the school library, crafts, free play, baking and daily snacks. For more information contact Grace at 617-635-5183.

41ST ANNUAL BAZAAR & FOOD FAIR PLANNED

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church of Boston is proud to announce their 41st Annual Bazaar & Food Fair to be held at their community center located at 55 Emmonsdale Rd., West Roxbury, on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 22 from noon to 3 p.m. - FREE ADMISSION/WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE. Full kitchen service and take-out available. Authentic Middle Eastern Cuisine and Pastry, American Foods and Pastry, Country Store, Photo Booth, White Elephant Table and much more. Do your Christmas shopping here at St. George. Purchase Galaxy Raffle tickets to win fabulous prizes! There's something for everyone at the St. George Church Bazaar! For more information, please call the church at (617)327-6500. Proceeds to benefit church projects. Thank you!

ROSE'S BOUNTY FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN

On Oct. 14 from 2-4 p.m. and Oct. 17 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Rose's Bounty food pantry is open to local residents in need. Please bring bags and ID. Anyone interested in donating or volunteering can reach us at rosesbounty@gmail.com Located on Stratford Street United Church 77 Stratford St. (at Anawan Ave.) West Roxbury

BEGINNING SENIOR YOGA

Hands to Heart Center's Senior Yoga Classes incorporate gentle touch, gradual stretching, connected breathing, deep relaxation and community building. Chairs and props are provided to keep everyone safe and supported—no need to bring a yoga mat and absolutely no yoga experience is required. The class will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 3 p.m. located at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library. Please sign up at the West Roxbury Branch or call 617-325-3147.

FINAL READING IN THE O.W.I. (BUREAU OF THEATRE)

Final Reading in the O.W.I. (Bureau of Theatre) Spring/Summer second Saturday Reading Series TWO SHIPS PASSING Two sisters collide in October 1962. The two Ship sisters have been passing for white since childhood. Doris has been married into a prominent Boston family for ten years now and Loreen is about to be married to a distinguished West African scholar and diplomat. It had been planned for Doris' husband, Dan, to walk her sister down the aisle, but Loreen has invited their estranged father to attend the wedding with the intention of asking him to walk her down the aisle and thereby giving away both of the Ship sisters. A welcome change of pace from politically correct black-and-white solutions to the problems of blacks and whites.

The reading will take place at Roslindale Branch Boston Public Library on 4626 Washington St., Roslindale, noon. For more information please email info@officeofwarinformation.com

REGISTRATION ONGOING FOR SEPTEMBER ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION CLASSES AT ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARISH

On Sunday, Sept. 24 at 10:30

a.m. sessions will begin for adults in the community who are thinking about becoming Catholic. This program is called RCIA and is an open, welcoming, small group discussion on faith. Sessions are held at St. John Chrysostom Parish, 4750 Washington St., West Roxbury. Please contact Mary Campion, Pastoral Associate to register in advance. Call 617-323-4410 or email marycampion@stjohnchrysostom02132.org

MY LIFE, MY HEALTH: A CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

My Life, My Health is a free 6-week informative, interactive workshop, designed for adults who live with the daily challenges of one or more ongoing health conditions. It gives people with chronic conditions (such as high blood pressure, arthritis, heart disease, cancer, depression, asthma, etc.) and/or their caregivers the knowledge and skills needed to take a more active role in their health care. The book, *Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Disease* is provided for each participant. Anyone from any neighborhood can attend.

Location: BCYF Roche Family Community Center, 1716 Centre St. in West Roxbury

Day and Time: Wednesdays from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Start Date: Oct. 4, 2017

For more information or to register, contact Ann at 617-477-6616 or agloria@ethocare.org

BCYF DRAPER POOL WILL BEGIN SATURDAY OPERATING HOURS

The BCYF Draper Pool, 5279 Washington St. in West Roxbury, now making the pool available to swimmers six days a week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For the complete schedule of swim programming at the pool, visit Boston.Gov/BCYF

3RD. ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR

Please join us on Sept. 27, 2017 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for the American Arabic Benevolent Association, Inc. (AABA) Cheriton Grove/Heights Apartments 3rd. Annual Health Fair. The event will be located on 18 Cheriton Rd., West Roxbury.

MAYOR OF ROSLINDALE CONTEST FOR ROSLINDALE DAY PARADE

The 42nd Annual Roslindale Day Parade will take place on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, stepping off at 1 p.m. from Washington Street in Roslindale Village. The parade will proceed up South Street, to Belgrade Avenue, taking a right at West Roxbury Parkway, through Gottwald Rotary, to Centre Street, to South Street, and ending at Fallon Field. This year the Parade will honor as Grand Marshals Glenn Williams and Sacred Heart School in recognition of their 100th Anniversary.

In addition to parade participants, the Committee is seeking candidates to join in our 19th Annual "Mayor of Roslindale" Contest which will run through the end of September. The winner of the contest will be honored in the Parade on Sunday, Oct. 1.

For information about the contest, as well as Parade participation opportunities for your organization or business, please visit www.roslindaleparade.com, e-mail to info@roslindaleparade.com, or call 617-327-4886.



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This is not the old econo box of years gone by. There is electric power steering, LED and HID lights, and even a rear spoiler. The ride was smooth and quiet at all speeds, with some engine noise under full acceleration (and there is an engine sound difference with the 3 cylinder versus a 4 cylinder). Gas mileage: 37 city, 43 highway, combined average of 39 mpg. I drove the car for a week from Lakeville to Hyde Park - approximately 70 miles a day - and my gas cost was \$15.94. MSRP: \$16,495 with no optional equipment (destination fee: \$835). The base 5-speed manual transmission Mirage's MSRP is \$13,395 (plus destination fee). Engine transmission and assembly are in Thailand. Power train warranty: 10 years/100,000 miles.

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State looking at rapid transit options for Fairmount Line

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

On Monday, Sept. 20, from Noon until 2 p.m., a public hearing was held by the Joint Committee on Transportation in Room A1 of the State House.

The meeting drew a standing room crowd, and discussed Bill #H2723 concerning the Indigo Line (better known as the Fairmount Commuter Rail Line).

This bill – filed by State Representative Evandro Carvalho (Fifth Suffolk District) is, as he described it, fairly straightforward in its goals:

“What the bill actually does is just ask for a pilot to increase the frequency (of the train). Instead of every hour, every 30 minutes, make it every 15 minutes.”

He said it also seeks to improve payment compatibility with bus and rapid transit lines, allowing riders to use the Charlie Card payment system.

“The bill’s pretty simple in what it does,” Carvalho said to the Committee, “It’s a pilot, so that means it’s in draft, so that means it’s flexible in session. I’m hoping that we can continue to work on this in bringing rapid transit to the neighborhood.”

In his remarks – which went slightly longer than three minutes, the rough time limit for speakers – he cited a statistic that served as major motivation in his advocacy of the project:

“I filed it because of a study from Harvard that said that commuting time is the single most important factor in people being able to get out of poverty. Not education, not public safety and some of the other big issues that we think of.”

He illustrated his point by bringing up an all-too-common transit scenario:

“If you take an hour, two hours to get the bus, then you’re not being productive.”

Three other people – representing different aspects of support for the bill – joined Carvalho at the front table. Each took a turn making remarks of their own, all of which related to the Representative’s theme.

Sue Sullivan, Executive Director of the Newmarket Business Association, which represents –

by her count – 235 area businesses and 28,000 blue collar jobs, said the organization’s focused on transit and productivity:

“It is a crime that these people in this corridor cannot get to these jobs without taking two buses and a subway to get there, and it takes an hour-and-a-half, or they have to take the commuter train.”

She brought to mind a visual reference as she went on:

“If you take a look at the MBTA’s spider map of Boston, you will see that there is a big hole, and that hole runs right down the Fairmount Corridor. It makes absolute sense that we should have more frequent transportation on this line.”

Pamela Miles – Chairwoman of the Fairmount Indigo Transit Coalition and Lead Organizer of the Four Corners Action Coalition – brought her years of involvement with the project to the table:

“We have worked for over 20 plus years – actually 30 years – all of which have been put into bringing the Indigo Line to fruition, and the goal was to have a hybrid rapid transit type line that would run along this line.”

Carvalho’s pilot project – if approved – would, in fact, achieve that long sought goal, but Miles chose to concentrate most of her time on potential threats against it:

“Right now, there’s something going on with the Line where it could be converted back to a commuter rail service, which was never the plan.”

She went on to talk about the idea that’s been circulating to extend the Fairmount Line to Foxboro:

“MassDOT has put together a pilot to send the line down (to Foxboro) and turn it back into a commuter rail, and not to bring to fruition the promised Indigo Line that was supposed to be launched when our fourth station was built out.” In 2019, the last station is scheduled to be completed.

She made one last point:

“The commuter rail is defined as a service that goes from 10 miles outside of the city. This line is only 9.2 miles long, and it only runs within the city so, if this bill is passed... it will provide a lifeline and the service to the community that we so desperately need.”

There City of Boston Transportation Commissioner Gina Fiandaca – who had also spoken on behalf of the bill at the hearing – went into more detail regarding Mayor Walsh’s interest in the plan:

“This was part of our Go Boston 2030 long term mobility plan that we released in March,” she said.

In the two-year run up to the launch, the Mayor’s Office engaged with the public extensively and the Fairmount Corridor was identified as fitting with the plan’s goals for all of the reasons previously mentioned. When Carvalho filed H2723, he said he reached out and found that Mayor Walsh was “closely aligned behind the spirit of the bill.”

Representative Carvalho also talked about how he became involved with the Indigo/Fairmount Line:

“What alerted me to this issue was the DMU’s (Diesel Multiple Units, a type of train) that the Patrick Administration put in the capital budget to get these trains that were supposed to increase the frequency and run rapidly. And then the Baker Administration came in and pulled that plan. So that’s what flagged it for me, and then I realized that folks had been working on this issue for much longer.”

The DMU plans were abandoned when it was found that the stations would require extensive work to lower the platforms for the DMUs. A plan to have shorter commuter rail trains put there instead was floated, but nothing as of yet has come of it. As of the date of publication, no date has yet been scheduled for a vote on Bill H2723.

Readville Yard 5 focuses on National Grid

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Readville Yard 5 development held an Impact Advisory Group (IAG) meeting on Monday evening, Sept. 18, at 65 Sprague St.

The project was originally approved by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA, now the Boston Planning and Development Agency) in 2014. This meeting had to do with a Notice of Project Change (NPC) filed by Highland Yard 5 Associates, on Aug. 17, 2017.

The change being proposed decreases the project’s total gross floor area from 333,925 square feet to 249,845 square feet, eliminating one of the buildings in the original proposal, thus reducing the number from six to five.

The site plan entrance is from Sprague Street with Buildings E through A progressing deeper into the lot in a fan shape with the right side running parallel to Milton St. .

With the creation of a new four-acre lot, First Highland found a new and viable tenant for it: National Grid.

This set the stage for what turned out to be the only topic of the meeting: National Grid’s planned use for those four acres. The two-person IAG steered the presentation toward the details of the deal and parked it there until nearly the end of the 45-minute meeting.

The Group’s main concern was with the lot potentially being used to store contaminated dirt taken from job sites around the city.

It kept referring to rumors that the Readville lot would, in fact,

be the new storage site and kept looking for unequivocal confirmation from First Highland that it wouldn’t be.

In answering, First Highland Vice President Matt O’Connor started off in broad strokes about receiving reassurances from National Grid. When the question was posed again, Principal Peter Murphy confirmed that contaminated dirt would not be coming in, before qualifying it:

“There is dirt that will come back to the site. We can get you clarification on the precautions and the steps they’ll take to ensure you that it won’t be contaminated.”

O’Connor got specific:

“Our lease agreement with them would be that they cannot have a negative environmental impact on the property.”

He went on:

“The material that is being stored here is screened and is clean material. The only thing that they would actually move as a dirty soil is regulated by Mass DOT, is regulated by the State, and requires manifests even to touch it and move to locations.”

Frank Garibaldi was still skeptical:

“I think what we’re trying to get at is, if you say one thing here and the project gets approved, and all of a sudden everything changes, and your paperwork is all above board that you’re storing it and getting rid of it, that’s not the issue. We don’t want it here, period. That’s the assurance we want.”

This reopened the door, with members of the small audience

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Hyde Park Launches 150th Anniversary planning meeting

Hyde Park will celebrate its 150th Anniversary as an incorporated town in 2018. Planning and brainstorming celebration ideas will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with the initial Celebration Idea Sharing event at the Hyde Park Community Center. The event is open to any and all people that have

ideas on how to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Hyde Park in 2018. A series of Idea Sharing meetings will take place over the next few weeks, along with Idea Boxes placed around locations throughout Hyde Park. The goal is to include as many ideas and volunteers as possible in the celebration next year.



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 August 22, 2017
 Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate Court
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developmental experiences that do not satisfy children’s needs can later contribute to personal and social problems including violence when they become adults.

At-large Boston City Councilor Ayanna Pressley is Chair of the Council’s Healthy Women, Families, & Communities Committee, which is concerned with all public health matters including promoting efforts to reduce violence.

On April 7, 2017, I emailed Luv Villar, Pressley’s scheduler, saying I had an idea for the Council concerning the welfare of children. I asked her to let me know when I could have a brief telephone call with the Councilor. After checking with Pressley, Villar later told me I would be called on Saturday, June 24. When I called on June 23 to confirm, I was told that Pressley would not call me the next day.

I called the offices of other at-large City Councilors and asked how long I would have to wait to receive a five minute telephone call from each councilor. Responses were no longer than a few days.

I made numerous other attempts at communicating with Pressley’s office. My last email on Aug. 10 received no response. To summarize, I tried in vain for over four months to share information with Pressley that would serve the interest of public health and her Council Committee. In at least 15 instances, I received no response from her office, broken promises, and at least one false statement. Boston residents deserve better.

Ronald Goldman Boston

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getting involved, as well.

Murphy again offered an answer to the repeated question while also offering the rationale for working out a deal with National Grid:

“We understand your concerns there. That isn’t our understanding of the site at all, or according to our contract... But keep in mind, too... that it was just an opportunity to have a credit tenant that wanted to be in this location,” before offering his reason for agreeing with the IAG: We still have our intention to build everything in front of that, so we don’t want to have that as a dump site.”

Though challenging, the meeting remained amicable, with both sides in agreement about the plans for the rest of the development and about continuing to work together as the project progresses.

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