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Boston Renaissance Charter in Hyde Park brings community together for Donuts with Dad



More than 200 fathers, grandfathers and uncles came to the Boston Renaissance Public Charter School's first-ever "Donuts with Dads" event held at the Hyde Park school on Thursday, Nov. 2. The event was part of Renaissance's family engagement work - connecting the school with families and supporting fathers' efforts to be part of students' education. Students pictured are from neighborhoods throughout the city of Boston. Students came from grades K-2 to have a little time to play, learn and discover with their fathers, grandfathers and uncles. The school said they plan on making this event take place every year to help foster community in Hyde Park.

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Incumbents sitting pretty in Boston's 2017 election



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh celebrated his reelection on Tuesday among many supporters and city officials.

PHOTO BY SUSAN YOUNG

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 2017 election is over and done in Boston, and incumbents took back their seats handily in this year's contest.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh defeated challenger and District 7 City Councilor Tito Jackson with 70,125 votes to 36,433. A total of 108,265 ballots were cast, with 707 write-in votes. Walsh said in statements that he is grateful to the City of Boston and his team.

"We commit once again to be a city for all of us: to bring opportunity to every community; to celebrate our immigrant heritage and welcome our immigrant neighbors; to light the way forward for our nation; and to make the greatest city in the world the greatest it's ever been," he said.

Walsh campaigned on his purported achievements in affordable housing, schools and crime, while Jackson heavily criticized him on these issues. Jackson said Walsh's extended learned time for the BPS

took funds away and reduced the budgets of many schools in the area, but Walsh said the gains outweighed the losses.

Jackson said the city still needs to advocate for more funding for schools, as it is an investment in the future of the city.

"What this is about is the voice of the young people in the City of Boston because when they walked out of school and did something that most adults wouldn't do, which is stand up for public education," he said. "When it gets cut, regardless of who cuts it, regardless of whether or not we like the person cutting it, this is about fully-funding the Boston Public Schools and full valuing the young people in the City of Boston," he said. "We don't call the young people an expense, they are an asset to the City of Boston."

In Jackson's soon to be former District 7, Kim Janey took the seat with 4,940 votes against Rufus Faulk with 3,852 votes. A

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HPNA discusses Father Hart Bridge, traffic, and community organizations



The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association discussed a number of ongoing issues at its monthly meeting, including the Father Hart Bridge project, the Readville Yard 5 development and traffic.

PHOTO BY MATTHEW MACDONALD

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association gathered for its monthly meeting on Thursday evening, Nov. 2 at the Area E-18 police station.

In a lower than average turnout, about a dozen people were present in the community room for the nearly hour long meeting during which a number of neighborhood issues were discussed.

At the beginning of the meeting, flyers were handed out with information

regarding the BPDA (Boston Planning & Development Agency) Community Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8 regarding the Readville Yard 5 development at 8 Industrial Drive.

"I know that we don't live in that neighborhood," HPNA President Barbara Baxter said. "But I'm a firm believer that we have to pitch in and help each other out when there are problems."

On another Readville note, local resident Craig Martin gave an overview

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MWRA nearly done for Hyde Park and Parkway project

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) announced recently that they are nearing completion of the pipe replacement on the Enneking, Dedham and West Roxbury Parkways on the borders of Hyde Park, Roslindale and West Roxbury.

The replacement project, called the Southern Extra High Redundancy and Storage Project, currently has three separate construction contracts that will provide more water and reliability to Dedham, Westwood, Norwood, Stoughton and Boston.

Each of the three contracts have been split, and Boston (Contract 6454 Section 111) was the first to start construction.

“They’re all part of one big pipe essentially,” MWRA representative Ria Convery said.

Convery said the original pipe was built in 1954, and though the adjoining communities of Canton and Stoughton are also served by an offshoot this pipe (called Section 77), the loss of that pipe would result in a rapid loss of service.

She said the contract itself ends in 2018, but the job essentially will be done when it’s done.

It varies day to day how much pipe they can put in; the contract completion date is in

August, but we think they could be done sooner if the weather holds up,” she said. “They’ve been working at a good clip, but even if they get it all done before the winter sets in the paving wouldn’t start until the spring.”

The Boston contract for the project called for 11,000 linear feet of 36-inch diameter pipe to be laid primarily in the Department of Recreation and Conservation’s (DCR) Stony Brook Reservation. Convery said they currently have 9,360 feet of pipe laid and will continue to work. Currently, the work on Enneking is nearly complete and the road nominally in service, but work is continuing on the Dedham Parkway, and will have to rehabilitate certain sections of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission’s pipe there. They are also working to start pressure testing and disinfection on the pipes there.

Convery said the pressure test and the disinfecting would take a decent amount of time. After that, then they could begin a full repaving of the road, something residents and their alignment systems should be looking forward to.

“It’s just a time-consuming process, but once they’re sure it works they’ll come back in the spring and start the repaving,” she said.

Convery added that the weather is always an issue.



The Massachusetts Water Resource Authority said it is nearing completion of work on the water pipe replacement project in Hyde Park and the Parkway.

“It was 60 on Monday and 30 on Tuesday, I mean this is New England,” she said. “It also depends on what’s under the ground and how quickly they can push the pipe in.”

The first contract, specifically for the work in Boston, was awarded to P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc. \$11.7 million. The company is also

on tap for the Contract 7504, which will go through Stony Brook on the Dedham side of the Stony Brook Reservation and install 10,000 linear feet of pipe. The contract his project required permitting for two MassDOT bridges, including Mother Brook, along the route, and was awarded with a total bid amount of \$17.2 million. Work

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has started and is expected to be completed by Nov. 2019.

The third contract will go through Dedham as well, with 7,100 feet of pipe going through the southern portion of Dedham and into Westwood crossing under MBTA railroad tracks and Route 95. The contract will be advertised for December of this year.

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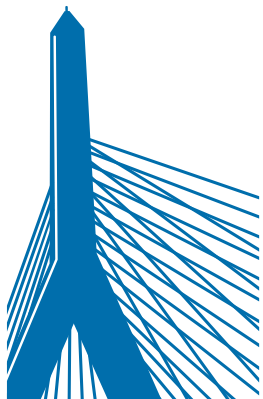
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Editorial

THE FAMILIAR AND THE NEW

For many years, there has been little in the way of suspense or shock when it comes to Boston's local elections. This year was different.

Well, of course there were pundits and educated observers who prognosticated things before they unfolded. The reelection of Mayor Marty Walsh was anti-climactic. Ed Flynn representing Southie? His road to the Council was a long time coming (and ultimately deserved), but his surname certainly helped his odds this year more than it has in the past.

Consider the true game changer: six women of color were elected to the City Council.

However, let's step back a bit and look at the Mayor's race. Tito Jackson had a good showing, and hopefully will retain a role of prominence and importance in Boston politics. He ran up against a longtime truism of Boston politics: it is incredibly challenging to unseat an incumbent Mayor.

As the reign of Mayor Menino showed (aside from his considerable skill set), Boston voters usually crave consistency. Despite occasional talk to the contrary, we seldom act on "throw the bums out" rhetoric. We seek steady hands for a steady ship.

It cannot be understated or forgotten, however, that Walsh sorely tested the idea that winning the first election was the hardest part of being a long-term mayor. His bungles were many; the recovery landings shaky. Two years ago we would have forcefully argued in favor of a one-term departure with a mere four words: "Teamsters," "Olympics," and "Grand Prix."

Walsh has recovered since then, stopped being enticed by the hollow prospect of a big, quick win for the city and/or his legacy, and buckled down on matters of importance to everyday life. We remain skeptical and critical, yet hopeful he stays on track throughout a new term.

As for the newly-diversified City Council, there is much to be enthusiastic about, and a bit of needed caution.

The good: this is an elected body that more closely resembles the demographics of the city. The "old Boston" evolved into a minority-majority city and its governance too slowly, incrementally adapted. This election gave that transition a big push.

Representing all people of all diverse backgrounds is important for our city's future. For too long, too many have had too few voices at the table.

However, let's not fall into the trap of letting social justice rhetoric replace what is practical and best for the city. The new council must focus on solving problems and meeting needs, not just appealing to whatever soapbox issue emerges. Yes, the white males of the council need to heed that advice as well.

Diversity can bring much needed debates and necessary creativity, but also unproductive distractions. Maximize the first two; resist the third.

This is an executing time for Boston. Congratulations to all who won on Tuesday night, incumbents and challengers alike.

Nov. 11, 1918: peace and mystery

The world rejoiced on Nov. 11, 1918: an armistice was signed, ending World War I, which saw the deaths of 9.7 million soldiers and 10 million civilians.

While most of the world rejoiced in the signing of the peace treaty, for one Pennsylvania family, whose son would spend his later years in Plymouth that same date marked a tragedy and, for the rest of America, what could be a mystery.

Remember the end of the movie "Silkwood," when the title character's car was forced off the road? That movie, featuring Meryl Streep, Kurt Russell and Cher, was based on the actual life of Karen Silkwood, a metallurgy worker at a plutonium processing plant in Cimarron, Okla. When she starts to raise awareness of real violations that put herself and colleagues at risk and receives corporate pushback, she contacts a New York Times reporter.

On her way to a rendezvous with him with incriminating evidence, she dies when her car is mysteriously forced off the road. No paragon of virtue herself, this union activist had her name smeared both before and after her untimely death because of her refusal to remain mum about safety violations at the huge Kerr-McGee facility. The Highway Patrol was never able to identify the operator of the other car in this suspicious happening.



My Kind of Town/ Joe Galeota

There is sort of another parallel to the life of this whistleblower because it ended in the same way - with a mysterious one-vehicle car crash.

It seems that Alvin Boyer, a machinist and an engineer who founded his own company, patented numerous small items just after the turn of the century. A fan of auto racing, Boyer most significant inventions never achieved patent status, because it would have changed the automotive world.

That invention mixed water and gasoline and yield 45 miles to the gallon, an unheard of number of mpg's in the World War I period (but not to owners of Priuses and other hybrids today).

After water was pumped out of the car's radiator and forced

it into a special tank over the manifold, the scalding liquid was injected with a secret chemical catalyst that permitted - and this tests credibility - gas and water to mix.

Excited by favorable test results in an Olds, a Pullman, a Maxwell, a Firestone-Columbus and a Ford, Boyer hired a patent attorney.

It seems that one refinery offered him \$50,000 to keep the invention off the market, a huge amount of money in those days. But Boyer refused the payout because he wanted his invention to improve mileage and consequently lessen expenses for all drivers.

All of this would come to, literally, a crashing end on the first Armistice (now Veterans') Day.

Out for a ride with his sons and having picked up a hitchhiking sailor on a clear day, Boyer was abiding by the 25 mile per hour speed limit when his 1916 Ford suddenly jerked to one side because the steering will mysteriously did. Boyer died in the overturned car, which had been tested just before the lethal ride and was found to be in perfect working order.

Application for the patent never occurred. Did the specifications all go the grave with Boyer and/or was his attorney's integrity compromised? We'll never know.

City of Boston Now Accepting Applications for the Community Preservation Committee

The City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is now accepting applications for four open positions on the committee, a nine-member board that recommends projects to the Mayor and the City Council for CPA funds. Applications for the committee are available here, and must be submitted by Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017.

Working closely with the CPC Director, the Committee will study community preservation needs and make recommendations on how CPA funds should be allocated. The funding of any project requires a recommendation from the committee and appropriation by the City. The committee's annual work includes approving an administrative budget for the Community Preservation program; developing an annual community preservation plan; reviewing project applications and making funding recommendations.

The Community Preservation Committee, which was created by ordinance, is a board consisting of nine total members. Five members, by statute,

are representatives of City entities, including the Boston Landmarks, Conservation, and Parks and Recreation Commissions, as well as the Boston Housing Authority and Boston Planning and Development Agency board.

The remaining four members are appointed by the Boston City Council with the following requirements for each of the seats:

One seat requires expertise in open space, housing, and/or historical preservation; one seat requires expertise in development, business, finance, and/or construction; the two remaining seats will be for individuals with a history of community involvement

CPC members serve as unpaid volunteers for a term of three years with a maximum of two terms. All CPC members must be Boston residents.

In November 2016, Boston voters approved adoption of the Massachusetts Community Preservation Act (CPA), which will generate millions of dollars of revenue to be used for the creation and acquisition of affordable housing, historic preservation, open space and recreation.

In July 2017, Mayor Walsh announced the selection of Christine Poff to serve as the Director of the Community Preservation Committee, which aims to shape the future of investments in Boston's neighborhoods with funds contributed through the Community Preservation Act (CPA).

The Director of the CPC is responsible for managing all aspects of the CPA Program, including staffing the CPC; coordinating the application process for granting CPA funds; managing the CPA budget and CPA grants; and managing special projects related to the CPA. The Director works closely with staff from City departments, as well as members of the community, to determine need, ensure transparency in the application process and funding awards, and complete annual reports on CPA projects and expenditures.

Applications are available here, and must be submitted by Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017. For more information on the Community Preservation Act, please visit <https://www.boston.gov/finance/community-preservation>

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Wounded Warrior Amputee Football Team looking to make a memory on Veterans Day

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Wounded Warrior Amputee Football Team (WWAFT) will play a flag football game against New England's NFL Alumni this Saturday at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood beginning at noon.

Since its inaugural game in Indianapolis during Super Bowl Week in 2012, this will be the 17th meeting between the Wounded Warrior Amputees, comprised of men and women who have lost a limb while serving the country in Iraq or Afghanistan, and some iteration of NFL Alumni.

The WWAFT is the creation of Volunteer Executive Director Chris Visser, a longtime producer with Fox Sports until his 2013 retirement, who was brought on in part thanks to his experience with NFL players.

"Everyone makes this comment that football players are 'warriors' and – to a man – every single NFL player I've worked with or known over the last 35 years would tell you, 'No, we're not warriors,'" Visser said. "Those guys are warriors."

Seeing what he called "a great, synergistic fit" between NFL players and wounded warriors, Visser was spurred into action while putting on a 2011 golf tribute for 9/11 survivors from western Massachusetts (he and his sister, sportscaster Lesley, hail from South Hadley). During the proceedings, he was introduced to a couple of military amputees who made an impression on him.

"As soon as I met them, I realized that there was more that we could do, more that could be done to help raise awareness for what these guys are going through," Visser said.

Through them, Visser got involved with media outreach for an amputee softball team and, shortly after that, he formed his football team, putting on games 2-3 times a year, including the Super Bowl.

"It's not hard for us; witness the fact that Drew Bledsoe's flying all the way back from Washington for this game," he said. "It's not hard for us to try to coax a few NFL alumni to come out and help us honor these wounded warrior amputees."

The WWAFT has held a few its 16 games at large venues, but most have been played at high school stadiums in cities and towns across the country, from Arizona to Texas, Louisiana to Virginia and beyond. Speaking about the incongruity of the team



Former Patriots great Drew Bledsoe will be playing in Saturday's game at Xaverian Brothers High School pitting the Wounded Warriors Amputee Football Team against New England's NFL Alumni.

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playing mainly at high school football fields while also appearing at the last six Super Bowls, Visser laughed.

"I don't want to sound corny, but that's part of the point," he said. "The point is: a community standing up, rising up to honor these men and women."

Focusing in on the upcoming game at Xaverian, he continued.

"I just think that this is a chance for – what I hope will happen in Norwood and Dedham and Westwood and the communities in the area – this is a chance for these local communities to show up," he said. "To use a phrase: represent. To come out and visibly show their respect for the service and sacrifice of these members of the military."

This game at Xaverian came about because of Visser's long friendship with Don Hasselback, whose two sons attended the high school, and because of his relationship with former New York Giants fullback and graduate Greg Comella. According to Visser, within five minutes of introducing himself to Coach Charlie Stevenson, he was told, "We would be honored to host your tribute."

The game itself is made up of two 30-minute halves, with the core of the Wounded Warrior Amputee Football Team made up of between 15-20 players and additional local amputees encouraged to join in.

Players are flown in for the weekend from their different regions of the country and in addition to playing the game, will make a nice time of it.

This weekend, the WWAFT will go to Quincy Market on Friday night and then attend the Boston Bruins game vs. the Toronto Maple Leafs on Saturday night before flying home on Sunday.

Former NFL player and coach Dick Jauron will coach the team for the game.

The 30 or so NFL alumni – with the exception of Bledsoe – will all be local, with around 15

of them coming from Boston College.

Joe Bellino – Heisman winner, Naval Academy graduate, Vietnam veteran, and former Patriot – will coach New England's NFL Alumni for the game.

Marathon amputees, supported and befriended during their rehabilitations by some of the same wounded warriors who will be playing, will be at the game to cheer them on.

Before the game, fans will be able to go onto the field to mingle with players, coaches, local sports celebrities, and whoever else happens to be there.

"The game is part of it, and it's fun, but it's just more about everyone being together," Visser said.

Proceeds from the event will go toward funding the next game (at Super Bowl LII in Minneapolis), but the prime beneficiary will be Sierra Delta: The Service Dog Network for Veterans.

"We are trying to call more attention to the need for service dogs," Visser said. "Dogs can provide so much help, comfort, assistance to, whether it's military dealing with TBI or CTE, or civilians dealing with some health issues. More can be done in this area, I believe, and that's why we adopted this cause."

In keeping with that theme, any attendees bringing dogs to the game will be allowed in free of charge.

Also, parents attending with a child who is wearing a uniform of any kind (team jersey, Scouts, Marching Band, etc.) will be allowed in free of charge.

Speaking of what he is hoping for on Saturday, Visser brought up a special expression for him.

"My late mother used to say, 'Make a memory,'" he said. "Make a memory,' and I'm hoping that the communities will make a memory."

Tickets cost \$10 for adults. Children, students, and military families may enter free of charge.

For more on this event, visit www.wwaft.org.

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Hyde Park Historical Society planning on planting 150 trees for 150th HP Anniversary



At Saturday's meeting, HPHS President Michael King outlined plans for planting 150 public trees throughout Hyde Park in celebration of its 150th Anniversary in 2018.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

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Staff Reporter

On Saturday, Nov. 4, about 15 members of the Hyde Park Historical Society gathered upstairs in Weld Hall in the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library for its monthly meeting.

The main item on the meeting's agenda was the Society's preliminary plans for Hyde Park's 150th Anniversary, which will be happening in 2018.

Its most fully developed goal for the celebration, as it stands now in its basic form, is to plant 150 trees throughout the neighborhood through October of next year.

As summed up by Society Vice President Tom Sullivan – who has been in contact with the City of Boston Arborist – everyone involved is working on it and “we’re on schedule.”

Aside from that basic tree planting plan, suggestions and ideas for fine tuning it were exchanged and built on throughout the meeting.

The idea was put forward to dedicate each of the 150 trees to worthy and noteworthy residents throughout the history of the town and neighborhood, with the suggestion made by Society curator John Thomson to have a commemorative plaque for each one.

Society President Michael King, when informed by Sullivan that there might not be 150 public spaces available in Hyde Park for these new trees,

suggested the option of planting them in front of the homes of those who they would be dedicated to.

“That would lend a little historical authenticity,” King said. “They are still public spaces; people will walk down the street. I don’t think we should turn Cleary Square into the Black Forest. But putting the trees in front of the homes... We certainly have at least 100 historical homes that really would be enhanced.”

King added another key point.

“We could also try to get the present owners and occupants to water the trees, which is really important,” he said.

Less formed ideas having to do with the tree planting concerned funding – King suggested hitting up Mayor Menino’s old campaign war chest, until he was informed that it had been in all likelihood dissolved – and planting additional trees and building a pocket park on the grounds of the HPL.

With the 150th Committee looking toward the Historical Society to hold a number of activities, still more incubatory plans were floated, including bringing in guest speakers (Readville native Dan Rhea was mentioned) and generating publicity on local cable networks.

“As part of our 150th Anniversary, I think we should really try to make a mark on Hyde Park,” King said. “Hyde Park has certainly made a mark on all of us, and we can return the favor.”

A more cantankerous suggestion was made by Thomson, in relation to the extensive renovation of the Main Branch and the poor condition of the floors in the HPL, proposing that through the HPL’s Board of Trustees, they try to get new floors installed by the end of the 150th year.

“Seeing \$70 million on that wonderful Downtown, and yet they can’t find \$10,000 for this type of thing,” Thomson said. “I think this is a travesty.”

In additional Hyde Park Historical Society news, it was agreed that the Society should be accepting historical Hyde Park documents and artifacts from the people of Hyde Park who may be interested in donating them to the HPHS collection.

In December, the HPHS will be celebrating its 140th birthday.

In other birthday news, John Thomson celebrated his 94th on Nov. 4 and, when he arrived a few minutes late (after waiting 45 minutes for the bus), the meeting was temporarily paused for the group to serenade him with “Happy Birthday” and “For He’s a Jolly Good Fellow.”

The Hyde Park Historical Society will meet again in November when Air Force Colonel Paul Murphy – described by King as being “a distinguished alumnus of (curator) Clare Pauley’s kindergarten class” – will be the guest speaker.

To contact the Hyde Park Historical Society, visit www.hydeparkhistoricalsociety.org.

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Around the Neighborhood

CITYWIDE

COPLEY SQUARE TREE LIGHTING NOV. 27

Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and The Friends of Copley Square welcome the holidays with the annual Copley Square Tree Lighting on Monday, Nov. 27, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The free event will feature appearances by NECN's Jenny Johnson, Santa Claus, and Rudolph along with musical performances by the Boston Children's Chorus, the Boston Pops Brass Quintet, and Berklee College of Music students Britani Washington and Sam Robbins.

The Old South Church bell will toll when the tree is illuminated. Light refreshments will be provided by local businesses New England Coffee, DAVIDsTEA, DASANI SPARKLING, HP Hood LLC, and New England Dairy & Food Council. The Fairmont Copley Plaza will host a family reception immediately following for all in attendance. The reception will include cookie decorating, photos with Santa and treats from the Fairmont Copley Plaza.

Even more festivities will take place in and around Copley Square on Nov. 27. The Boston Public Library and The Catered Affair will host a Storytime and Candy Cane Tea at the library from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. The tea is free but reservations are required by calling (617) 859-2272.

For additional information please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505. To learn more about The Friends of Copley Square, please visit

www.friendsofcopleysquare.org.
MAYOR WALSH LIGHTS COLUMBUS PARK TRELLIS NOV. 20

Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park, and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 15th annual lighting of the park's signature trellis on Monday, Nov. 20, beginning at 5 p.m.

Located at 110 Atlantic Ave. on Boston's historic waterfront, Christopher Columbus Park is transformed into a holiday wonderland when the park's 260 feet of trellis are set aglow with 50,000 blue lights along with 14 decorated trees near Tia's, the Marriott Long Wharf Hotel, and throughout the park.

Entertainment will be provided by students and instructors from the North End Music and Performing Arts Center, Berklee College's own Sam Robbins, singer Sharon Zeffiro performing a selection of holiday classics, and special guests Santa Claus, Rudolph, and Frosty. Refreshments, holiday treats, and giveaways will be provided by the Marriot Long Wharf Hotel, HP Hood LLC, Joe's American Bar & Grill Waterfront, New England Dairy & Food Council, and Magic 106.7.

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

COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

Boston University Upward Bound is currently accepting applications for their college preparation program from 9th

and 10th graders. Upward Bound serves 86 Boston Public High School Students by providing academic instruction, tutoring, social enrichment and personal support. This includes MCAS English, Math and Science prep, along with the SATs. The program is free and now has openings. The priority application deadline is Dec 1.

The high schools served by Upward Bound are Brighton High School, The English High School, Community Academy of Science and Health, Margarita Muniz Academy and Snowden International High School at Copley. 9th and 10th grade Boston Public School students living in Dorchester, East Boston, Mattapan, and Roxbury can also apply. Program services include an academically intensive six-week summer residential program (where students stay at Boston University!) and an afterschool program of tutoring and academic courses during the school year. Upward Bound services are located on the Boston University campus, which provides students with access to the University's resources. For an application and more information on the program contact us at 617 353-5195 or reggie@bu.edu.

ALLSTON/BRIGHTON

JORDAN MARSH: NEW ENGLAND'S LARGEST STORE/ RENOWNED AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN

Jordan Marsh: New England's Largest Store/ Renowned author and historian, Anthony Sammarco, talks about his book. Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Brighton Library/40 Academy Hill Road/(617)782-6032. Jordan Marsh opened in

1851. The store unveiled the novel concept of department shopping under one roof. It attracted shoppers by offering personal service with the adage that the customer is always right, easy credit, art exhibitions and musical performances. By the 1970s it had become a regional New England icon and the largest department store in the nation. Author and historian, Anthony Sammarco reveals the fascinating history of Boston's beloved Jordan Marsh. All are welcome.

ONE CITY ONE STORY

Join us Nov. 15, Wednesday morning 11:15 a.m./ Brighton Library/40 Academy Hill Road as we discuss the short story Relativity by Daphne Kalotay, the featured selection of the annual One City One Story annual event offered through the Boston Book Festival. Free Copies of the story are available at the library. All are welcome (617) 782-6032

CLASSICAL MUSIC THROUGH THE AGES WITH THE BOSTON PHILHARMONIC

As part of Boston Mosaic, the Boston Philharmonic presents an interactive concert of classical music through the ages. Enjoy the music, try an instrument, and learn more about where they come from. Suitable for all ages! The program will feature: Joseph Haydn, Quartet: Op 76. No. 4 Claude Debussy: Quartet (first 2 movements) Dmitri Shostakovich, Quartet No.3 (first 2 movements). The Event takes place on Monday, Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brighton Library.

HYDE PARK

SAINT ANNE'S LEGENDARY HOLIDAY BAZAAR

On Saturday, Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saint Anne's Parish, 20 Como Rd., Readville, will host its annual bazaar. This popular community event was revived two years ago. Saint Anne's, Saint Pius the 10th, and Most Precious Bloody parishes form the Blue Hills Catholic Collaborative. This year's highlights include awesome raffle prizes, cash, gift baskets galore, an over loaded White Elephant table, holiday novelties, books, toys, games, beautiful handmade items and of course FOOD. The bake table's homemade treats are always to die for. Lunch items will be available, along with popcorn and the world famous fried dough. At five o'clock a pasta dinner will be served followed by the raffle drawings. There will be fun activities for the youngsters and visits from a jolly guy in a red suit. Mark your calendars and prepare to have fun, meet old friends and make new ones at the Saint Anne's Bazaar. We'll see you there!

WEST ROXBURY ROSLINDALE

44TH ANNUAL WILLIAM S. CONLEY THANKSGIVING DINNER

On Thanksgiving Day the Exalted Ruler, Richard Disalvo and the Boston Elks #10 invite all senior citizens to the 44th Thanksgiving Dinner at the lodge located at 1 Morrell St., West Roxbury behind the West Roxbury VA Hospital. Doors open at 11 a.m. and dinners will be served at noon. FREE! For Meals to go, get in touch with ETHOS at 617-522-6700.

SANTA SCAMPER 5K ROAD RACE

Race Day Registration and Pre/Post Race Festivities Registration and pre/post race festivities at the Irish Social Club, 119 Park St. in West Roxbury, just a block from the race start/finish. Our Race Day Logistics page will keep you up to date! Race Course Start/finish at Parkway Community YMCA. Rolling course thru the West Roxbury neighborhood of Boston. Chip timing

On Dec. 10, 2017 the 5K will start at 11 a.m. The Kids Run at 10:15 a.m.

The Parkway Running Club (PRC) of West Roxbury, Mass. has hosted an annual Santa Scamper 5k road race since 1994. This race raises money for the Boston Globe Santa Fund, a charity to support children of need in Massachusetts.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM AT DEUTSCHES ALTENHEIM

Deutsches Altenheim will hold its annual Veterans Day remembrance program on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. Please join us at 2222 Centre St. in West Roxbury as we pay tribute to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

HOLY NAME CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

On Saturday, Nov. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 535 West Roxbury Parkway, Parish Hall Get a jump start on your Christmas shopping while having fun with family and friends. On Saturday, Nov. 11, Holy Name Parish School will be hosting its annual Christmas Bazaar featuring holiday shopping, photos with Santa Claus, plenty of great food items, raffle prize opportunities, fun children's activities and games, hair braiding, face painting, our annual Cake Walk, Basket Raffles and more. You'll also have the opportunity to purchase gifts from local businesses like Top it Off and Fabutique, as well as many talented crafters offering unique, homemade items. Proceeds from the day's event will go towards Holy Name Parish School. So bring the kids, tell a friend, drive a neighbor, stop by for an hour or join us for the entire day – it's sure to be a fun-filled event.

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Local firefighter hosting basketball tournament for cure

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Local firefighter Jorge Diaz said he's well aware of the cancer risks his job entails, and said this year he decided to do something about it.

"The Boston Fire Department deals with its members being diagnosed with cancer almost on a daily basis," Diaz said. "What better way to raise money than to get firefighters together and play? I have been a Boston Firefighter for six years; we are all too familiar with the Fire Department's ongoing battle with cancer. We have lost too many brothers and sisters to cancer and we cannot stop fighting back. Raising funds for cancer research is a great way to help find a cure and stop losing our loved ones to this devastating disease."

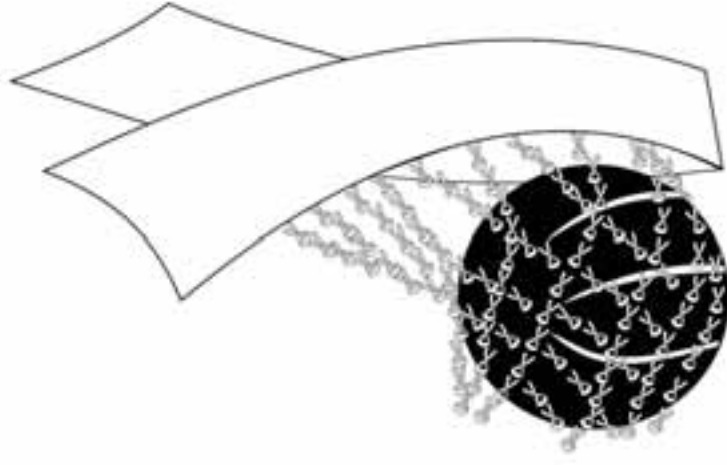
The first ever Fast Attack Charity Basketball Tournament will take place on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. at the Archdale Community Center on 125 Brookway Rd. in Roslindale. Diaz said he has a personal connection, as his father was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer about three years ago.

"We were at the Boston

Medical Center and the doctors told us to start getting all the funeral arrangements in order and make sure everything is ready when he goes because he doesn't have much time," he said. "We transferred him to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and they said that was nonsense, they had a few more things to try. After two years of basically being bedridden, he's up and driving and doing things he wasn't doing before."

Diaz said he was so grateful that he started looking for ways to help Dana-Farber do more, and he came up with the Fast Attack Charity Basketball Tournament. He said because Dana-Farber was able to help him and his dad, he wants them to help as many people as possible.

"I try to donate as much as I can, so I came up with the tournament," he said. "I don't like just asking people for money, so I'd rather give them some-



thing to do."

Diaz said he also wanted the event to work towards community building. He said the event will be family friendly and hopes to have more than eight teams face off in a single-elimination challenge.

"You're not only donating to Dana-Farber, but you're getting in time you can share with your coworkers against other departments," he said. "I want it to create a friendly rivalry between the departments, make sure they have a good time and have the tournament grow year after year. I'm just trying to raise as much money as possible. Dana-Farber has done a lot for me and a lot for a lot of other people. I can't do much,

but I'm trying to do something."

Diaz said he's working to make the day a good time for everyone, saying that if the kids aren't big basketball fans then they would have other activities to take part in.


"I'm going to have someone there to entertain them while their parents play," he said. "We're going to have a 50/50

raffle, the Red Sox donated an autographed picture of Brock Holt, and I'm still working to get donated items. I'm still brainstorming ideas for kids' activities too."

Diaz said he's reached out to 20 departments so far and may reach out to the Boston EMS and Police Departments, to give the tournament an extra little piece of rivalry between the teams.

"Eventually I would like to expand to figure out how to expand from outside the city and have the state come in, but I'm taking small steps for now," he said.

For more information, go to gofundme.com/fastattack



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friends. Funeral was from Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, 22 Oak St., Hyde Park, Mass. A Mass of Christian Burial was at Most Precious Blood Church, Hyde Park. Interment was private at family's request. Paul was a long time employee of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission and a proud Coast Guard Veteran. In lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to www.danafarber.org Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home

GALBATO
Vincent A. Of Fairhaven, formerly of Hyde Park, Oct. 29, age 93. Beloved husband of Eileen A. (Leahy) of 70 years. Devoted father of Daniel and his wife Karen of N. Easton, Vincent of Fairhaven, Brian of Florida, Debra Costello and her husband Daniel of Hyde Park, Lynda Galbato and her spouse Michelle of Abington and the late Eileen Galbato. Cherished brother of the late Carmella Zalewski and Clara Akusis. Loving "Papa" of 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, in-laws and friends. Funeral was from the Carroll-Thomas Funeral Home, 22 Oak St., HYDE PARK. A Mass of Christian Burial was at Most Precious Blood Church, Hyde Park. Interment was at New Calvary Cemetery. Vinny was a former Grand Knight of Readville K of C and very active in Hyde Park Little League. Please, in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to: www.michaeljfox.org. For directions & guestbook, please visit: thomasfuneralhomes.com

FIRNSTEIN
Charles F. U.S. Army Veteran Of Hyde Park, Oct. 1. Beloved husband of Joan A. (Bresnahan). Devoted father of Jennifer Phelan and her husband Dan of Westborough, Lauren Firnstein of Hyde Park, Jeffrey Firnstein and his wife

Sally of West Roxbury and the late Matthew Thomas Firnstein. Brother of Robert J. Firnstein of Hopkinton. Grandfather of Charles and Siobhan. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday at Most Precious Blood Church, 37 Maple St., Hyde Park at 10 o'clock. Visiting hours will be held at the Laughlin, Nichols & Pennacchio Funeral Home, 34 Oak St., HYDE PARK, Thursday from 4-8 p.m. Military honors will be held at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, Friday at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Late Vietnam Army Veteran, recipient of the Air Medal. Late member of the Fogg-Roberts Post AL and the DAV. Retired employee US Postal Service. Expressions of sympathy may be

JANSKY
June V. (Culbert) Of Hyde Park, passed away peacefully after a long illness on Nov. 1, 2017, with her loving family at her side. She was born and raised by her mother, Ida Culbert, in Rahway, N.J. with her siblings, Robert, Fred, and Donald. June relocated to Massachusetts in the early 1950s, where she met and married her husband of 64 years, Allan Jansky, before his passing in 2015. She is survived by her loving son and daughter in law, Allan and Anita Jansky of Saugus; daughter and son in law, Linda and John Fortier of Foxboro; and her beloved granddaughter, Lindsey Fortier of Foxboro. Friends and family are invited to pay their respects on Sunday, Nov. 12, from 1-5 p.m., with words of remembrance at 4:30, at the Folsom Funeral Home, 87 Milton St., DEDHAM. In lieu of flowers, donations in honor of June may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of America, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452. For obituary, guestbook, and directions, please visit website.

Hyde Park Youth Basketball Extended Registration

The Hyde Park Youth Basketball Association will hold player evaluations and extended registration on Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Hyde Park Municipal Building. The evaluation originally scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 11 has been cancelled due to the holiday. Players may register between the hours of 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The schedule for player evaluations on both these dates is as follows:
9 a.m. – 9-year-olds; 10 a.m. – 10-year-olds; 11 a.m. – 11-year-olds; noon – 12-year-olds; 1 p.m. – 13-year-olds; 2 p.m. – 14-year-olds.



For more information, check out the league website at: HydeParkYBA.com.

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of the issues with Yard 5 in regards to National Grid possibly dumping contaminated dirt onsite and disrupting the neighborhood around the clock. He was also asked to recap the Traffic Meeting regarding the Father Hart Bridge that had been held a few weeks earlier.

In his recap, he went over the proposal to put lights on either side of the bridge. He also shared the suggestion given by a resident at the Oct. 10 meeting to combine the two bus stops on the Hyde Park Avenue side of the bridge and in Wolcott Square and to create a transportation hub in the commuter rail parking lot located on the opposite side of the railroad tunnel from the Square.

Martin also mentioned the proposal made to use Jeremiah Hurley Park as a turnaround for the bus, as opposed to the hairpin U-turn maneuver that it is currently forced to use.

"I think the big thing, like Craig says, would be if there would be any way – I'm sure the MBTA's not going to allow it – of moving the bus stop into the car lot," said one attendee of the meeting. "And then that frees up all of Wolcott Square because it doesn't hurt businesses."

Keep Hyde Park Beautiful member Joe Smith also recapped the Costume Clean-Up on Oct. 28, while reiterating the group's purpose, and its experiences when visiting other neighborhood associations.

"We've been out to a lot of neighborhood associations but, unfortunately, they think we're coming to clean up their neighborhood, and what we're trying to impress upon them is that we are an effort that would like them to take some responsibility for their own neighborhoods," he said.

Overall, however, he was satisfied with KHPB's progress.

"I think we're getting some publicity that we mean business and are here to stay," Smith said.

Regarding neighborhood problems, Business Street residents at the meeting complained about the consistent speeding and reckless driving occurring on their street, while suggesting as a solution the possibility of making it one way.

Community Liaison Stephen Maguire, from District 5 Councilor Tim McCarthy's Office, gave an overview of the process.

"For a one way, you need 71 percent of the entire street to agree upon it," he said, noting that this would include businesses, residents, tenants, and landlords to agree.

Maguire also announced that 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. resident parking is scheduled to go into effect for Maple, Oak, and Pine streets beginning on Monday, Nov. 13. This will be for weekdays only, and was done in response to Hyde Park Station commuters taking much of the street parking in that neighborhood.

The neighborhood started the process about eight months ago and it too required a 71 percent vote.

Parking stickers can be obtained by visiting City Hall, or by visiting City Hall to Go, which is parked outside the BCYF/Municipal Building from noon - 2 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month, and from 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month.

In the police report, three drug arrests were made between Oct. 19 and Oct. 25 within about a two block range between B Street, Rite Aid and McDonald's.

On Oct. 26, there was an attempted larceny of a copper downspout from a house on Maple Street. The following day, downspouts were damaged at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library.

In a final item of note, there will be a Hyde Park 150th Anniversary planning meeting on Thursday, Nov. 9 at the BCYF/Municipal Building at 6:30 p.m. Ideas and volunteers are welcome.

The next Hyde Park Neighborhood Association meeting will be on Thursday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.

Clare Avenue Neighborhood Watch Airs Grievances over MBTA Buses

Matthew Allen
Staff Reporter

The Clare Avenue Neighborhood Watch met last week at 194 Clare Ave. to air out grievances regarding certain Hyde Park MBTA buses – Route 32 in particular – and to review the area's recent police log.

The ever-growing problem of overcrowding on the bus was the main issue discussed at the meeting. Many residents voiced their displeasure with the MBTA on the subject.

"It just seems like the 32 fills up to quickly," Group Co-Leader June Picket said. "I think it's because of all the school kids. Maybe they need to alter the bus schedule to accommodate all those kids better."

Massachusetts Democrat State Rep. Russell Holmes, in attendance at the meeting, attributed this to the high usage rate of the Hyde Park Avenue route.

"The 32 bus is one of the busiest in the system," he said. "If it's rush hour, the 32 bus is going to be packed. I mean, it's literally one of the top 10 busiest bus routes in the entire state."

Holmes continued by saying that adding more 32 buses would worsen road congestion.

"They can't add more buses because of headway," he said. "We have to get the buses down the street; this is a very busy street we are trying to get it down during the middle of rush hour. Adding more would just bunch them all together."

"So, if you're already seeing them bunched, what that will do now by adding less of a cycle time, runway time, or headway time, is not going to solve it," Holmes elaborated. "If we can get the buses



Residents of Clare Avenue met and discussed ongoing issues from the Route 32 bus.

PHOTO BY MATTHEW ALLEN

through that zone, they can turn around and come on back."

As with most CANW meetings, District E-18 Boston Police Officer Paul Broderick reviewed the recent police log for the area.

The Walgreens parking lot at 980 American Legion Highway was the location of both drug crimes that took place, with one even involving a victim being arrested on Oct. 12 and charged with possession and intent to distribute oxycodone.

In the only instance of a robbery for the month, the victim met two subjects via Craigslist on Oct. 27, at a Hyde Park Avenue address to sell his cell phone.

When he got to the meeting location, suspect No. 1 took the phone, refusing to give it back, while the second suspect made threats to the victim.

The suspects left the immediate scene, but remained in a close by area, allowing for police to find them and arrest them soon after this all occurred.

Although there were no shootings reported for the past month, Picket said she was concerned about all the gun violence in Boston as of late.

"There are an awful lot of shootings going on around the city," Picket said. "I'm glad that nothing I've heard has come up in Hyde Park but, I mean, they've been happening in Milton, Jamaica Plain and Dorchester. It just seems they've ramped up a lot."

District E-18 Sgt. Daniel MacDonald, who attended the meeting along with Broderick, addressed her concerns while trying to put her mind at ease.

"Yes, it does seem that way, especially if you're listening to the news," MacDonald said. "It (shootings) usually does influx up and down, but there is no rise in Hyde Park."

In a last item of note, at the prior Clare Avenue meeting, Group Co-Leader Rosa Machado had expressed concerns regarding the continuation of the group, which has been in existence for ten years running.

For the foreseeable future, the meetings will continue at 194 Clare Ave., the next of which will be held on Dec. 6.



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Smashing pumpkins for compost



Dozens of residents came out on Saturday for the first-ever Massachusetts Ecovation Center's Pumpkin Smash. The event was held to help raise awareness and provide some much needed nitrogen in the center's compost.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Last Saturday saw pumpkin guts fly to help the City of Boston reduce waste and raise awareness on the importance of composting.

The City of Boston and the Massachusetts Ecovation Center held a pumpkin smashing session in conjunction with City Soil on American Legion Highway on Saturday. Residents picked up baseball bats and did what is normally considered vandalism, but it was all for a good cause.

City Soil Director Bruce Fulford said the event was to help raise awareness more than anything else.

"It's awesome and it's great, and the quantity of pumpkins getting smashed make a small amount of better quality compost, richer, more nutritious for the plants, but it's the kind of community engagement that's really important to let the community understand this resource," he said. "It's a lot of fun, it's edu-

cational, and the weather cooperated fabulously."

Susan Cacino, the City of Boston's Recycling Director said though the nitrogen provided by the pumpkins will give the compost a bit of a boost, the event will help the city to get to zero waste by raising awareness of the need to reduce the waste stream.

"In the fall it's mostly leaves that get picked up for leaf and yard waste collection, which is mostly a brown material for high carbon, but the pumpkins represent a nitrogen material which is a nice added ingredient which will help accelerate the decomposition process because it's balancing out the carbon," she said. "We're trying to build awareness about the city's Zero Waste Plan, and we've got to raise awareness about how to reduce waste in the city and eventually eliminate it."

Fulford said he was really happy to facilitate the event with the city, and said he thinks it will go a long way to helping to reduce the waste

stream and get more ideas into the process.

"So what we want to do, as a number of cities and countries around the world do, is they integrate their municipal composting with education and community engagement, so this is a really good event that the city has brought to this project and we're just helping out," he said.

City of Boston Superintendent of Waste Reduction Rob DeRosa said they are currently starting work on the 2019 waste collection and disposal contracts, and they want to try to get curbside pickup for composting for this upcoming contract.

"We're in the infancy stages of it right now, because the contracts expire in 2019, so right now we're right in the exploratory phase," he said. "We have a consultant to help the city look into zero waste planning... They'll come up with some ideas to have a

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Neponset dumping big issue at Pierce Street



Residents voiced their concerns on Tuesday regarding the illegal dumping still taking place at the Neponset River.

PHOTO BY ARIANE KOMYATI

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

The Pierce St. Neighborhood Watch held their monthly meeting on Nov. 7 at the Hyde Park Foursquare Church. Hot topics for the meeting included recent crime, illegal dumping, and the Boston Clean Energy Coalition.

A big point of discussion at the meeting was the illegal dumping taking place at the Neponset River, which has been a concern to residents for many years now. One community member has found many toys and diapers in the river, and has seen people dumping items such as yard waste, landscaping materials, and even a mattress.

"Make sure to take pictures and report it to the police when you see illegal dumping taking place," District E-18 Boston Police Officer Paul Broderick told the Pierce St. Neighborhood Watch.

The meeting opened with Officer Paul Broderick reading the monthly police report. This included two do-

mestic assault and batteries, two breaking and entering incidents, five larcenies, no auto thefts, no drug incidents, and one robbery, where \$8,500 was stolen.

"It feels like there's been more crime than usual," noted one concerned resident.

The meeting was attended by James Michel and the Steering Team for the Boston Clean Energy Coalition (BCEC). The BCEC wants to create a space that accelerates efforts in Boston to transition to a clean, green economy. BCEC currently focuses on halting the expansion of fracked gas and other fossil-fuel infrastructure while promoting net-zero carbon standards for the built environment.

Michel had good news to share regarding the BCEC.

"Last month, the City Council held a public hearing to consider authorizing the adoption of Community Choice Energy (CCE) in Boston. The next day, the Council voted unanimously

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City Council rebukes BPS transportation

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council had some tough words for the Boston Public Schools (BPS) Transportation Department last week after they say savings promised in the Fiscal Year 2017 budget have not been realized.

The BPS Transportation budget for the 2017-18 school year was \$104 million, and the BPS promised a savings of \$10 million. The 2018-19 school year budget has risen to \$116 million for transportation. At-Large City Councilor Anissa Essaibi-George said she is calling a hearing with BPS to figure out the discrepancy.

“During this most recent process for the FY18 budget, there were some things that took us by surprise and one of those items was that the city and the school department didn’t realize the savings that we had anticipated as a council within the transportation portion of the budget,” she said. “I think it’s incredibly important to review the budget, especially with the schools being such a large item of the city’s budget and, in particular, the transportation budget is such a large item.”

BPS recently told the Bulletin that they are on track for a savings of \$3-5 million from the MIT implemented system of algorithms and bus route changes that had also helped to reduce bus delays. Essaibi-George said the new system has not gone far enough.

“I will note, and I think most of us have seen the most recent reports that one out of 10 school buses is late, arriving to school every day and as a recent participant in attendance symposium for the BPS, I know how important it is for our kids to be on time for school every day, not rushing in at the last minute as they won’t be prepared for their academic studies for the day,” she said.

District 7 City Councilor Tito Jackson said this is the latest in a series of missteps for the BPS Transportation Department.

“We’ve been misled again. Folks came to this body and told us that we were going to save \$10 million last year, and we were told this year that we were going to have savings and we know that not only do we not have savings, we have worse service,” he said, adding that just last year the BPS took seventh and eighth graders off the BPS transportation system to be moved by the MBTA, like high school kids currently are. “We have



Buses and student transportation are not up to snuff according to the Boston City Council.

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an increase in cost with less service to our young people.”

Jackson also pointed out that the MIT process was implemented without any input from the public.

“The process that occurred with the MIT implementation, families were not included and communities were not included,” he said. “By the way, the bus drivers, the people who actually drive the buses were not actually to the table on this issue.”

Jackson said that there are currently constituents who have had to move due to unforeseen circumstances, and the bus roster doesn’t keep up. He said one constituent was displaced by fire and now has to take somewhat extreme action to get her child to school every day.

“We now have a constituent who Ubers her child to school every day; she can’t afford it, but she’s doing what she has to do,” he said. “We can’t delay.”

District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy said he was happy the city partnered with MIT for the increased efficiency, but felt that for his district in Roslindale and Hyde Park, there is a glaring problem that seems to be a root for all the issues currently facing the BPS Transportation Department.

“I was happy that the administration went forward with MIT to try to alleviate a problem that’s been happening since 1974,” he said. “I would also argue that one in 10 buses are late because they’re traveling from Readville to East Boston, and we talked about this at the last hearing. Literally, from the Readville Yard, you could probably kick a soccer ball into Dedham; it is the worst spot you could possibly have a bus yard. It doesn’t make any sense to transport 300 buses from there.”

McCarthy said the buses also add to the congestion in the area for everyone and can make more than students late for their appointments.

“I have a ton of traffic

problems in my area, and I know that everybody has traffic problems,” he said. “We have 300-plus buses; that’s 300-plus drivers driving their cars into the yard, and that’s 300 buses leaving, several trips a day back and forth and then they all leave again. We’re talking about 2,000 trips coming throughout neighborhood.”

At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty said he still sees problems with BPS’ check of the bus rosters. While the district said they have been making improvements to their roster system and have eliminated dozens of stops from many routes, he said there are still buses stopping to pick up students who have notified the BPS that they are no longer taking that bus.

“I witnessed firsthand because my children attend the BPS; you get the notice just before school starts as to whether or not you want to take advantage of school transportation and you clearly let them know that you don’t, and yet my kids were on the list for the entire school year,” he said. “It’s completely wasted.”

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to do so, and Mayor Walsh signed the authorization,” Michel stated. CCE will provide affordable, clean energy to all Bostonians.

The CCE leverages the purchasing power of the city to find an energy provider with more wind or solar sources. Currently, the city’s default provider Eversource has 7 percent renewable energy, and this would push it up another 5 percent to a total of 12 percent, with an opt-in option for 100 percent renewable. For more information about the BCEC, visit BostonCleanEnergyCoalition.org or email Michel at jom45@aol.com.

The last topic of discussion was the 3rd Annual Hyde Park Thanksgiving In-

terfaith Service, which will be held at Family Life Fellowship on Friday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. Pastor Karen asks people to bring nonperishable items to the service, as the church will be collecting them as well as a free-will offering for the Hyde Park food pantry again this year. The churches expected to be represented this year are Hope Baptist, Hyde Park Presbyterian, Church Blue Hills Collaborative, New Hope Baptist, and Family Life Fellowship.

The next Pierce St. Neighborhood Watch meeting will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 5. For more information on the efforts to clean up the Neponset and ways you can help to keep the river free of pollution, go to Neponset.org.

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total of 8,901 votes were cast with 109 write-in votes.

In District 1, Lydia Edwards, former Deputy Director for Housing Stability, won the district against Steven Passacantilli 6,897 to 6,168 in a close race to take over for current councilor Salvatore LaMattina. A total of 13,081 votes were cast with 17 write-in votes.

“Thank you to all of our supporters who made tonight’s victory,” she said. “I couldn’t have done this without you.”

In District 2, currently vacant after councilor Bill Linehan vacated his seat early to pursue private consulting, son of former Mayor Raymond Flynn Edward Flynn also had a close race with 7,458 votes against Michael Kelley’s 6,950 votes. A total of 14,458 ballots were cast with 50 write-in votes.

Incumbents took home their seats in the other district races, with Josh Zakim beating Kristen Mobilia in District 8 with 3,995 votes against her 1,936. In District 9, Mark Ciommo beat Brandon Bowser with 4,672 votes to 2,911.

Incumbents also took the race in the At-Large race, with Michelle Wu, Ayanna Pressley, Michael Flaherty and Anissa Essaibi-George handily taking the win. Wu came in with 64,978 votes, Pressley with 57,479, Flaherty with 51,621 and Essaibi-George with 45,524. Althea Garrison and Domingos DaRosa were the two challengers to go over double digits, with Garrison taking 18,239 votes and DaRosa taking 11,634. William King took 8,756 votes and Pat Payaso took 6,113.



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Date: October 20, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin, 11/09/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. SU17P2332EA

Estate of: Gayle Beverly Luciano Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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Date of Death: 07/30/2017

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 30, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin, 11/09/2017

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE DOCKET No. SU17P2254EA

Estate of: **Caroline Lander** Suffolk Division
Also Known As: Caroline R. Lander/Caroline Rolls Lander
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
Suffolk Division Docket No. SU16P2910EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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Estate of: Ruth G. Hogardt

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The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. SU17P2164EA

Estate of: Elizabeth G. Wyche Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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Date of Death: 09/05/2017

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more global perspective. We kind of get set in our ways here and that will help us to come up with some new ideas.”

DeRosa said they’ve come a long way in waste reduction, citing the examples of the yard and leaf waste pickup that now takes place every fall.

“We added four weeks to leaf and yard waste collection in 2014, we put a complete ban on yard waste (in the regular trash stream), we used to basically just collect it and throw it in the trash, but our current mayor, Mayor Marty Walsh, said nope, it’s got to go where it’s supposed to go and he told us to leave it on the curb and that’s what happened,” DeRosa said. “We’ve seen the volumes increase over the past few years quite a bit.”

Resident Kyle Davis said it was his first time out at the Ecovation Center, but he was happy to see so many having a good time and letting off a bit of steam. He said he’d love to come back and learn more.

“It’s great, it’s good to see people come out and let out some of this week’s rage on some pumpkins, it’s really a great site,” he said.

Boston’s Chief of Streets Chris Osgood said the program is a great example of how the city can work with public and private composters to make a better, cleaner and more productive city.

“We’re very fortunate to have collaboration between the City of Boston and City Soil to take organics out of the residential waste stream and return them to compost and put them to things like community gardens in the city,” he said. “We’re happy to support this event that both highlights one element of organic waste for this time of year, which is pumpkins, and bring to the site here and allow them to become compost.”



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