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The 63 units proposed for 1201 River St. in Hyde Park are designed to be for seniors, but residents said they don't feel 55 and older qualifies as senior housing.

COURTESY PHOTO

## HPNA less than thrilled with B'nai B'rith proposed housing

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) met on Nov. 4 and discussed the proposal from international Jewish service community B'nai B'rith about a new 63-unit building at 1201 River St. in Hyde Park.

Development attorney representing B'nai B'rith John Pulgini said the building will be for seniors and residents over the age of 55. He said there are 41 proposed off-street parking spaces, four stories of height and one-bedroom units only.

"This proposal would be as-of-right," Pulgini said.

This rubbed some HPNA members the wrong way. Member Jim Kirker pointed out that

the state of Massachusetts defines seniors or elderly residents as over the age of 60, and since this doesn't require that range, it would not be an as-of-right building under the rules of senior housing. He said senior housing also requires a common dining room area and personal healthcare, which the proposal also doesn't provide.

"This does not fit the description of elderly housing," he said. "And it seems like you're calling it elderly housing so you can do the .5 parking space-per-unit ratio instead of the 1. I think if this doesn't fit the elderly housing definition then you're going to have to do the one parking space per unit or you're going to have to seek a variance."

Pulgini said they have not re-

ceived any such indication that senior housing required a minimum age of 60 years for residents.

"It is senior housing as defined; we have met with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA). I've done these projects for the Planning Office of Urban Affairs for the Catholic Church all throughout the city, and this project is defined by the BPDA as senior housing," he said. "If that's an argument you want to make, you should bring it up to the BPDA through letters or whatever."

Resident Linda White asked Pulgini about the fact that the site is located in Neighborhood Shopping District 2 (NS-2) and

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The Doris Bunte Apartments at 1990 Columbus Avenue from Dixwell Street.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

## Doris Bunte Apartments ready for renovation

Richard Heath  
Staff Reporter

The Egleston Square landmark Doris Bunte Apartments, the only cylindrical tower in Boston, will undergo a complete renovation for the first time since it opened in June 1970.

The 20-story tower was designed by Isidore Richmond and Carney Goldberg in 1968 as part of Washington Park Urban Renewal.

Richmond also designed the Egleston branch library in 1952.

The concrete and masonry tower has 165 apartments, each with its own balcony, of mostly studios (106) and its own shady park of over an acre.

According to the Boston Housing Authority (BHA), 133 of the residents are over 62 years old with disabilities; as of June 2021, 170 residents lived there.

Originally called Walnut Park it was always colloquially called "The Roundhouse" and can be seen as far away as the Arnold Arboretum.

On March 27, 2018 it was renamed for Doris Bunte, the former Roxbury state representative appointed in 1984 as administrator of the BHA by then Boston Mayor Ray Flynn.

Bunte died in February 2021 at age 87.

A letter of intent was filed with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) on June 14, 2021 and the Article 80 Project

Doris Bunte Renovation

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## Pantries, local organizations gearing up for Thanksgiving

### Volunteers urgently needed

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The COVID-19 Pandemic and its associated lockdown generated a sharp increase in unemployment and, with people out of work, the demands on food pantries increased dramatically. However, now that the panic has diminished and many have returned to work, a kind of "pandemic fatigue" appears to have set in. Even though the need still exists for many in the community, there has

been a letdown in volunteers and donations.

Rose's Bounty Food Pantry Director Darra Slagle in West Roxbury said the increase in food costs has made buying food more difficult than ever.

"The need has not gone down," she said. "We're getting more people every month. Unfortunately, I thought things would start to get better, but with rising costs it's much harder. I mean I went to the su-

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Turkey deliveries are going out too, like this delivery from the Dimock Center last week..

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# Columbus Avenue Center-Running Bus Lanes Now Open



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# Dancer from WR to play Fritz in Boston Ballet's Nutcracker

**Ariane Komyati**  
Staff Reporter

Isaiah Lee-Armandt is a 13-year-old from West Roxbury and has been dancing since he was only six years old.

His mom took him to see the Nutcracker when he was little, and knew he wanted to do ballet ever since. This Winter, Lee-Armandt will be dancing in The Boston Ballet's Nutcracker as Fritz, the main boy lead, opposite Clara. The Nutcracker opens Nov. 26 at the Citizens Bank Opera House with performances through Dec. 26.

Lee-Armandt said he's very excited to play Fritz, but a bit nervous, too.

"Fritz is a lead role, and if I make a mistake then pretty much everyone will know," he said. "However, part of being a performer is knowing what to do if things go wrong; hopefully I will not have to do that. But I am also really excited - the Nutcracker was canceled last year due to the pandemic so I think that this year people will be looking forward to going back to the theater, and the Nutcracker is a holiday classic. So having the chance to play Fritz is an amazing opportunity, especially since I am friends with the main girl lead, Clara."



Isaiah Lee-Armandt

The young performer auditioned and began rehearsing for the Nutcracker production in October. He will continue rehearsals through November, which includes costume fittings with Boston Ballet's Costume Shop. He said he is experiencing a unique backstage atmosphere with technical and dress rehearsals as well as performances accompanied by the Boston Ballet Orchestra.

Lee-Armandt said he enjoys many aspects of ballet - he said he loves the feeling he gets after completing a complicated sequence, performing on stage,

the energy of being backstage, and being a part of the production.

"I love the process of being part of creating a production that people enjoy - and everyone loves the Nutcracker!" he said. "The dancers are all professionals so it is fun to be talking about regular stuff backstage, like fantasy football, but seconds later you have to transform into your character onstage."

Boston Ballet's training schedule can be very intense

**Nutcracker**

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that requires that it not have ground-floor parking.

"I thought that I had read everything that the City of Boston bylaws put out, but then again you said they're going to have 41 parking spaces?" she said. "How can that be in NS-2?"

Pulgini said the ground-floor parking is an allowed use.

Resident Craig Martin said he did not feel this was an as-of-right project due to the parking, as he believed NS-2 does not allow first-floor parking, but Pulgini said it is allowed if it is considered accessory parking. Martin also agreed with Kirker that he did not believe it to be senior building.

"I was at every zoning meeting for two years when we wrote (Hyde Park's zoning) Article 69," he said. "Elderly services, in our minds at the time, was nursing homes. It was not for working citizens who were 55 or older. That was not our intent for elderly services."

Other residents were against the proposal because the first-floor parking negated the possibility of commercial space at the site. Pulgini said they would be working with the businesses currently there to relocate them to another site, but residents were still concerned about the loss of

retail space in the neighborhood.

"We're working with the businesses to find them other locations. I know everyone on this call knows that if this was a private developer who came in and did this, those people (commercial tenants) would be served notice to vacate the premises, as they're all tenants at will," Pulgini said. "But luckily for them, this is an affordable housing project monitored by the federal government. They will receive monies through the relocation process."

One resident said that the project would take out four retail spaces and only provide the equivalent of one. "If you walk through Logan or Cleary Squares right now, do you know what the vacancy rate is right now?" he asked.

Pulgini said the vacancy rate is about 30 percent - though residents debated him on that. He said the additional housing would provide more demand for commercial and retail space. Several residents said they didn't believe seniors living in affordable housing would have any disposable income to spend in the square on things like restaurants and bars.

The Boston Planning and

Development Agency will be hosting public meetings on the proposal in, as it ticks off the Article 80 Public Review process.

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

—V.C

### Novena to St. Clare

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# Pantries *continued from page 1*

permarket myself the other day and spent \$70. I looked and all I got was toilet paper and tonic water! That's how much it cost. So we're trying our best to make sure we get a good amount of things like produce to folks because we know those are the most expensive items right now."

Slagle said she sympathizes with volunteer fatigue, but pointed out it can always be worse.

"I know volunteers are tired, but they can't be as tired as people who can't afford to buy food at the grocery store," she said. "It really breaks my heart."

Slagle said they are looking for more volunteers, and not just for helping to pack and distribute the 13,000 pounds of food they're getting this month.

She said they have senior programs, lunch backpack programs and veterans meal delivery programs they always need help with. The upcoming food distributions for the pantry are on Nov. 13 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Nov. 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, program details and ways to volunteer, go to [Stratfordstreetunitedchurch.org/food-pantry-overview.html](http://Stratfordstreetunitedchurch.org/food-pantry-overview.html)

The Allston Brighton Food Pantry runs out of the Brighton Congregational Church at 404 Washington St. in Brighton. Organizer Pamela Cannon said they are managing their regular distributions right now, but could use some consistent help.

We need volunteers on a regular basis, but that's just not happening here," she said. "Cannon said the pantry has

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regular distributions on Wednesdays starting at 4 p.m. with the inclusion of a bag of foodstuffs and a fully-prepared meal. She said on every other Saturday, they give out 100 boxes of food as well.

"They're feeding a lot of people and they also have a thrift shop," she said. "We're selling everything for a dollar and it's really nice. You can come here and get food, clothing and house ware items. It does a lot for the community... I'm just trying to get consistent volunteers here, because we have so many projects and the thrift store really needs help."

For more information on distributions or volunteer hours, go to <http://abfoodpantry.com/>

The Roslindale Food Pantry is also looking for more regular volunteers. Food Pantry Director Rosemary Braverman said they need two kinds of people: people who can regularly volunteer during the weekdays and people who can lift heavy things repeatedly. She said they have a lot of school-age volunteers right now, but their weekday schedules are usually filled with sports or other extra-curricular activities that prohibit them from volunteering during its Wednesday collections (the distributions are every Saturday, excluding

Nov. 27 and Dec. 25, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.).

"All the kids these days are back in school and they have to do community service," she said. "So I'm getting all kinds of emails, from the parents mostly, asking for volunteer hours. So I'm covered for volunteers on Saturdays because of that. It's hard to get volunteers during the week. I'm 70 but I can lift 50 pounds. But other people who are my age they don't want to lift. But that's kind of all I have to do during the week."

The food Pantry has distributed fixings and a \$40 gift card to residents at the Roslindale House and the Longfellow House senior housing centers. Braverman said they don't want to do full turkeys, as in the past they've had fewer people sign up than they thought and were stuck with 40 or so turkeys they couldn't store. So this serves as a nice stand in.

"We do everything but turkeys; stuffing gravy, etc., and the \$40 gift cards will buy the turkeys," she said. "I don't do the turkeys anymore, I'm just going to do these gift cards and I'm sure that will buy a turkey."

For more information on the Roslindale Food Pantry, go to <https://roscon.org/food-pantry/>

Several other programs are also using this method, includ-

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ing turkey dinner delivery programs at several local YMCAs, funded and organized through the United Way. Residents can inquire at their local YMCAs about the program and register before Nov. 12 for a turkey dinner. If your closest Y is already maxed out on participants, you can reach out to other participating YMCAs. Participating YMCAs include Oak Square Hyde Park, Washington Beech in Roslindale, Roxbury, Huntington, Egleston Square and Charleston to name a few. For more information on how to volunteer with the United Way, go to <https://bit.ly/3D00eNd>.

The Hyde Park Food Pantry at the Hyde Park Community Center at 1179 River St. is open 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information on distributions or volunteer hours, go to [Hydeparkfoodpantry.org](http://Hydeparkfoodpantry.org). The Rehoboth Baptist Church of Boston at 931 Hyde Park Ave. also does distributions. For more information, go to <http://www.rehobothbc.org/>.

And finally, the Boston ABCD has food pantries all over the city. For more information on specific neighborhood pantries, go to [Bostonabcd.org/service/food-pantries/](http://Bostonabcd.org/service/food-pantries/)

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## Letters to the Editor

### PLEASE CONSIDER SENIORS' SITUATION

*To the Editor:*

On Election Day as I went to vote, I found out by calling Boston's Election department there were three ballot questions. I was told they were on the City's web site and/or told to read them on the ballot. Not a good idea in a pandemic to stand around a polling area with a lot of other people.

The City of Boston needs to get it through its collective head there are senior citizens who don't own computers nor know how to access a web site. (I use a computer at the library.) I know four seniors in their 80s in this area who have no desire to learn or struggle with a computer at this age and they also still write checks, as do I. I also know one 70 something who voted by mail and was unaware of Question No. 1 involving changing the budgeting process. Why? The card sent out on binding Ballot question number one wasn't received in time.

I wouldn't say the City doesn't care about its seniors but I don't think the City does a passable job of informing older people about important ballot questions. The Office of the Secretary of the State manages to get out a good booklet with pros and cons of issues when there is a statewide referendum. Not so in the City of Boston. Please, don't cry poor mouth. The real estate values keep going up so the City ought to be swimming in tax revenue. Someone in the City government needs to put out a similar booklet to the voters well in advance and give the voters time to think about the ballot questions.

Anne Burke  
Brighton

### PROGRESSIVES OVERREACTING?

*To the Editor:*

I had a good laugh hearing that progressives in West Roxbury were apparently losing their minds over an electrical highway sign inside Holy Name Rotary on Election Day with a digital message to folks on their way to vote inside Holy Name School with the message "Let's Go Brandon" on it.

It was reported on WBZ News Radio that a fight almost happened when someone tried covering up the screen. The Massachusetts State Police commented that the sign was privately owned, on a private trailer and being driven by a private vehicle and therefore "there was no criminal offense."

Last time I looked, this was still a free country

with free speech for all. The message by the way "Let's Go Brandon" was actually created by an NBC reporter who pretended to hear the Brandon call when they were actually saying something far more crude about the guy in the White House who is screwing things up royally for us at the moment. I find this "Brandon Moment" amusing since it was "created" by the liberal news media itself.

I read one tweet that the electronic sign showed how "classless, anti-American is in Trumpswabs' blood." Perhaps, a tad over-reaction, huh?

Will progressives broker no dissent to their political agenda and the transformation they are seeking for America?

Sal Giarratani  
East Boston

### PROPOSED REDISTRICTING LESS THAN EQUITABLE

*To the Editor:*

You should do a story on the proposed new state legislative districts.

On the House side, Roslindale would be split in four, carved up as an afterthought for new districts dominated by more voters in West Roxbury, Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, Mattapan and Hyde Park. This is what happens when your neighborhood has no resident in state elected office to watch out for your community's interests. <https://malegislature.gov/Redistricting/ProposedDistricts/House>

The proposed new map of state Senate districts isn't any better. It splits Roslindale in two. Twenty years ago, Roslindale worked hard to be unified in one senate district. This proposed map is a step back.

Why does this make a difference? In the past, Roslindale has had a hard time getting elected officials who live in adjacent neighborhoods to spend their precious political capital to get state funding for road redesign projects in Roslindale. They just don't work as hard for your neighborhood when they only represent a small piece of it.

Keeping a community intact is supposed to be a top objective in redistricting. These proposed districts that carve up Roslindale won't make that any easier.

Carter Wilkie  
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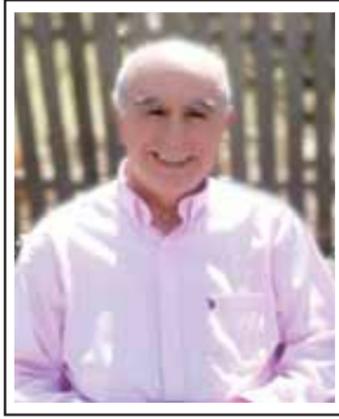
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# Just a soldier peeling potatoes

Not having served in the Armed Forces, I recall learning—and not from the Sergeant Bilko television shows—that KP (kitchen patrol) is one of the least desirable of duties. While the preparing of meals for entire regiments is no easy task for skilled chefs, somebody has to fulfill the mundane task of peeling potatoes. Or perhaps this is done by some mechanization in this modern era. No matter what, the role of peeling potatoes is one of the least noble but yet most necessary, tasks of meal preparation involving this vegetable.



My Kind of Town/  
Joe Galeota

Norman Rockwell's original illustration, "Home for Thanksgiving," of a not-so-young soldier in his uniform helping his grey-haired mother prepare for a dinner by peeling spuds has been in the news recently because of its discovery at an American Legion Post in Winchendon, up near the New Hampshire border. Not surprisingly, it sold for \$3.6 million.

The illustration was commissioned for the November 24, 1945, edition of the Saturday Evening Post magazine. With his insights into human nature and artistic talents, Rockwell caught the emotion of the day/month/year with his deft application of the brush.

Remember: this is not his most famous Thanksgiving il-

lustration, which in fact was published on the Post cover in 1943 as part of the Four Freedoms. That is the one with the grandparents standing at the head of a long table holding a luscious turkey platter as their grown children and grandchildren salivate at the thought of eating.

Thanksgiving in 1945, the year "Home for Thanksgiving" was published two years later, actually occurred on November 22 two days before the Post hit the stands with its memorable drawing of soldier and mother. President Truman had decreed that Thanksgiving that year to be a national day of thanksgiving—unlike any other year—because of the end of World War II.

As is the case with his hundreds of other illustrations, this one appeals to the American public because of the unspoken love between the uniformed soldier and now worry-free mother. Her anxiety and fears have been put to rest with the signing of peace treaties on VE and VJ day. The veteran is delighted to be home in the presence of his loving mother; he does not need a meal with all the trappings, high-priced cheese and wine, and after-dinner cognac to give him any more happiness. Still in uniform, he either just arrived home or is still prepared for active duty but is content just to sit beside his mother performing this mundane task.

This painting tells the tale of the first Thanksgiving after the Allies' victory, that quintessential American holiday representing a sense of warmth, home, family, and tradition. It is not just the story of an individual soldier and his proud, doting mother, but that of the nation relieved that war has come to an end.

So, to all you veterans, on what was originally called Armistice Day, we thank you for your service and may you, whether still active or not, enjoy the warm feelings generated by Norman Rockwell's "Home for Thanksgiving" on every day this November.



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# Nutcracker *continued from page 3*

and requires a lot of self-discipline and commitment.

“Every year the training schedule gets more intense so this year I have seven classes, five days a week at the downtown studio. When I am in a production, like the Nutcracker, there are rehearsals on top of that, so during the Nutcracker season, I usually have two or three rehearsals a week on top of regular classes at school,” explained Lee-Armandt.

Lee-Armandt said he feels very lucky to have such supportive friends and family through the grueling schedule.

“I am pretty sure my dad and my best friend compete to be my biggest fan!” he said. “When I was younger, I did get teased a bit at school, but it just made me want to be a better dancer. Boston Ballet also has lots of events for young male dancers so sometimes when we all get together there are so many of us that I forget that it is unusual.”

During the pandemic, he said he found it difficult to dance when his classes were over Zoom. It’s just not the same.

“Usually, in ballet, you are dancing with a partner and so it is hard to do alone and I also missed being at the studio; that was difficult. Whenever I feel blocked in my dance career, I just look up to other dancers who have come before me and try to learn from their stories, especially other Asian-American dancers,” he said.

Another obstacle he faces is time management - he goes to Boston Latin School, so juggling homework and ballet can be very challenging.

The production is one of his favorites and he said he’s finding a way to make it work. He said his favorite scene in The Nutcracker is the battle scene when the Nutcracker and the Mouse King fight.

“It’s a really complicated scene with lots of dancers, props and costumes, and I never get to see it live. I am backstage during that time so we watch it on TV. I guess my second favorite part is hanging out in the Costume Shop - it is so fun to be fitted for your own costume and see all the other ones as well - it’s just an explosion of Christmas every time I go in there!

“I can say that everyone is so excited to perform this year and to bring joy back into the holiday season after the pandemic. I will do my best and I hope everyone enjoys it!” he said.

# Doris Bunte Renovation *continued from page 1*

Notification Form (PNF) submitted on Oct. 15.

Although not a reconstruction or replacement building, Article 80 of the zoning code “is triggered,” according to the BHA, “because of the project size and project cost. It will substantially rehabilitate the building with a total floor area of 100,000 square feet.”

The estimated development cost is \$40 million.

The timing coincides with the new in-bound bus waiting shelter in front of the tower entranceway part of the Columbus Avenue busway that opened on Oct. 30.

Discussions with residents began on Oct. 17, 2017 and three more were held though January 2020.

Each apartment will get completely new kitchens and bathrooms, new windows, hearing and air conditioning systems.

The architects are Winslow Architects and their goal is to, “provide modern and energy-efficient living spaces so that residents can safely age in place” according to the PNF.

There will be a separate apartment for an in-site services coordinator to assist residents with transportation, appointments, home-care and other services.

Financing of the large-scale redevelopment will be made possible through a BHA-controlled LLC whose

sole purpose will be to give the Authority the ability to raise funds from a variety of sources not usually available to public housing authorities.

In November 2020 the BHA received approval from the Office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to convert Doris Bunte Apartments from the public housing revenue stream to Section 8 that will provide “a more robust level of federal subsidy” according to the PNF.

“To facilitate financing the BHA will convey the property with a long term ground lease to a single purpose entity affiliated with the BHA.”

In a phone call with The Bulletin, BHA Chief of Staff Lydia Agro clarified this.

“The BHA will continue to own the development,” she said. “There is no private partner. We will own and manage the development after renovations.

“Section 8 gives a much better subsidy platform,” she said. “For financial and regulatory reasons this is a particularly good method.”

By removing Doris Bunte Apts. from the federal housing program and moving it to the project-based Section 8 vouchers, the tenants will still pay 0 percent of their income in rent, but the operating capital will increase.

The public housing subsidy is \$672 a month per unit; under the Section 8 contract the

subsidy is \$1,670.

The new financial subsidy will also support the resident services staff person. The BHA entity will also be eligible to apply for MassHousing funding, historic tax credits and tax credit equity.

Winslow Architects have devised a renovation plan of vertical stacks with 19 units that will be renovated at the same time; each stack will take about eight weeks.

Temporary relocation to another unit in the building or to another BHA property is possible and will be determined and assisted by a relocation consultant to assist all residents during the estimated two renovation set to completed in January 2024.

An Article 80 public meeting has not yet been scheduled.

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# Kiwanis hosting annual auction online this year

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Roslindale Kiwanis Club is hosting its annual fundraising auction from now until Nov. 15 online.

The auction's web site can be found at <https://bit.ly/30aDw8E>. Kiwanis Club Fundraising Chair Sean Brennan said this year they're looking at some very big ticket items.

"So you can make a bid and it's set up so you can give your cell phone or email and every time it gets higher, you'll get a text or an email," he said.

The items up for grabs this year include an ultra HD large screen TV, Red Sox tickets (front row bleacher), Celtics tickets, a crock pot, a snow blower, a case of seasonal Sam Adams beer, and gift cards to local restaurants like Tony's Place, The Halfway Cafe and the Real Deal.

"We've also got a two-week rental of a dumpster if you're looking to clean out your house," Brennan said. "We'll also have a Parkway YMCA family membership valued at

\$1,100. I mean there's a lot of good stuff."

Brennan said the pandemic has hit Kiwanis' fundraising efforts hard. Most local charities have had to tighten their belts during the COVID-19 pandemic, but he said he's hopeful that the online auction will help to get the charity back in fighting form.

"It's different; obviously in person we'd be able to make a little more money because we'd be able to do a 50/50 raffle or a scratch ticket board, but a month or so ago everybody decided it would be better to do it online," he said. "Overall, we may raise less money, but at least we're going to get something this year, versus last year when we didn't even do the auction. We skipped it."

Brennan said, however, that the online experience could lead to a kind of hybrid option in future years.

"It could be a lesson learned, so to speak, because if it works well we can do it where a part of it is online and a part of it is live," he said.

Later on this year, Brennan said the group is doing a second iteration of its online 50/



Though this year's auction will look different from previous years, the Kiwanis is still looking to help local youths with the funds they raise.

FILE PHOTO

50 raffle. The raffle will start in January and end on St. Patrick's Day during a Facebook Live drawing.

"We'll do that through Venmo and if you want to do it through cash or check you can drop it off at McNeil Insurance," he said. "We'll do that again in January, but hopefully we can raise a lot of money with this auction. It all goes back to children."

The Kiwanis was founded on service to children, and the Parkway Kiwanis donates the funds it raises to the Parkway YMCA, the Jason Roberts Challenger League, the Chef's Table Foundation, local sports teams and more.

"We're going to contribute to people who come to us and ask for help as well," he said.

For more information on the Kiwanis, go to <https://www.kiwanisboston.org/>.

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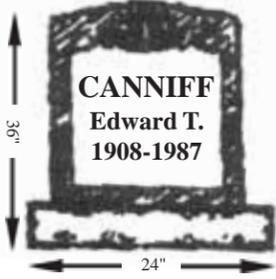
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## DEATHS

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**CONNOLLY**



Thomas J. of Roslindale and Vero Beach, FL., originally of Jamaica Plain, passed away on October 15, 2021. Beloved husband of the late Margaret (Hurley) Connolly. Devoted father of Margaret St. Cyr of Needham, Thomas Connolly and his wife Sharon of Dedham, and John Connolly and his partner Barbara McCarthy of Dorchester. Loving grandfather of Paige St. Cyr, and Eamon and Maeve Connolly. Brother of John "Jace" Connolly of West Roxbury and the late Jane Doyle and Anne Peters.

Also survived by several nieces and nephews and many friends in Boston and Vero Beach. Tom served in the U.S. Army. He was a retired electrical engineer for Polaroid. Funeral from the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Interment private. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

**GOWER**

Ellen Carol Age 81, of West Roxbury, Massachusetts died peacefully on Friday, October 15, 2021 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston with her family by her side. Born on June 10, 1940 in Paterson, New Jersey, she was the beloved daughter of the late Byron and Emily (Oldenburg) Gower. Ellen earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Swarthmore College in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, and a Doctorate in the field of neuroscience from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Thereafter, she established her own laboratory and continued her dissertation research on the neuroanatomy of the rhesus monkey, shedding light on how conduction of sensory information in certain areas of the brain may play a fundamental role in human and primate memory. She was affiliated with the Department of Neurology at the Boston University School of Medicine, the Department of Anatomy and Cellular Biology at Tufts University, and the Boston Veterans Administration Medical Center. For most of her adult life, Ellen was active in Boston's musical community. She sang for several decades in the King's Chapel Choir, and was a member of the Harvard Musical Association where she played the viola and served as Orchestra Committee Chair. She also enjoyed playing her viola with informal chamber music groups. A talented artist, Ellen

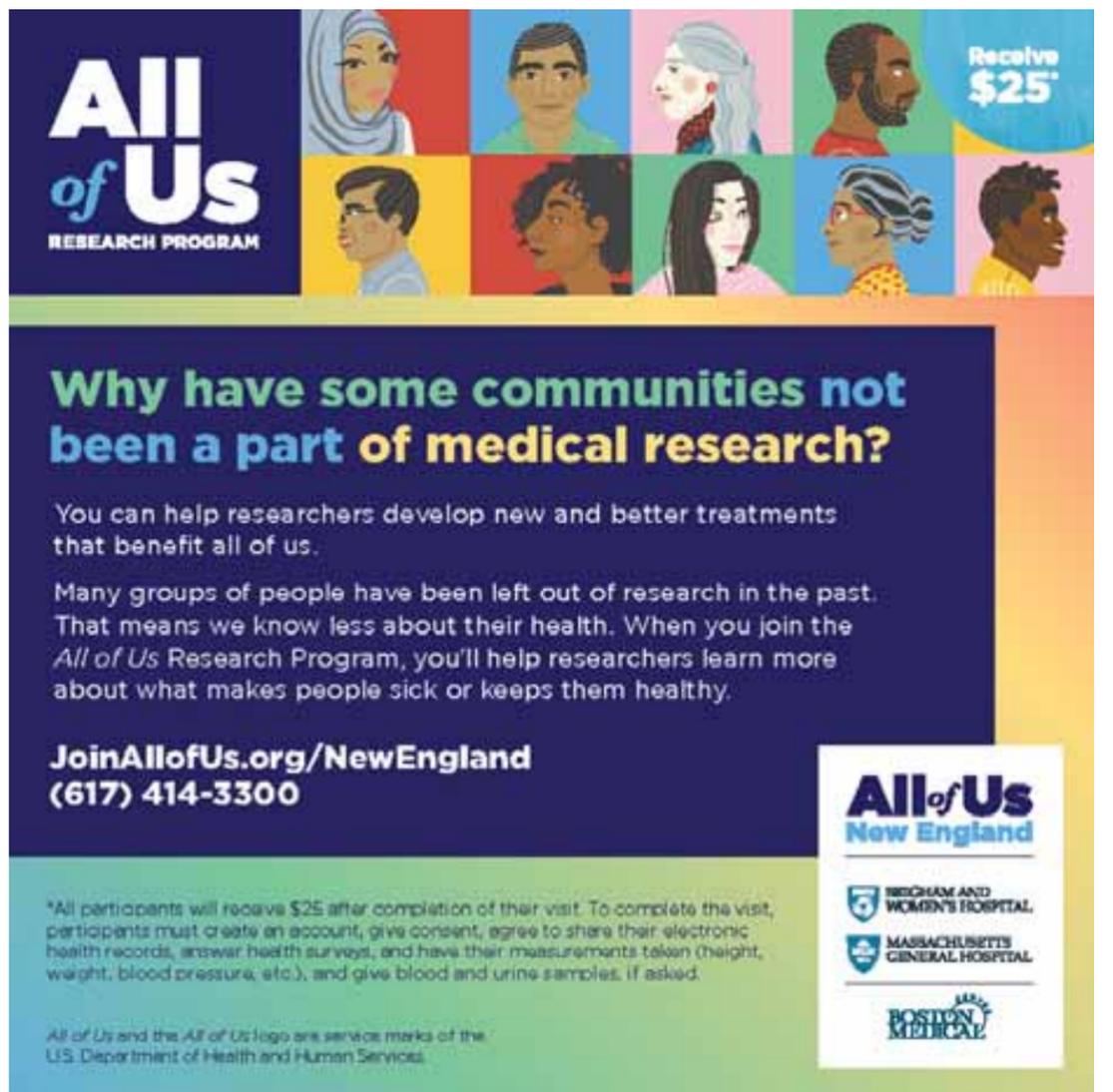
focused in recent years on drawing, painting, and photography, especially of the natural world, and exhibited her work through the Jamaica Plain Artists Association and other local arts organizations. Always an independent spirit, she loved the Maine coast, gardening, cooking, opera and reading, and built an extensive personal library that reflected her intellectual curiosity and her passion for science, philosophy, and literature. She is survived by her sister Holly Gower Boots and her husband Jack of New Canaan, Connecticut; her nephew Byron Boots and his wife Jamie of Seattle, Washington; and her cousins Noel, Colin, Elaine (Ed), and John. Ellen's Burial was private, but a concert dedicated to her memory will be scheduled next fall at King's Chapel in Boston. Donations in her memory may be made to King's Chapel Concert Series, 64 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02108, the Menino Arts Center, 26 Central Avenue, Hyde Park, Massachusetts 02136, or Brigham and Women's Hospital, 116 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02116.

**GRODEN**

Thomas F. of Stoughton, formerly of West Roxbury, November 1, 2021. Beloved son of the late Thomas I. and Frances (Mundy) Groden. Loving brother of Patrick Groden, Michael Groden, Catherine Miller and the late Laura Groden. Devoted uncle of Branden, Brianna, Brent, Cara, Mathew, Alana and Sarah. Cherished great-uncle of Fiona. Tom was a U. S. Army Veteran, Vietnam, a member of the American Legion Post 86, Braintree and a retired bookkeeper for the Boston Public Library, Copley Square. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803

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Boston held its annual Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 6 through the Downtown. The city holds the parade every year in partnership with the American Legion and the City of Boston Office of Veterans' Services

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## Deaths continued from page 8

**Centre St., WEST ROXBURY.** Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's name to Paralyzed Veterans of America, 1208 VFW Parkway, Suite 301, West Roxbury, MA 02132 [www.newenglandpva.org](http://www.newenglandpva.org) or to ALS Association, 685 Canton Street, Suite 103, Norwood, MA 02062 [www.als.org/massachusetts](http://www.als.org/massachusetts) Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home [www.lawlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.lawlerfuneralhome.com) 617-323-5600.

**LYNCH**

Frances T. Age 89, of W. Roxbury, a retired Boston Public School educator, died peacefully Oct. 27, 2021. Beloved spouse of the late Mary Sue Conley. Daughter of the late Thomas J. & Anastasia E. (Byrne) Lynch. Sister of Thomas Lynch, Mary Ramsbottom & the late Elizabeth Moynihan. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, extended family members & a close circle of friends in Elaine Lacourse, Pam Vaccaro, Rene Petrin, Nancy Stephens, Marion Lill, and great friends from Sophia Snow Place. Funeral from the Acton Funeral Home, 470 Massachusetts Avenue (Rte. 111),

**ACTON.** Burial will be private at a later date in St. Joseph's Cemetery, W. Roxbury. Those who wish may make memorial donations to Good Shepherd Community Care [gscommunitycare.org](http://gscommunitycare.org) and Sophia Snow Place [sophiasnowplace.org](http://sophiasnowplace.org) Memorial [actonfuneralhome.com](http://actonfuneralhome.com)

**MANDILL**

Joan T. (McBarron) of Hyde Park, passed peacefully on November 1st at the age of 91. Beloved wife of the late Francis Mandill. Devoted mother of Ellen Newman and her husband Bruce of Walpole, Joanne Lamb and her husband Robert of Tampa, formerly of East Walpole, Maureen Mandill of Norwood, and the late Stephen. Cherished sister of Christine Tosi of Beverly, and AnnMarie Gelinas of Colorado, Janet Frazer of Rosindale, Michael McBarron of California, and the late William. Loving "Nana" of nine grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and also survived by many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Timothy's Church, Norwood. Interment at Blue Hills Cemetery,

Braintree. Please in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to [stjudes.org](http://stjudes.org).

**McGAFFIGAN**

Helen F. (Sullivan) of Hyde Park, October 31, 2021. Beloved wife of the late Anthony F. McGaffigan. Loving mother of Susan McGaffigan of Fargo, ND, Carolyn Gurney and her husband Michael of Nashua NH, Helen Marie Kelly and her husband Stephen of West Roxbury, Joanne McGaffigan of South Boston, and James McGaffigan of Hyde Park. Devoted grandmother of Michael T., Colin, and Daniel Kelly, and Michael W. Gurney. Sister of Sheila Waters of Plainville, Donna Sullivan of Norwood and the late Joseph, Thomas, John L., Marion Walsh, Theresa Vitiello, and Brendan. Beloved sister-in-law of Bernard McGaffigan of Norton, William McGaffigan of Norwell, and Susann MacDonald of West Roxbury. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Donations may be made in Helen's memory to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284. For directions and [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

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Project Proponent:  
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**Project Description:**

The BPDA will be hosting a virtual Public Meeting in connection with the Notice of Project Change associated with the Hotel Project within Boston Landing. The Notice of Project Change was submitted to the BPDA on October 27, 2021. This NPC relates solely to the Hotel Project and is not requesting any changes to the use, dimensional, or parking and loading requirements as are detailed in the existing PDA Master Plan and Hotel Development Plan.

mail to: **Sarah Black**  
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU21P2200GD**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

**In the matter of: Jose Scott  
Of: West Roxbury, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

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

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Parkway Health and Rehabilitation of West Roxbury, MA**

In the above captioned matter alleging that Jose Scott is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **12/06/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
October 25, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

*West Roxbury Bulletin: 11/11/2021*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU21P2315GD**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

**In the matter of: Corrine M. Fitzpatrick  
Of: Brighton, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Brighton, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Corrine M. Fitzpatrick** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Brighton, MA

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
November 05, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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# Legals

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU21D1160DR**

**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING  
Meladie Ann I. James Stewart vs. Kenroy C. Stewart**

Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
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To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable breakdown.

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Meladie Ann I. James Stewart, 495 Huntington Avenue, #8, Hyde Park, MA 02136**, your answer, if any, on or before 01/13/2022. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**

October 29, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

*Hyde Park Bulletin: 11/11/2021*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

**DOCKET No. SU21P1873EA**

**Estate of: Agnes Delores Coleman  
Also known as: Agnes D. Coleman,  
Delores Coleman, Agnes Coleman**

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

**Date of Death: 01/09/2021**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:

**Jeanne M. Rossi of Hyde Park, MA**

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

**Jeanne M. Rossi of Hyde Park, MA**

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **12/07/2021**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

#### UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**

Date: October 26, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU21P2315GD**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

**In the matter of: Corrine M. Fitzpatrick  
Of: Brighton, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Brighton, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Corrine M. Fitzpatrick** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Brighton, MA

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **12/09/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
November 05, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

*Boston Bulletin: 11/11/2021*

## Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

*(Never known to fail!)*

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

—S.G.H.

## A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, you who made me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and you who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. Amen. Thank you for your love towards me and my loved ones. Persons must pray the prayer 3 consecutive days without asking your wish. After 3rd day, wish may be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as this favor is granted.

—S.G.H.

## Novena to St. Clare

Ask St. Clare for three favors, 1 business, 2 impossible. Say nine Hail Marys for nine days, with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on the ninth day. Powerful novena. Say "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified, now and forever, throughout the whole world. Amen." *Your request will be granted, no matter how impossible it may seem.*

—S.G.H.

## Novena to St. Jude

Oh Holy St. Jude Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and three Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen.

*This must be said for nine consecutive days. This Novena has never been known to fail.*

—S.G.H.

## Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

*(Never known to fail!)*

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

—V.C.

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