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Hundreds all around the City of Boston gathered for Memorial Day observances. Pictured here are ceremonies from Brighton, Hyde Park and West Roxbury.

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Boston remembers the Fallen

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Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporters

Boston neighborhood residents gathered throughout the city on Monday to honor those who served and died while in the United States Military.

In West Roxbury, about 200 people gathered on a picture-perfect morning at The Gardens at Gethsemane dur-

ing their 55th Annual Memorial Day Service

"I want to welcome everyone. This service at the Gardens is for those who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives. Let us never forget their sacrifice," said Allan J. MacKinnon, President, and General manager of the Gardens.

First to speak was state Senator Mike Rush, chair of the Joint Committee of Veterans and Federal Affairs, Lieutenant Commander U.S. Navy Reserve. He stressed the role of the families left

behind. He also paid tribute to those who currently serve in the Armed Forces. "To all those brave women and men, we salute you today and every day." Referring to the surroundings, Rush paid tribute again to those who had died. "We stand in this hallowed space to honor these true heroes. They did their duty."

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu spoke, mentioning that she and others had earlier in the day attended a Memorial Day service in Dorchester. "These are the stories

we must remember... we are here together today so we will never forget." She emphasized that there is a collective duty "...to remember that the freedom we enjoy is not free." She noted the audience was filled will people of all ages, each contributing to keeping alive these remembrances and what they mean. "I am especially happy to see so many young people in the audience here."

"I want each one of you here today to understand that your presence here matters," said Emmanuel

Dockter, Director of Engagement for the Executive Office of Veterans' Services for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Commissioner Robert Santiago, of the City of Boston Veterans Affairs office, also spoke of the importance of the day and honoring Fallen veterans and their sacrifice as heroes.

"They were and are

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Budget issues at Franklin Park

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

On Dec. 13, 2022 Mayor Michelle Wu came to the ruins of the Playstead Overlook in Franklin Park to announce the release of the long-awaited Franklin Park Action Plan.

The mayor received applause when she said that the plan "includes a Franklin Park administrator."

"The administrator will deal with daily operations," she said, "nurturing the park's natural landscape, and new investments encouraging native trees to thrive."

In its press release on the release of its Franklin Park Action Plan, landscape architects Reed Hilderbrand emphasized what

they heard from the community.

"We heard they wanted the city to take better care of the park; to pick up trash, reduce the presence of invasive plants and restore the landscape to optional health in a steady way.

"The 450-page plan will take multiple decades and more than \$150 million to complete."

On Dec. 13, the mayor asked the public to "share your thoughts about what priorities of the plan should be."

Four months later as the budget season got underway those priorities seemed to collide with those of the Boston Parks Department

This issue was raised at the May Egleston Square Neighborhood Association (ESNA) meet-

ing by Egleston Square resident and Franklin Park Coalition member Jacob Bor.

"The mayor's budget has nothing in it for Franklin Park," he said. "There's no funding for the Action Plan in the budget," he said. "The Franklin Park Coalition wants the Action Plan item for management staff in the Parks Dept budget."

During the first week in May, the Franklin Park Coalition sent out an alert to "implement the Franklin Park Acton Plan now."

"The city spent nearly a million dollars [the Reed Hildebrand contract was \$800,000 in 2019] to develop the long-awaited Franklin Park Action Plan.

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WFH updated on Moynihan Playground

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

More than 30 attendees of the West Fairmount Hill Community Group 's (WFH) virtual meeting on Monday, May 22 learned about Eversource's steel pipe and meter replacements in the neighborhood as well as an update on playground equipment included in the upcoming renovation of Moynihan Playground.

WFH leadership team member Cathy Horn chaired the hour long meeting and introduced the Eversource team. It included Jason Wright,

Eversource's Boston community relations specialist; Buzz Krysinski, the manager of gas construction and gas field operations; and John Babyak, the project manager of gas operations.

Wright explained that the work is being performed to implement the state-mandated Gas System Enhancement Project (GSAP) in order to increase the reliability of the system. The project is expected to take two months to complete.

"In layman's terms, that

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“The plan-endorsed by the mayor-calls for \$1.2 million in the city operating budget for management and maintenance, and \$20 million capital investment annually over the next decade to reverse the trend of disinvestment in our park.”

According to the Action Plan alert, the Coalition maintains that “just \$250,000 in capital investment and three new city-wide park staff, but none for Franklin Park” has been allocated.

As reported by The Bulletin, the city council voted on Oct. 17, 2018 to accept \$105 million from the sale of the Winthrop Square garage to be divided up in part into two funds, \$28 million for the Boston Common and \$28 million for Franklin Park.

Millennium Partners paid \$165 million for the city-owned garage and \$105 million was a “down payment to the city.”

The Franklin Park Trust Fund is holding the \$28 million.

According to the Parks Dept. the \$250,000 is allocated “for a feasibility study for the needs of the Elma Lewis Playhouse.”

In addition, the Trustees of the Franklin Park Trust has allocated \$400,000 to Franklin Park; \$280,000 for maintenance projects and \$120,000 for the Franklin Park Coalition.

Among the maintenance projects are vegetation management at the Wilderness and the Overlook, Wilderness picnic area rehabilitation and repaving Glen Road.

The \$120,000 to the Franklin Park Coalition is for six programs, including the kite festival, to “produce music and arts in the park”, bird and nature walks and environmental justice programs.

In its latest filing for the year

ending March 2023, The Franklin Park Coalition had cash, savings and investments of \$239,456.

The City capital budget has allocated \$900,000 for “repairs and improvements necessary to make safe public access to the Bear Dens area of Franklin Park.” The Franklin Park Coalition did not respond to several emails for clarification and comment.

On May 23, The Coalition sent a general fact statement which was forwarded to The Bulletin by ESNA.

It said in part, “Only a small amount of the proceeds from the Winthrop Square garage has been released and only a small additional amount in this year’s proposed budget.

“Of the total of \$28 million allocated to Franklin Park, \$5 million has been set aside in the Franklin Park Maintenance trust with the interest to be available for spending each year. Approximately \$1 million was spent on the Franklin Park Action Plan and the remainder of approximately \$22 million has not been included in this year’s fiscal year (FY) 24 budget.

“The projects recommended in the Franklin Park Action Plan are estimated to cost up to \$200 million”

The Coalition stated that the Parks Department capital budget for Franklin Park totals less than \$1 million.

“Franklin Park should have a park administrator and full-time maintenance staff,” said the statement.

Concurrent with the Parks Department budget discussion, the School Department and Mayor Wu announced on April 26 that a request for proposals would be released for a public

private partnership to renovate and manage White Stadium, currently under Schools jurisdiction.

In addition, it would be the home stadium for a Women’s Soccer League backed by a group of female investors called Boston Unity.

The winning proposal would have a ten-year lease with an annual rent of \$400,000.

This is not a new idea. In 2013 John Fish of Suffolk Construction proposed to then Mayor Menino a \$45 million partnership to restore the stadium with a non-profit sports group he would form, but this plan fizzled out.

District 7 City Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson, who was at the December Franklin Park Action Plan event, did have a reaction which she told the Garrison Trotter Neighborhood Association on May 21.

“I’m not excited about the process,” she said. “The development team has agreed to give \$1 million in perpetuity to the city and \$500,000 for the school department.

“[The stadium] is in District 7, the host district. I proposed \$1 million to the Blue Hill Avenue business district,” Anderson said.

“The mayor and the developer pushed back,” she said. “They said a contribution like that would require much more park space.”

“It’s not fair that the benefits go to the whole city,” Anderson said, “and not District 7. I’m looking for benefits to go to District 7.”

Anderson said she is planning a “listening session on White Stadium.”

The request for proposals is due June 25.



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Project Description:

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This meeting will be focused on the proposed 175 North Harvard St project, as well as, provide updates on upcoming Greenway community engagement and upcoming community engagement around 65 Seattle housing site in Allston. Please note that this is a combined Task Force and Public Meeting. The meeting will begin with a 30-minute presentation of the project by the development team, followed by a 45-minute discussion of the IAG, followed by 45-minutes of public Q&A.

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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.

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.
—C.M.

Miracle Prayer

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

Novena to St. Clare

Ask St. Clare for three favours, 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.*
—V.C.

IAG likes 500 Western Ave. but "needs a crosswalk"

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) held an Impact Advisory Group (IAG) meeting last week on the proposed 116-unit rental building at 500 Western Ave. in Lower Allston.

Architect Ardo Garabedian and attorney representing the property owner from McDermott, Quilty & Miller Nicholas Zozula, said they have responded to several of the community concerns from the last IAG meeting in February, which included density, open space and affordability concerns.

The project has been shrunk since it was initially pitched, going from 159 units to 116, and now includes eight artist live/work units. It's also losing one story, reducing the lot coverage from 84 percent to 53 percent, and increasing open space from 8,927 square feet to 14,311 square feet.

Zozula said they have increased affordability since the last IAG meeting to 18 percent of the building at 60 percent area median income (AMI) capped.

The plan also now includes a public pocket park along Richardson Street, where Architect Gary Hendren said gets the most light. The project has also widened the sidewalk along Western Avenue, is planting 30 new trees, subsidizing the artist units and will be providing commercial space for a neighborhood cafe. The cafe space will have a chimney so cooking will be an option for whatever entity takes the space.

Most residents and IAG members had positive things to say during the meeting, but there was one almost universal comment in discussion dur-

ing the question and answer session: that of a crosswalk connecting the building to the Speedway Building.

Resident Lindsay Bitrol said she lives at the Radius Building and was concerned that there's no crosswalk on Western Avenue coming from the south side of the building's to the Speedway Building to the north, where there are several shopping amenities and restaurants/bars.

"As I was sitting here waiting for my turn to speak, I saw 10 people crossing the street just at the spot coming from Mackin Street going to the Speedway," she said. "I understand our hands are tied and it's the city's decision, but people are going to be crossing the street there and we want to get ahead of a tragedy happening out here. I would love to see some movement on that."

Resident John McQueen said he felt more than "a mere crosswalk" would be needed, and asked for an on-demand blinking yellow light with a crosswalk. BPDA Project Manager Michael Sinatra said he would be advocating for both of these with the Boston Transportation Department.

"I will stay on my colleagues on this and express concerns from the community. We did pitch it to them, so we just have to keep working on that and hopefully we can get an answer," he said.

Resident Tim McHale said he liked the overall direction of the building and asked if the sixth-floor balcony could be used for public meetings.

"One of the things the community is lacking is public meeting space," he said. "And we've lost two pubs and our diner. We're losing a lot of space and it would be nice if the developers could allow four or

six community meetings to happen a year in that community space. Do you think that's something we could write into the cooperation agreement?"

Zozula said that would be something they could work out.

"I don't think we've thought of that yet but we could discuss it," he said. "I don't see why not; I don't know what the accessibility is and we may have safety concerns, but I don't see why not."

McHale also echoed the crosswalk concern.

Resident Wendy Schiller said she's happy to see the AMI lowered and the different types of units – family units, two-bedrooms and artist units – be included. She also advocated for a crosswalk at Western Avenue.

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The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU23D0805DR

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A banking legend retires

Growing up, I did not have any relatives who lived in Brookline—one cousin from Roxbury attended and played basketball for the now defunct St. Mary of the Assumption High School. Nor do I remember any classmates from BC High hailing from that town. My interface with anybody from there and any Brookline institution was zilch. But decades later a Brookline bank came to my aid. When no other bank would grant my wife and me a mortgage in 1974, an aging West Roxbury widow, Celia Yoffe, marched us right down to her bank at Brookline's Putterham Circle and demanded that it give us a mortgage to buy her house—which it granted probably because of her significant deposits there.

Since then I have met many wonderful people who are or were Brookline residents as well as doing business with a number of Brookline institutions. Now the Brookline Saving Bank is about to lose a sterling management official, Mary Creed, who has decided to retire this June.

Mary is not a Brookline resident, nor does she work at its Putterham Circle branch. Rather, she has worked mostly at its West Roxbury branch, opened when Roche Brothers left its building next to the library. Altogether she has worked for the Brookline Savings Bank for more than 33 years, excluding a hiatus of 10 years to tend to an ailing father for 7 of them, and to care for young children.

Over the years Mary has solved hundreds, if not thousands, of monetary issues for her clients, many of them elderly like your humble scribe. It would be interesting to note how many loc “I loved the picture, but I didn't appreciate the poignancy of it until I got older, because – the truth is – that never happened,” he said of his uncle not making it back. al residents opened accounts there because



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of her personal friendliness at the branch's highly visible West Roxbury location next to Roche Brothers supermarket, eschewing the opportunity to do business with so many other banking institutions lining Centre Street.

Bank officials can be gruff and demanding, but Mary is the antithesis of this, as current bank manager Lisa Mariotti well knows. Mary has set a tone for tellers and others at this branch to follow. She is knowledgeable, patient with those who don't understand bank-speak, and compassionate, never hesitating to call out a greeting to any customers from her corner office when not trying to help investors with the myriad details for loans, checking and saving accounts, and certificates of deposit.

The movie “It's a Wonderful Life” portrays two types of bankers—kindly George Bailey (Jimmy Stewart) partnered with his affable sidekick, Uncle Billy (Thomas Mitchell), as opposed to an intimidating Henry Potter (Lionel Barrymore). You be the judge of which Mary Creed resembles.

Ad multos annos, Mary, as you hang up your cleats, or whatever bankers do when they ride off into the sunset after years of wonderful service to our community.

LETTER WAS INACCURATE AND, PERHAPS, DISINGENUOUS

To the Editor:

In his letter to the Bulletin, Alan Wright suggested that Bill MacGregor, candidate for the 10th Suffolk District, failed to include Roslindale in the list of neighborhoods he mentioned in his thank you letter printed in the Bulletin's May 18th edition. I found this assertion to be factually inaccurate.

In thanking the residents of the 10th Suffolk District, Mr. MacGregor mentioned “the residents of the Parkway, Jamaica Plain, and South Brookline.” Mr. MacGregor did not specifically mention either Roslindale or West Roxbury, but rather, used their collective name, “the Park-

way”. For decades, “the Parkway” has been widely used by residents of both neighborhoods when referencing West Roxbury and the sections of Roslindale bounded roughly by (clockwise, from north) Walter Street, South Street, Washington Street, the West Roxbury Parkway, and Centre Street (representing the Roslindale precincts included in the 10th Suffolk District).

Given the somewhat divisive nature of Mr. Wright's primary election analysis in the remainder of his letter, Mr. Wright's contention that Mr. MacGregor overlooked Roslindale in his thank you letter was, at best, uninformed, and, at worst, disingenuous.

Colin Donnelly
West Roxbury

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America's finest. They are woven into the fabric of this nation with one purpose, protecting freedom and ensuring peace and tranquility.”

Also participating in the event was Commander, USMC (Ret.) of the West Roxbury VFW Post 2902, Richard F. Gormley; bagpipes by Tim McMaster, the flag detail by Dan McMorro and Michael Gormley. The singing of patriot songs was led by Demetrios Tsaniklides, Jr.

Later, in Brighton, Wu joined about 80 residents at the Evergreen Cemetery to remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Organizer Ann Larosee said this was the 18th such celebration at the cemetery, and she added she hopes she can continue the tradition for another 18 years.

“Everybody here is wonderful and they come every year,” she said. “And it's not because they feel they have to, but because they want to. They come because they love the veterans and they want to pray to the veterans.”

Larosee and her family have been supporting this event throughout those 18 years, with her son Howie helping out and her daughter Mary sometimes reportedly playing taps on the trumpet during the ceremony.

Wu discussed the importance of Memorial Day for all Bostonians, not just Allstonians and Brightonites.

“Memorial Day is so important across Boston, and we have many, many commemorations because our city has always stepped up to serve and guarantee that those who return home are taken care of, and we never forget the sacrifices of those who do not return home,” she said. “And the sacrifices their families continue to make every day.”

Wu said just in Evergreen alone, there are several local residents laid to rest who served their country with honor. Medal of Honor Recipient Naval Quartermaster Richard Hamilton Taylor, who was awarded for gallantry during the hurricane at Apia, Samoa, in 1889, is buried there. She also discussed Horatio Julius Homer, who was the first Black member of the Boston Police Department.

“Who dedicated his life to protecting the same values at home that our veterans fight for abroad,”

she said.

Wu also recognized 2nd Lieutenant Pamela Donovan, who moved from Ireland to the United States and became a U.S. citizen.

“Just so she could join the U.S. Army Nurses Corps,” Wu said. “She was one of the seven women whose names are on the Vietnam Memorial.”

Former state Representative and Boston Planning and Development Agency Director and current U.S. Army Reserve Colonel Brian Golden also spoke, and said this year garnered one of the larger crowds that he could remember.

“I've been coming here steadily since childhood and I thank all those who put this together on this beautiful day to remember the Fallen,” he said. “It's 1.3 million people. For 237 years, people have been fighting and dying for our freedom, for the rule of law and for humane self government. Those aren't just words. The day we enjoy today has been purchased for us by the lives of 1.3 million service-people; people who very intentionally put themselves in harm's way for the rest of us.”

In Hyde Park, about a dozen residents gathered at the Cecil W. Fogg-Thomas J. Roberts American Legion Post #78 (56 Harvard Ave.) held its Memorial Day Ceremony.

The main event of the ceremony was the roll call – read by Graves Registration Officer (and former Post Commander) William MacIver – of the names of nine members who had died over the prior 12 months, accompanied by a single rifle salute for each one.

The last name read was that of Claire Pauley, who died on Feb. 14 at the age of 94. In addition to being an influential and impactful public school teacher and a beloved, larger than life Hyde Park presence, she had also been a member of the Fogg-Roberts Women's Auxiliary and had served as its president. And, although not connected to the ceremony, it was somehow appropriate that the backdrop of her rifle salute was the Hyde Park Library, where she had served as president of Friends of the Library, and where she had produced the locally famous Hyde Park Historical Christmas show for a 36-year run.

Following the roll call, Post

Commander Steven Strachan presented honor guard Mark Cummings with the Commander's Award in recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service and assistance contributing to the advancement of the Post's programs and activities.

Most in attendance had been there before. Christine Barry Lydon – who grew up in Hyde Park but now lives in West Roxbury – was one of them. Her Father, Leo Barry – a World War II veteran – had been a ranking Post member who passed away in 2004. While grateful for the ceremony, and hopeful for its future, she acknowledged that it's not as big anymore, due to World War II veterans dying off, and because of the pandemic. “COVID was kind of the death knell for a lot of stuff,” she said. “So I think things are getting back, and they're doing a great job, and they're going to have a cookout here today, and the Post looks great, and I'm on my way to the cemetery to check out the graves.”

A pre-ceremony Mass had, in fact, been planned at nearby Most Precious Blood church but, due to short notice and a tight schedule, Fr. Joseph Mazzone – Pastor of The Catholic Parishes of the Blue Hills – instead went to the post to offer an invocation prayer.

Beforehand, he spoke of family who had served, in particular of an uncle who had enlisted in the Marines as a 19-year-old in 1944, and died at Iwo Jima in 1945. Directly related to this, he spoke of a Norman Rockwell print that had hung in his family home. The Homecoming (1945) depicts a soldier returning from war and his family rushing to greet him.

“I loved the picture, but I didn't appreciate the poignancy of it until I got older, because – the truth is – that never happened,” he said of his uncle not making it back. “I like to think that that's what happened in Heaven: that my uncle was there with all of his family who had gone before him, running to greet him and welcome him home. And I like to think that that's what happened with my mother and with all of those family members of veterans: that their loved one who had given their life for their country was there to welcome them to their Heavenly home.”

Before leading the group in the Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, Mazzone concluded his remarks. “God is somehow going to take care of us, my friends, and we will be reunited.”

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The Boston Zoning Board of Appeal voted to approve this design for the buildings at 104 Walter St. in Roslindale.

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ZBA approves 104 Walter for Habitat for Humanity

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) met on May 23 and approved the long-awaited four-unit condominium project at 104 Walter St. in Roslindale.

The project is a part of the culmination of about 20 years of organizing from the neighborhood. The site was originally tapped for large-scale development and met with large opposition from Roslindale residents, particularly the Longfellow Area Neighborhood Association (LANA) and the Roslindale Wetlands Task Force.

The development was part of a deal with the city and the former landowner to preserve more of the Boston Urban Wild known as the Roslindale Wetlands, which abuts the site. After the neighborhood organized against several attempts to develop the site for larger projects over the past 20 years,

neighbors were able to get the city to purchase the land on 104 and 108 Walter St. The adjacent site at 108 Walter has been designated for conservation land, and the project at 104 will have a public walkway to the Roslindale Wetlands. The entire project is also slated to be 100 percent affordable under the city's Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP).

The ZBA voted unanimously to approve the four-unit development at 104, which had a lot of support from LANA and residents. The development is being headed by the Greater Boston Habitat for Humanity, which was selected by the city through a request for proposal process.

The project has several variances, including insufficient open space, insufficient side and rear yard space, insufficient parking and a violation of dimensional requirements. The proposal would have four parking spaces.

Attorney representing Habitat for Humanity, Kyle Smith, said the project would renovate the existing single-family home on the site for two units and raze the current garage in the rear of the site to allow space to build the second building for the other two housing units. LANA has been meeting with Habitat at almost every association meeting, and Smith said this collaboration has helped to garner support for the project from the neighborhood.

"I think we are well positioned with a lot of good support from the neighborhood," he said.

Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) representative Conor Newman backed this up.

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Hyde Park Bulletin: 05/25/23, 06/01/23

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF ACCOUNT Docket No. SU20P2269EA In the matter of: Margaret Walsh Also known as: Margaret T. Walsh Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300

Date of Death: 11/30/2019

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Christine M. Walsh of West Roxbury, MA Requesting allowance of the Estate of Margaret Walsh 1st Annual for 6/11/21 to 12/31/2022 account(s) as Personal Representative and any other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 06/22/2023. 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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

Date: May 18, 2023

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West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 06/01/2023

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

Suffolk Division Docket No. SU22P1677EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300

Estate of: Bridget Sullivan Date of Death: 07/02/2022

To all interested persons: A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: John J. Sullivan, III of Estero, FL requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

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 06/15/2023.

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

Date: May 25, 2023

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

Suffolk Division Docket No. SU22P2224EA CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300

Estate of: John Joseph Sullivan Also known as: John Joseph Sullivan, Jr. John J. Sullivan, Jr. Date of Death: 05/18/2022

To all interested persons: A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: John J. Sullivan, III of Estero, FL requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

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 06/15/2023.

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

Date: May 25, 2023

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. SU20P2269EA Suffolk Division

Estate of: Margaret T. Walsh Date of Death: 11/30/2019

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner: Christine M. Walsh of West Roxbury, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 06/01/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1113EA

Estate of: Ranel Benjamin Sinclair Date of Death: 09/22/2022

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Rodcliffe Bruce Sinclair of Roxbury, 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: Rodcliffe Bruce Sinclair of Roxbury, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 07/05/2023 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: May 23, 2023

Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 06/01/23

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1097EA

Estate of: Carolyn A. Cohen Date of Death: 03/17/2023

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: Sheila Bogan of Randolph, 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: Sheila Bogan of Randolph, MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 07/03/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court Date: May 22, 2023

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P0817EA

Estate of: Lee Ann Hoff Date of Death: 05/06/2022

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Michele Selby of Woodbury, MN requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Michele Selby of Woodbury, MN

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 07/05/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court Date: April 28, 2023

Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

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“The aspects of affordable homeownership and conservation kind of combine a lot of main goals that residents have for that particular property,” he said, adding that an April 12 abutters meeting resulted in neighborhood support for the proposal.

LANA President Kathy McCabe echoed this sentiment.

“We enthusiastically and strongly support this application,” she said. “The site at 104 Walter is our vision for enhancing equity with four units of affordable housing. The original parcel, which was 37,000 square feet, was the largest privately-owned parcel around the Roslindale Wetlands.”

Immediate abutter Inci Kaya said she supports the

project, even though the setbacks are an issue with her.

“But we are working with Habitat for Humanity and their colleagues on that right now,” she said.

In nearby news, the ZBA also approved a proposal from the property owner at 30 Arlington St., in Hyde Park, Lewis Crespo to turn the basement in one of his three-family buildings on the site into a fourth unit. He said the layout would be similar to the other three units and the windows in the basement are full size.

Boston Transportation Department Strategic Planner Bob D’Amico said he had some concerns with the fact that this building, and the adjacent one at 32 Arlington St., has a combined total of 13 parking spaces

for the seven units.

“I haven’t seen a parking plan for this project and if possible, I would like to review the parking plan,” he said. “Just to make sure that it works and there’s not an overabundance of parking. Just because of screening and buffering and planting, I want to make sure there’s enough maneuverability and that the spaces comply.”

The Board included D’Amico’s proviso for BTM review in its vote to approve. Newman said the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association and the Hyde Park Central River Neighborhood Association (CRNA) did not raise any concerns with ONS at the time of an abutters meeting and a CRNA meeting.

Legals

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION G.L. c. 210, §6
In the matter of: Gabriella Keisha Silien**

To: Paulaine Silien

DOCKET No. SU23A0275AD
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
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Anne Saint Louis Clerge of Dedham, MA

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

Date: May 26, 2023

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AMARAL
Margaret "Peggy" of West Roxbury, May 24, 2023. Former wife of the late Robert Amaral. Mother of the late Steven Amaral. Grandmother "Nana" of Christopher, Valerie and Stacey Amaral. Great-grandmother of Mackenzie Bulman. Sister of the late John Ballard. Funeral Mass Friday, June 2, 2023 at 10 a.m. at St. John Chrysostom Church, 4750 Washington St., West Roxbury. Visiting Hour in the church 9-10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Peggy's memory to the Animal Rescue League of Boston/Dedham, 55 Anna's Pl., Dedham, MA 02026 (www.arlboston.org). Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Guestbook at www.KfouryFuneral.com

DAVIS
Kevin C., retired Dedham Firefighter of Dedham, formerly of West Roxbury, passed away on May 24, 2023. Born in Boston on January 26, 1970, the devoted and loyal son of Edward J. (Ted) Davis Jr. and Dianne M. (Caulfield). Loving and proud father of Amanda, Christopher and Andrew Davis all of Dedham. Admired and loved brother to Timothy Davis of Braintree, Brian Davis (BFD) and his wife, Laura of Hyde Park, Gregory Davis of Weymouth and Colleen Barthel and her husband, Greg of Norton. Dear uncle of Timothy Jr., Ryan, Lauren, Danielle, Briana, Patrick, Brendan and Liam. Kevin is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, grandnieces and grandnephews. He was also a beloved friend to so many. Kevin was a longtime Dedham Firefighter and proudly served his Country in the U.S. Navy. Kevin will always be remembered for his infectious smile that lit up a room. No matter who you were or how long Kevin knew you, he always made you feel loved and special with a heart larger than life. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Interment at St. Joseph Cemetery. To honor Kevin's memory and journey, donations can also be made to the VA Boston Healthcare - Fisher House, P.O. Box 230, South Walpole, MA 02071, fisherhouseboston.org. For directions or to leave a condolence message for Kevin's family, please visit gormleyfuneral.com Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. West Roxbury, MA. 617-323-8600.

GRIFFIN
Robert L., age 74, of West Roxbury passed away peacefully on May 20, 2023. Beloved husband of Donna (Mealey) of West Roxbury. Devoted father to Jodi Griffin of Brooklyn, New York, Daniel Griffin (Jate) of Bellingham, Elizabeth Bjorkman (Randy) of North Attleboro and Nicole Griffin of West Roxbury. Loving brother of John Griffin (Joan) of Dedham. Proud papa of Aubrey and Emma Bjorkman, and Max Griffin. Brother-in-law to Joanne and John Ryan of Westwood, John and Deirdre Mealey of Westwood, Ginny and Dan Carroll of West Roxbury, Becky and the late Robert Mealey of Framingham. Also survived by many loving extended family members. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Theresa of Avila Church. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery. For complete notice www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

Deaths
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Around the Neighborhood

MR. TWISTER AND THE TALE OF TORNADO ALLEY
Free Family Event at the Arnold Arboretum Rose Garden: Mr. Twister and the Tale of Tornado Alley on Saturday, June 10 from noon -1pm. Come early to make puppets, and learn more about how to create a healthy environment and livable climate future for children.
Mr. Twister and the Tale of Tornado Alley is an opera for children and families that combines science education with an engaging and exciting musical and visual experience. Children can make puppets before noon they can use during the performance. Join Bobby and his grandfa-

ther, Mr. Twister, as they travel around the globe, from the chilly arctic to the sizzling warmth of the Gulf of Mexico - including an appearance from giant puppets! Through the power of his magic telescope, Mr. Twister can see just about everything - except the family reunion of the North and South winds that's about to create a cyclone in Tornado Alley!!
Mr. Twister is presented in partnership with Mothers Out Front Boston, the Arnold Arboretum, and Puppet Showplace Theater of Brookline. Boston-based co-producers include Marc Hoffeditz, composer and librettist of dramatic vocal works; Brenda Huggins, stage director and puppetry artist; and Sonja Tengblad, soprano and climate activist with Mothers Out Front East Boston.

plants from our own members' plant divisions, including perennials (both sun and shade loving), edibles, and shrubs. We may also have a small selection of garden decorative items and, perhaps, some gardening books.
If you are dividing plants this spring and have some to share with us (no wild orange daylilies, please), please consider potting them up and labeling them (sticks are great but even masking tape on the pots is OK) for us to sell to benefit our public green spaces. If you need plastic pots, we can supply them. We'd like them delivered to us no later than Friday, June 2.
If you have questions about the sale or about donating plants for it, please email us at rgc.plantsale@gmail.com.

This free community event is funded in part by The Boston Foundation Live Arts Boston, and produced in partnership with the Puppet Showplace Theater in Brookline, MA, and Mothers Out Front.
For more information contact: info.ma.westroxbury@mothersoutfront.org

WARD 20 DEMOCRATS TO ELECT DELEGATES
The Ward 20 Democratic Caucus to elect delegates to the State Convention from Boston's Ward 20 will be held on Saturday, June 3rd, E-5 Community Room, 1708 Centre St. West Roxbury. Doors open at 9am for registration. Caucus will begin at 9:30.

The 2023 Massachusetts Democratic Convention will be held on Saturday, Sept. 23rd at the Tsongas Center in Lowell.

PLANT SALE
Back by popular demand! RG&C will hold a plant sale on Saturday, June 3, from 10 AM to 1 PM. Just like in 2022 this event will be at the homes of two of our members and NOT at the Farmer's Market in Adams Park. The sale will be at 53 Prospect Avenue and 5 Sheldon Street (just a few houses from each other). As usual, we'll be selling

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means we're replacing about 3,700 square feet of existing steel pipe that was placed sometime in the 1950s, as well as some services that go along with that, with current industry accepted plastics," he explained. "It's an effort to upgrade and replace all of the aging infrastructure in the state that's under our jurisdiction."

"State of the art, high-density polyethylene pipe" that is smaller in diameter than the current pipe will be used, according to Wright. Meters inside houses will be moved to the outside. Customers will receive a one-page notification in the mail, which Wright cautioned would look like junk mail at first glance.

Once the work is completed, a landscape company will perform work to restore yards "to their previous condition or better," according to Krysinski. Restoration work will be performed on sidewalks and walls, and lawns will be loamed and seeded. Permanent trench resurfacing will start in the spring.

Marcia Kimm-Jackson, the WFH founder and director, questioned the Eversource team about the proposed restoration work, saying that it has yet to be completed on Faraday Street. Krysinski noted that the project was just completed the previous week before the meeting and that it (restoration) should begin soon.

Nathaniel Thomas, a WFH leadership team member, updated the group about progress on Moynihan Playground's reno-

vation, noting that work will commence in the fall and be completed "by the beginning of next year." It will include a new net climber, a spinning play structure and a clubhouse. The existing swing set will be replaced with a new bowl swing.

One thing that the project will not include is rubber that contains PFAS, per- and polychlorinated substances. PFAS can infiltrate the water system and potentially lead to kidney and liver disease, among other ailments.

On a citywide level, City Chief of Community Engagement Briana Millor told the group about the revamping of the city's Slow Streets program called the "Safety Surge" that Mayor Michelle Wu implemented that day.

"Instead of having the traditional Slow Streets process, we are looking to make a more comprehensive approach citywide," she said. This will include the implementation of speed humps based upon traffic data rather than on neighborhood advocacy.

"We're literally moving away from the complaint-based approach because some neighborhoods don't have well organized neighborhood associations," Millor added. Zones will be created throughout the city that will allow more than 25 projects to be addressed simultaneously.

Helena Tonge, president of the Belnel Family Neighborhood Association (BFNA),

asked if it was possible to not include flex poles, which she said have been problematic on Wood Avenue. They were also cited as a concern at previous community meetings that discussed Cummins Highway in Roslindale.

"I know there are neighbors on Wood Avenue who are not really happy about that particular design on that street," she said, "and there wasn't really a great deal of engagement."

Speed humps would have been more effective and would not take away parking as the flex posts have, Tonge added. This has affected the residents of the two- and three-family houses. Millor said she would bring Tonge's concern back to the Boston Transportation Department (BTD).

Hyde Park is slated to receive some funding through the current version of the state budget. Emily Carrara, legislative aide to state Rep. Rob Consalvo, announced that funding was included in the House's version of the budget for several local initiatives. They included the local branch of the VITFriends, a vitiligo support group; public safety improvements for the Fairmount public housing development; programming for older adults throughout Hyde Park, Readville, Roslindale and West Roxbury; the beautification of neighborhood parkways; and The Pryde, the LGBTQ friendly apartment complex currently under construction at the former William Barton Rogers Middle School.

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KINAHAN

Adelina C. (DeVirgillo) of Roslindale, passed away on May 17, 2023. Beloved wife of the late William G. Kinahan. Loving mother of Gerard Kinahan, Susan Kane (and the late Richard Kane), Patricia Kinahan-Smith and husband, Vincent and Michael Kinahan and wife, Mary LeClair. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Lucie, Robert, Ian, Bridget, Matthew, Georgia and Luke. Great-grandmother of Owen Butler. Loving sister of Janet Maher, the late Frank DeVirgillo and Frederick DeVirgillo. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in The Holy Name Church. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made in her memory and sent to Perkins Braille & Talking Book Library, 175 North Beacon St., Watertown, MA 02472. www.perkins.org/Librarygifts Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

SQUIRES

Debra (Wolfson), age 58, of West Roxbury, formerly Newton, on May 20, 2023. Beloved wife of Jim. Loving mother of Sam. Devoted daughter of Rita Wolfson and the late Bernie Wolfson. Cherished sister of Jane Wolfson. Adored aunt to Billy Mitchell, Lauren Spang, Mike Nisbet and Alex Nisbet. Deb was raised in

Newton and graduated from the University of New Hampshire. She cherished her circle of childhood and college friends, along with the close friends she made during her working years and while Sam was in school. Her friends treasured Deb for her generosity, humor, and unique gift for making everyone feel valued and seen. Deb was a baker extraordinaire. For her, baking was a creative outlet and a vehicle for expressing love to her family and friends and marking milestones. Birthdays will never be the same. Deb also generously gave of her time to many non-profits, including: The Greater Boston Food Bank, Vote Forward, Rosie's Place, Boston Latin School Library, and the Chestnut Hill School. Most of all, Deb was devoted to Jim and Sam, the loves of her life. Deb and Jim were college sweethearts at UNH, and their loving partnership thrived for 34 years. We celebrated Deb's life on Wednesday, May 24 at the Levine Chapels, 470 Harvard St., Brookline. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to The Greater Boston Food Bank, www.gbfb.org Levine Chapels, Brookline 617-277-8300 www.levinechapel.com

STATHAKES

Anita E. (Ciarlone), a Sister in the Dominican Order known by the name Sister Agnese, T.O.P. Lifelong resident of Roslindale, passed away, May 21, 2023. Daughter of the late Gaetano and Emilia

(Mancini) Ciarlone. Wife of the late George Stathakes. Sister of the late Herman Ciarlone, Alma DeBaggis, Reynold Ciarlone and Robert Ciarlone. Aunt of Elaine DeGrandis, Roberta Trahan, Vincent DeBaggis, Lisa Oxford and the late Agostino "Tino" DeBaggis and Emily Millar. Also survived by many great-nieces and nephews; and her special friends, Cheryl DeBaggis and Dan Anselmo. Former Treasurer of the New England School of Art and Design, Boston. Anita was a graduate of Roslindale High School and a member of their National Honor Society. Her family would like to thank the Good Shephard Hospice for their care over the last couple of years and the Sunlight Care Team for their kind, compassionate and excellent care this last month. Visitation will be held at the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Thursday, June 1, from 9:00-9:45am, followed by a Traditional Funeral Mass at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Church, 270 Elliot St., Newton, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment in St. Michael Cemetery, Roslindale. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Anita's memory to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney St., Boston, MA 02215. For online guestbook pemmurrayfuneral.com P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons West Roxbury 617 325 2000.

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