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Dozens of residents joined city officials at the Deutches Altenheim annual Veterans Day Remembrance ceremony in West Roxbury.

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German Centre honors its veterans

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Deutches Altenheim's annual Veterans Day Service and Wall of Honor took place on Saturday to a crowd of almost 100 residents, veterans, officials and serving military.

The event honors the veterans of the neighborhood and those staying at the German Centre. It has become a mainstay every Veterans Day, with more photos and stories from vets going up on the Wall of Honor.

Newly-appointed CEO of the German Centre, Michael Lincoln, said the transition to the new job has been tough, and that likes to make his rounds through the building more than once a day, and he often finds himself reading the Wall of Honor during that time.

"I'll read one of the biographies and look at the photos and I'll understand automatically, you know, what am I complaining about?" he said. "A bad day I had compares nothing to what a veteran or someone doing service for the country endures."

State Sen. Mike Rush, an Iraq War veteran, lieutenant in the Navy Reserve, and Senate chairman for the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, said that while it is good and proper to honor veterans, there is still much work to be done.

"The War on Terror continues," he said. "As we sit here today at this ceremony, there are service members on watch in every corner of the globe, they



Local VFW Commander Richie Gormley talked to residents before the ceremony began.

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are ready to lay down their lives for the cause of democracy and the greater good."

Rush said the civilian support residents of West Roxbury and the country provide is absolutely essential. He said the military wouldn't be what it is today without them.

"The reality is that the veterans and servicepersons on duty cannot do their job without each and every one of you," he said. "The civilian support of our veterans is in fact a stabilizing force that gives our service members the courage, the strength and the resilience to get the job done each and every day."

Rush added that those he works with are among the best to put on the uniform.

"The sailors that I work with, along with the soldiers, marines, airmen and the members of the Coast Guard, are the finest women and men in the tradition of the service; members who have ever served our great nation," he said. "We are inspired by those who have taken the oath, worn the uniform made the sacri-

fices before us, and we will uphold their commitment to the finest principals of the United States."

Master Sgt. Daniel McMorrow said he came back to West Roxbury in 2009 from Operation Iraqi Freedom and retired from the Marine Corps six years ago. He said he was honored to be among the veterans at the German Centre.

"I really have to tell you that growing up here and walking around the woods back here, around the quarry and getting chased out of Billings Field, we grew up in this part of the city and we followed the example of what it meant to be to be a patriotic and prideful citizen, and it laid the building blocks for some of us who went to join the military," he said.

McMorrow said the support of the civilians in Boston and around the country is greatly appreciated. He said



East Roslindale resident and Mount Hope Mount Canterbury Neighborhood Association co-founder Tony Cataldo will be missed.

FILE PHOTO

MHMC remembers co founder

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Mount Hope Mount Canterbury Neighborhood Association (MHMC) remembered co-founder Anthony Cataldo last week.

Cataldo passed away of natural causes on Oct. 20. He started the neighborhood organization with friend Sal DeLorenzo more than 50 years ago. DeLorenzo said Cataldo worked hard for the neighborhood every day, voicing concerns for an area of Roslindale that has historically been neglected. DeLorenzo said Cataldo did everything he could to beautify the neighborhood; he even grew seedlings in his garden for neighbors to take whenever they could to have more greenery in the neighborhood.

"Tony was one of the greatest; he was born in this neighborhood and he started these meetings that we're having now in the late '60s," DeLorenzo said. "He liked everybody, and it's a shame that it had to happen the way it happened. He was a good friend. Like I said, there's a guy that grew a lot of seedlings and he'd give them to everybody, and he'd only plant six of them in his yard. I, for one, am going to miss him. He was my walking partner. I got to tell you, he did a very good job."

DeLorenzo said he was sorry that Cataldo didn't get to see the fruit of his labors regarding the intersection light currently under construction at the Dunkin Donuts at the American Legion Shopping Plaza.

"He never got to see it and it's too bad, he would've liked to see it," he said.

Current member Rick Yoder said he was a good friend to the organization and his knowledge of the area was always tough to beat.

"It was always interesting what he had to say; he had decades of experience on how to get things done and we're going

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Waite to receive Légion d'Honneur from French Consulate

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

West Roxbury resident and World War II veteran Edwin "Bud" Waite is known in the community for advocating for local veterans and veteran issues.

On Dec. 2, at 3 p.m. at the Stratford Street Church, The consulate will bestow the French Legion of Honor to Waite. Waite said he was very honored to receive the award.

"There's only been two or three guys in my division who have received it so far, it's quite an honor," Waite said. "It's about the highest award that the French government gives. I have the medal in hand, but they want to do it in person formally, and the French Consulate General is going to be there to do it. It's quite an honor as far as I'm concerned."

Waite served in the Company L, 260th Infantry Regiment from July 1944 to August 1945. Stationed 16 months overseas as an automatic rifleman, Private Edwin Waite participated in assaults on enemy positions in France, Germany and Austria. After arriving in Metz, France, the 260th Infantry Regiment joined General Patton's 3rd Army in an attempt to breach the Siegfried Line.

Waite said the honor has been bestowed on many U.S. service men and women who took part in the U.S. invasion of France, most famously involving D-Day and the Battle of the Bulge.

"I know that they've had quite a few during the Second World War because of the in-



West Roxbury resident and World War II veteran Edwin Waite will be receiving France's highest honor in a few weeks.

vasion of France, and I was very fortunate myself that I was not involved in the invasion and we just missed the Battle of the Bulge that ended just before we went into combat," he said. "So I was very fortunate, but we did spend about three months in combat going into Germany and ending up in Austria at the end of the European theater."

The honor itself was started by Napoleon in 1802 for the defense of France and is the oldest and highest honor in the country. The Legion of Honor is awarded by decree of the President of the French Republic, Mr. Emmanuel Macron. Since the 60th anniversary of D-Day, France recognizes every year many American Veterans of the World War II for their service. Waite said his particular application for the award traveled quite a distance

before he found out the French government approved it.

"I did know that it was started with Napoleon, but they're not giving very many out nowadays as they used to," he said. "They've cut back quite a bit, but I know in my particular case I didn't think I was ever going to hear anything. It first went to Washington, D.C. at the French Consul there and was approved, and then sent to the French Consulate here in Boston. It went back to Washington, then to France to get the okay from the president of the French Republic. I am very honored, I put in an application a couple of years ago and I didn't know if

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I would be eligible or not, but the important criteria was if I had combat on French soil. That was the main thing and when I first went into combat in WWII, way, way back, my division was right near the German line, and so I guess it was determined that we did have a few days on French Soil before we went into Germany."

Boston French Consulate Communications Director Judith Nicolas de Lieven-Guillou said they are trying to

award as many WWII veterans as they can because of the tireless work they did to free the country from Nazi Germany.

"We try to work with family to make sure they get this distinction as a huge gift that we should be giving them for helping with the liberation of France," she said.

Guillou added that they award the Legion to veterans all across New England every year. She said veterans from

Waite

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City, food bank, start holiday season with Giving Chain



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, Mass. Gov. Charlie Baker and members of the Greater Boston Food Bank tossed turkeys last week as part of the Thanksgiving Chain of Giving.

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Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

City officials, state representatives and members of the Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB) kicked off turkey season this year once again with the Thanksgiving Chain of Giving event last week.

Catherine D'Amato, President of the Greater Boston Food Bank, said this is just one small part of what the GBFB does to provide millions of meals to residents in Eastern Massachusetts. She said thanks to the efforts of residents and the GBFB, they've been able to help end hunger in the region.

"It takes all of us, that real public private partnership, to really end hunger across Massachusetts," she said. "Our vision to end hunger involves all of you, so making sure that no one in our state wakes up hungry. It takes all of us working together and this collective human chain is quite representative of that, standing side-by-side, shoulder-to-shoulder, moving food that feeds people."

D'Amato said though the work they do is impressive, there's always more that can be done.

"The Food Bank works across the 190 cities and towns of Eastern Massachusetts, more than 500 agencies receive this food and then directly distribute it to their communities," she said. "We constantly need to do more. We have achieved more than 50 million healthy meals now of distribution, that's remarkable and it's a huge accomplishment."

D'Amato said that one in eight residents in eastern Massachusetts and one in 10 in the country risk hunger every day. She added that they've also been able to increase their distribution to include more fresh produce, and said that more than a third of the food that is distributed is fresh.

"Ten or 15 years ago, the Greater Boston Food Bank couldn't move a carrot," she

said. "Not one. And now, fresh produce is well over 30 percent of that distribution."

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh passed more than one turkey during the event, and said the city is always working to get more food to those that need it.

"This is an incredible tradition, every year what we do here at the Food Bank and the loading of the truck and you hope that every year that as we unload it the need gets less and less, and unfortunately it doesn't always happen that way," he said. "The Greater Boston Food Bank is certainly an important and as a compassionate organization, forgiving, in making sure that families have the same things that all of us do."

Walsh said he saw the items of food going through the chain, and thought of how some people can take these traditions as the norm for everyone, when that is not necessarily the case.

"I thought to myself how for granted some people take stuffing at the dinner table thinking it's automatically there, and I started to look over and saw the cranberries, the vegetables and thought about how fortunate we are to have what we have and it's important that we continue to do what we do here," he said. "Fifty-seven million pounds of food gets distributed. On an individual meal basis, think about

this for a minute: 48.1 million meals come out of this facility. Forty-eight million meals for people, for families, for young kids; the impact that the Food Bank has on people is absolutely incredible."

Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker said he's glad to see the GBFB grow and provide more and more food for the state.

"When I look around this facility and I think about how much product comes in here and goes out every single day, and how big the network the Food Bank works with and has grown to be and sustained over time, you have to start with a tremendous amount of appreciation for the work that Catherine and her team and all of the partners that she works with and you work with every single day here in the Commonwealth get done," he said. "And I get the fact that we're heading into a holiday season, but the difference for a lot of people between having a chance to enjoy the holiday season the same way everybody else does is really in many respects a function of millions and millions of meals that are going to be delivered through this organization and this food bank and the partners it works with over the course of the season. You should all be enormously proud to be part of this."

Are Townies being given short shrift?

America is a nation on the move, and so is Boston.

All over the country words are being truncated to enable faster communication. For instance, "cell" replaces "cellular phone" just as "hippo" serves for "hippopotamus" and "rhino" for "rhinoceros."

In case you're wondering what "wi-fi" stands for, it stands for nothing, not even "wireless fidelity," unlike "hi-fi," the shortened form for "high fidelity."

Now after architects and engineers built this beautiful bridge some years ago connecting Charlestown to downtown - now an iconic Boston landmark both at night and during the day across the Charles River - it was given a hyphenated name to serve two constituencies: the Leonard P. Zakim-Bunker Hill Memorial Bridge.

The first part of the hyphenated name acknowledges the many contributions of Lenny Zakim, a Boston civil rights worker who died much before his time after a five-year bout with bone marrow cancer; the second park refer-



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ences a principal historic part of Charlestown, namely Bunker Hill (the erroneous name for Breed's Hill). As I recall, the formal name was a compromise to satisfy interested parties on both sides.

But Boston's traffic reporters, on television, radio, and in print form, always curtail its admittedly long name and call it merely "the Zakim." They completely omit articulating "Bunker Hill."

Galeota

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Letters to the Editor

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING WRFORP

To the Editor:

Thank you from WRFORP (West Roxbury Friends of Rosie's Place) to our many friends and supporters regarding our 25th annual Harvest Brunch, held Nov. 5, at the Irish Social Club in West Roxbury.

Welcomed friends from West Roxbury, Roslindale, and beyond attended for a festive meal to raise money for Rosie's Place, a shelter for poor and homeless women, the Rosie's Place food pantry, the Roslindale Food Pantry, and camperships to send homeless and poor children from Boston to summer camp programs.

We are so grateful to everyone who turned out to enjoy good friends and food, and to support a great cause. Special thanks to our Gold Sponsor, Rockland Trust, as well as these generous members of our business community: Irish Social Club of Boston, Roche Bros.

Supermarkets, Wegmans, Local 338 Bagels & Coffee, Starbucks, Home Depot, Henry's Market, Roslindale, Johnny's Market, Hyde Park, East Boston Savings Bank, and Blue Hills Bank. We were especially happy to be joined by two of WRFORP's original founders and lifelong friends, Helen Haley and Bill Hennessey, who were honored with roses and the appreciation of all. Thanks, too, to Rosie's Place Executive Director Sue Marsh for updating our supporters on the valuable programs in place at Rosie's Place. We were also joined by Councilors Annissa Essaibi-George, Ayanna Pressley, Matt O'Malley and MA Representative Ed Coppinger. Kudos to our Event Chair, WRFORP Board Member Alicia O'Brien, and many thanks again to all who attended, contributed, and volunteered, including members our youth chapter the Rosebuddies. We couldn't do this without you!

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Developer CAD Builders is looking to put 29 single-family homes on this spot on Willet Street in West Roxbury, just north of Washington Street and east of the West Roxbury Crushed Stone Quarry.

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CAD proposes 29 single family homes on Willet St.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Canton-based CAD Builders LLC filed a letter of intent with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) last week proposing 29 new single-family homes for 23-52 Willet St.

The total Proposed

Project is approximately 75,400 square feet for a 7.75-acre parcel of land. Developer representative and former West Roxbury representative for the BPDA Chris Tracy said in the letter of intent that the neighborhood has called for more single-family development and, according to Tracy, the neighborhood

has been receptive to the idea from their initial outreach.

“The Proponent has already undertaken a grassroots approach of outreach in the community and the project has been well-received by West Roxbury residents who have desired to see new development fit the character of the exist-

ing neighborhood,” he said in the letter. “Additionally, the Proponent is a reputable builder that has constructed many homes in this immediate neighborhood and their high quality of work

speaks for itself.”

The project is large enough for the BPDA’s Article 80 Large Project Review process, and will re-

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Boy Scouts retire flags at the Gardens at Gethsemene

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

Saturday was a day to honor all veterans.

One way to pay homage to them that few people know about is to properly dispose of flags that are tattered, battered and no longer fit for display. Alan J. MacKinnon, CCE has made it his personal mission to show veterans the utmost re-

spect by replacing flags with new ones on Memorial Day and properly disposing of them in a Veterans Day flag burning ceremony incorporating Holy Name Boy and Cub Scouts from Troop 7.

"I think it just pulls it together," said MacKinnon of the ceremony. "There was just such a need for this in our community. People just have these flags in their basements and in their

attics. If they are tattered and torn, they don't know what to do with them.

"Some of them are very sentimental," he continued. "They were draped over a casket or flying over a house. And they don't want to throw them in the trash, which is the wrong thing to do anyway."

MacKinnon gathered thousands of flags from local cemeteries. The Boy and Cub Scouts reverently carried bundles of flags to blazing barrels, carefully placing them inside to burn. The flames warmed the freezing Vet-

erans Day air, reminiscent of torches of battle.

There are about 60 Cub Scouts currently registered and 60 Boy Scouts, according to Scoutmaster Julio Fuentes of Troop 7 Holy Name Parish. He gathered several scouts to read parts of a document entitled, "What Is a Flag?" at a post-burning ceremony attended by about 40 people.

Excerpts included:

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Thousands of flags were retired over the weekend at the Gardens of Gethsemene ceremony in West Roxbury.

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quire several public meetings and city approval before construction can start. According to CAD Builders, the organization is a "single-family housing construction company."

The site itself is on mostly a dirt road or what is called a paper street (a street only on paper, planning maps etc.). The developer would most likely be required to pave the area. According to the BPDA website, a large area behind Willet is zoned for Conservation Protection, and development would have to go through a separate Boston Conservation Commission process as well.



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MassDOT is looking at installing a dedicated bus lane on Washington Street.

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Dedicated bus lane for Washington St. being considered

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The MBTA, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the City of Boston announced this week that it is starting the process of considering a possible dedicated bus lane on Washington Street in Roslindale, between Roslindale Square and the Forest Hills MBTA Station.

MassDOT spokesperson Jacquelyn Goddard said in

a statement on Monday that the city has reached out to her organization and the MBTA to get the wheels moving and start a community process and public outreach in the spring.

The idea is not new, and residents have been advocating for it for some time. Organizations such as WalkUP Roslindale have pushed for it, and though it would eliminate some parking on the street, residents have complained consis-

tently that much of that parking is used by commuters to walk to Forest Hills and take the Orange Line into town. Officials have also conducted surveys and studies that back up this assumption.

The concept comes from the fact that the buses on the street, particularly the Route 39 Bus, get backed up on Washington. Many residents have pointed out in the past that the buses bunch up, sometimes three

at a time, because of the traffic and congestion there and a dedicated bus lane would help ease that problem.

The idea was also explored in the May release of the Go Boston 2030 Transportation Plan:

“Using a reserved transit lane on Washington Street and bus signal priority, all existing bus service between Roslindale and Forest Hills would be able to operate clear of traffic congestion, greatly

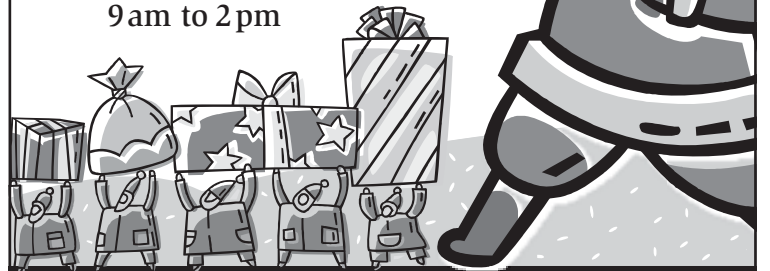
increasing transit speed, capacity, and reliability. The transit lane could be reversible, and flexible curb regulations would preserve vehicle capacity in the peak direction. With these bus service improvements, existing services could serve more riders in Roslindale and in points further south. In the long term, this route could utilize abandoned rail tracks that extend to Hyde Park, potentially bringing rapid bus to even more underserved residents.”

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every state in New England, except Connecticut, are eligible for the award.

Guillou said that many times the ceremony allows veterans to open up and tell their stories, which they may have kept for themselves for decades.

“It makes such a difference, especially for the vets, because very often they start talking about what happened only when they know they’re get-

ting this recognition and that’s only when their family finds out what they did when they were young,” she said. “Four veterans were decorated together last year and they had never talked about it and then suddenly their family said because we were giving this recognition, suddenly that’s when their grandfathers start talking about it, and that’s why it’s always super moving.”

She added that in some special cases, the event can also be a reunion for veterans who haven’t seen each other for years, and in one case, since the end of the war.

“Earlier in September we had three vets in Cambridge and it was strange because they knew each other from a long time ago, but they hadn’t seen each other,” she said. “It really was like a family reunion.”

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BPD mourns officer



The men and women of the Boston Police Department solemnly salute, mourn and recognize the passing of Narcotics K-9 Hanz, a nine-year veteran of the department, who certainly made our city safer through his dedication and service. During his career, Hanz played a pivotal role in multiple narcotic-related arrests, as well as drug seizures and received multiple commendations for his contributions. Suffice to say, Hanz will be sorely missed and not soon forgotten.

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Years ago, Cleveland’s Jacobs Field, where the Indians baseball team plays, was informally shortened to and called “the Jake.” Because the informal moniker can refer to a bathroom (as well as to a generic fireman), Cleveland Indians broadcasters could never use “the Jake” when referring to the site of the next home game.

Back to the bridge: I’m not from Charlestown and know only a handful of people who reside there. Nor have I ever attended the historic June 17 parade there. Charlestown is not the place it used to be, because of gentrification. With containerized cargo now in place, there are not many stevedores there working on the docks, and even fewer of them actually residing in 02129.

Bostonians frequently take pride in the neighborhood in which they grew up. Those from Mission Hill, Savin Hill, and Brighton seem to take the most pride. And so it seems logical that some people from Charlestown might take umbrage at the reference to the shortened form of “The Zakim Bridge.” Perhaps I’m wrong (again).

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Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Honourable Stephen McNeil, Premier of Nova Scotia, will commemorate 100 years of friendship between Boston and Nova Scotia at the 76th Annual Tree Lighting on Boston Common on Thursday, Nov. 30, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

“Nova Scotia and Boston have shared a special bond for a century, and I’m pleased we will come together again this year to celebrate the friendship and connection between our two homes,” said Mayor Walsh.

The celebration is presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, title sponsor The Province of Nova Scotia, Jumbotron sponsor JetBlue, and presenting sponsors Distrigas/ENGIE and IKEA with media partners WCVB Channel 5, Magic 106.7 FM, the Boston Herald and the Boston Globe. Additional support is provided by The Christmas Tree Promotion Board, XFINITY and Capital One.

The holiday lights throughout both parks will light up in sequence shortly before 8 p.m., when Mayor Walsh will be joined onstage by Premier McNeil, members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Santa Claus. The show will close with a pyrotechnic display by Atlas PyroVision.

The holiday decorations throughout the Boston Common and the Public Garden include the City of Boston’s official Christmas tree. A 53-foot white spruce tree donated by Bob and Marion Campbell and family of Blues Mills in Inverness County on Cape Breton Island has been selected for this year’s celebration.

“A century ago, our American neighbors played a critical role in aiding our province during the aftermath of the Halifax Explosion,” said Premier McNeil. “Nova Scotia will never forget the support the people of Boston and the surrounding area provided. As a thank you, and to mark our ongoing friendship, we are very pleased once again to give the gift of a beautiful Nova Scotia Christmas tree and celebrate the season in your city.”

WCVB’s Anthony Everett and Shayna Seymour will host Channel 5’s live broadcast of the event beginning at 7 p.m. featuring Nova Scotia’s Port Cities, Grammy-nominated songwriter and performer Kara DioGuardi, the cast of “Elf: The Musical,” Ellis C. Dawson III from the cast of Disney’s “Aladdin,” the Boston Pops Gospel Choir, and this year’s headliner, the Grammy Award-winning

group All 4 One.

The lighting of the trees on the Common is made possible through the generosity of The Egan Foundation, the Lynch Family, the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, John Moriarty & Associates and contributions from other individuals and institutions.

The annual holiday display includes the official Christmas tree from Nova Scotia and trees throughout Boston Common. Refreshments and additional support will be provided by promotional sponsors Dunkin’ Donuts, DAVIDsTEA, H.P. Hood LLC, DASANI SPARKLING, the Must Be The Milk initiative of the New England Dairy Promotion Board and an appearance by the L.L. Bean Bootmobile.

This is the 46th year that Nova Scotia has given a tree to the people of Boston as thanks for relief efforts following the Dec. 6, 1917, explosion of a munitions ship in Halifax Harbor. Within 24 hours of the disaster a train loaded with supplies and emergency personnel was making its way from Boston to Nova Scotia. For more information please call (617) 635-4505, go to www.boston.gov/parks, or visit us on Facebook. For Boston Common parking information go to www.massconvention.com/bcg.html.

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and women who serve and protect our freedoms. Let White stand for purity, innocence and liberty that we all fight for. Let Blue stand for the sky above us under which we all must live together.”

Several flags were kept to the side. The blue section was cut apart first into pieces, then the stripes. People could take a piece to burn in honor of a veteran or a loved one as a sign of respect and remembrance.

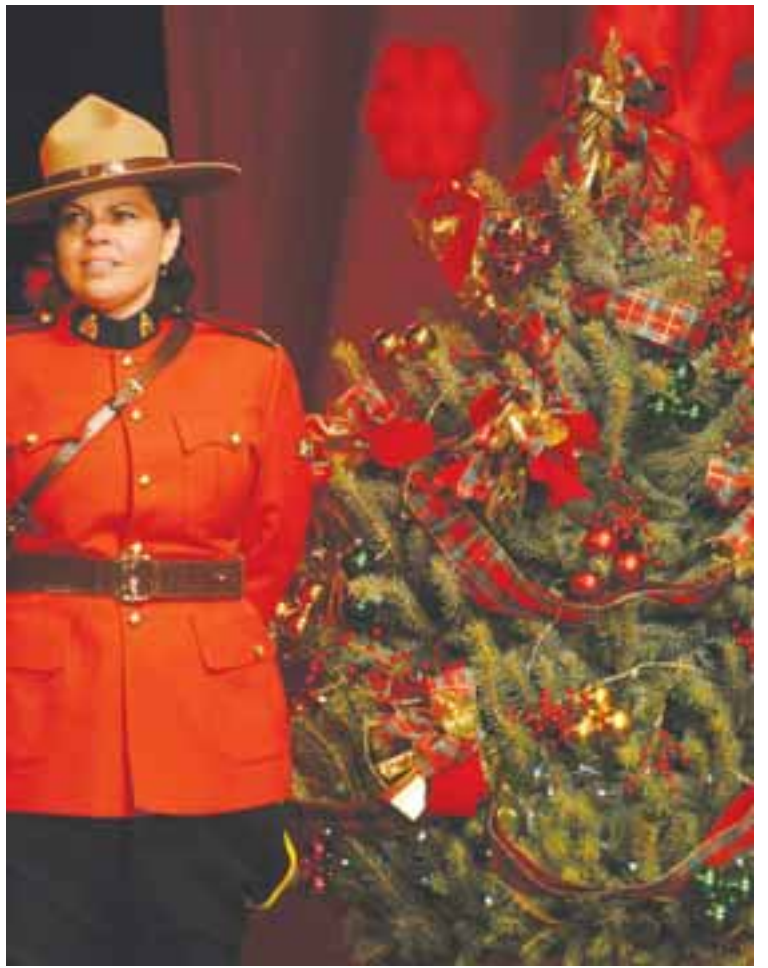
“My son Gabriel is a Cub Scout, Pack 3,” said Brian Nolan, who also participated in the ceremony with his wife, Michelle Salfity. “We are here to support the Boy Scouts. It’s very important that he learn about citizenship at a young age. That’s why we are here today. We don’t mind the cold.”

He added that he has been a Cub Scout master for 15 to 20 years.

Gabriel, who was a little shy, said he was there “to show respect to the soldiers.”

“Sometimes, the kids are too young to get the full impact,” noted Bryan. “It might not seem respectful, especially when they see flags burned for other reasons. But to do this right now, this way, in a very nice ceremony, hits home.

“We do talk about veterans with the scouts and what they have done for our country. We also do a planting on Memorial Day and have a good relationship with the local VFW post, and the scouts get to see it full circle.”



The tree will soon be shipped from Nova Scotia under Mounted Police escort. COURTESY PHOTO



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was at St. Joseph Cemetery. Mr. Bohan was a WWII Army Veteran and received a Purple Heart and the Silver Star for Gallantry in Action. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his name to Wounded Warrior Project at woundedwarriorproject.org.

CLARK

Patricia A. (Greene) Of Jamaica Plain, Nov. 11, 2017. Beloved wife of the late Frank W. Clark. Devoted mother of Frank Clark and his wife Bobbie of Texas, Ann Birlle and her husband Hans of Westwood, Martha Sutherland and her husband Rae of Maine, Paul Clark and his wife

Clare of West Roxbury, Robert Clark and his wife Jennifer of Scituate, James Bisson and his wife Deborah of Melrose, and the late Stephen Clark, Patricia Yellope and her surviving husband Joseph, David Clark, and Eric Clark. Loving grandmother of David, Jody, Katarina, Talia, Elizabeth, Miles, Tess, Dylan, Jordan, Aedan, and Ian. Visiting hours at the P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, Friday, Nov. 17 from 3-7 p.m. Funeral from the funeral home Saturday, Nov. 18 at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Jamaica

Plain at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Patricia's memory to the Italian Home for Children, 1125 Centre St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. Online guestbook at pemurrayfuneral.com.

CREDE

Laurice "Mitzi" (Haddad) Of West Roxbury, Nov. 8, 2017. Dear and devoted wife of the late Henry W. Crede. Loving mother of Alan Crede and his wife Patricia of Westwood, Clifford Crede of West Roxbury, Kenneth Crede of West Roxbury and the late Carolyn

Crede Gerety. Beloved grandmother, "Gram" of John Gerety, Lynn Gerety, Alan H. Crede, Christine Crede, Jason Crede and Andrew Crede. Great grandmother "Gigi" of Ryan, Shawn and Brendan Gerety and Jackson Crede. Dear sister of the late Mabel Shumilla, and Richard, Shaheen and Michael Haddad. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral Service was at Our Lady of the Annunciation Melkite Cathedral, 7 VFW Pkwy., WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mitzi's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105 or to the Cathedral. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Guestbook and other information at www.kfouryfuneral.com Kfoury

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to miss him," Yoder said.

Office of Neighborhood Services Roslindale Representative Dan Murphy said they didn't always see eye to eye, but they became friends since he started working for the city.

"Tony and I had some differences, but I think through coming to these meetings throughout my time here we've gained a mutual respect for each other and I think we worked very well here," he said. "Tony is representative of why these types of neighborhood associations work. He was a staple to what these were all about, so I actually really admire and respect him for that."

DeLorenzo said his friend may have been a bit ornery at times when it came to neighborhood issues, but that was only because he cared so much for his friends and neighbors.

"He used to come on strong, but that's what he was used to," DeLorenzo said. "Sometimes he got carried away a bit, but he didn't mean nothing."

The MHMC also discussed signs, one old and one new. The old, according to MHMC member Lisa Beatman, has been an eyesore in the neighborhood for almost a decade.

"We're talking about the old ramshackle B sign from when Blockbuster was a thriving business here," she said. "We are working so hard as a neighborhood for beauty and we have a reputation that's worse than it is because it looks ramshackle and dangerous, and it isn't. We have been patient, but it is in violation of neighborhood commercial norms and the Parkway Greenbelt protections. It just perpetuates more of the same and even new places say 'Well look, they do it there we don't have to do something nice.' It would take so little money to take it down."

Murphy said the sign is on private property, which means the city can only push for the sign to get taken down, but cannot force the property owner to do it. He said they have been trying to convince the property owner that it would only help in the long run.

"I'm not sure there's much I can do about that except express the sentiment of the community," he said. "I'm not certain if there is much, from a city perspective, to have them cooperate in that area, but like I said I'm working with them to address the security issues first, and I think that's something that we can maybe try and revisit in the future. I would just like to focus on the security aspect first."

The new sign discussed was for the Tabernacle Baptist Congregational Church, at 575 American Legion Highway. The church wants to put in a new digital sign that will be visible – as currently, the sign for the organization is very low and obscured by a chain link fence. It works to inform

the community of events and programs in the area.

The sign is designed to be 12 feet high and would light up at night. Residents were concerned about this, as the light could prove to be a disruption for neighbors, but Dr. Carlot Celestin, Assistant Pastor at Tabernacle Baptist Congregational Church, said they would work with the city to figure out what times would be appropriate and also take neighborhood input. The city has final say on the times the sign would be on. The sign is not an allowed use in the neighborhood and would also require approval from the Boston Zoning Board of Appeal.

Resident Charles Brown said he lives in a building across the street and the residents of that building work around the clock, and he said they wouldn't appreciate a lit up sign bringing light into their bedroom windows.

"You've got to understand I live in a 42-unit building; we have people who go to work on all different shifts," he said. "We have windows on that side of the highway that will disturb some of the owners and residents who live there."

Celestin said he would work with the neighborhood, and they haven't yet figured out exactly when the sign would be in operation. Brown said he wanted that figured out as soon as possible before the sign goes up.

"When it comes to us in this part of Roslindale, trying to get things taken care of we have to jump through hoops. This isn't up yet, I'd like to get something worked out now so we don't have to jump through hoops," he said.

Celestin said the sign would only be used for church purposes and they would not be selling ad space. He said the sign would be representative of the church and the community it serves.

"We don't want to put up something that looks like Burger King, because we're not Burger King. We've picked something that looks like church," he said.

Residents said they were not exactly happy with the sign, but they would work with the church to try and get it sorted out. Beatman and resident Mary Brown both said the chain link fence and adjoining barb wire have been a problem for them in the neighborhood for some time, again playing to the ramshackle view of the neighborhood.

Celestin said they are working on it, but it takes time and money to remove such fencing.

"There are costs associated," he said. "It's not that we don't want to do things that would be appealing to everyone, but every single thing costs money. Even the way we are trying to make it more usable for the community, it costs a lot... This is the first time we are considering making something that looks a little bit better to make the community look nice for this sign. It's taken us 15 years to get here. I don't know how long it's going to take us to take down the fence."

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CITYWIDE

COMMON TREE LIGHTING

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Honourable Stephen McNeil, Premier of Nova Scotia, will commemorate 100 years of friendship between Boston and Nova Scotia at the 76th Annual Tree Lighting on Boston Common on Thursday, Nov. 30, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The holiday lights throughout both parks will light up in sequence shortly before 8 p.m., when Mayor Walsh will be joined onstage by Premier McNeil, members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Santa Claus. The show will close with a pyrotechnic display by Atlas PyroVision.

The celebration is presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, title sponsor The Province of Nova Scotia, Jumbotron sponsor JetBlue, and presenting sponsors Distrigas/ENGIE and IKEA with media partners WCVB Channel 5, Magic 106.7 FM, the Boston Herald and the Boston Globe. Additional support is provided by The Christmas Tree Promotion Board, XFINITY and Capital One.

BOSTON CENTERS FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES' 2017 HUBNOB EVENT

HubNob will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017 at the House of Blues Boston and will feature a "Big Top HubNob" carnival

theme.

The Foundation for BCYF will roll out the red carpet with a carnival theme, "Big Top HubNob," focusing on having fun with a purpose and highlighting BCYF's programs and facilities to create awareness for BCYF. Guests will enjoy prize-winning games, an auction, food from local restaurants, and live entertainment by Boston's top dance band, Soul City Band. Proceeds from the event go towards outcome-driven programs and services for Boston's youth and families.

Coach Willie Maye, in-arena host for the Boston Celtics, will serve as master of ceremonies and auction off unique items during the VIP Reception held in the Foundation Room. Corporate Partner of the Year, Kevin Fitzgerald Community Empowerment and Kevin Fitzgerald Citywide Excellence Awards will be presented to Comcast, Elizabeth Miranda, Executive Director of Hawthorne Youth and Community Center, and BCYF staff members.

For more information about the event, contact HubNob's event producer, AJ Williams at AJ Williams Events at 617-267-2244 or Pamela A. Leins, Director of Planning & Development, Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) at 617-635-4920 x2701.

WEST ROXBURY/ROSLINDALE

ETHOS AGE WELL CAFÉ

On Tuesday, Nov. 21 at noon join

us for the Ehos Age Well Café. Located at the Spring Street Apartments on 23 Spring St., West Roxbury. Space is limited and reservations are required. To reserve your seat, please contact 617-477-6616.

THE WEST ROXBURY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING

The agenda will include a presentation from O'Neil and Associates on a proposed development of approximately 29 single family homes; complete with a new street, running parallel to Washington Street, and associated infrastructure on a 7.75 acre lot of land owned by the Proponent off the Willet Street Extension. The total proposed project is approximately 75,400 gross square feet. The Proposed Project presents a unique opportunity to create new housing and homeownership opportunities on a large, unoccupied parcel of land in West Roxbury. This is informational only as the project is in the very early stages and the proponent would like to introduce it to the community. Also zoning relief for a second floor addition (on existing footprint) and a rear deck at 30 Caspar St. will be reviewed. The WRNC meeting will be held in the community room at the District E-5 Police station at 1708 Centre St., (at the Holy Name rotary.) The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. All WRNC meetings are open to the public.

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LONG

Michael Patrick Died at home, in West Roxbury, on Nov. 1, 2017. He was 59 years old. Well known for deep pride in his Irish roots, Michael was the son of Patrick J. and Helen M. Long of Princeton, N.J. He was born and raised in Princeton, N.J. with his sister Eileen and brother Brian. He moved to Boston in the late 1970s, where he worked, bought property and happily adopted the city as his home. Michael was an avid sports-fan and joined the Red Sox for their winning World Series game in 2004. In his earlier years, living in New Jersey, he played football and studied martial arts. A music lover, he was quick to sing or whistle a tune for all occasions. He worked on life-long collections, including an admirable list of classic motorcycles, old US coins and special photographs. He was a voracious reader with keen interest in Irish and Boston history. A naturally gifted wordsmith and story teller, Michael charmed everyone with his sense of humor, big heart and unique perspective on humanity. His love of travel and a long journey throughout Europe in 1989 was a favorite source of material. Michael will be missed most for his kindness and generosity to both those he knew and strangers he saw in need. He always said "I do that because I can!" Predeceased by his father, Patrick, Michael is survived by his mother, Helen Long of Princeton, N.J., brother Brian J. Long of Princeton, N.J., sister M. Eileen Long and brother-in-law, Tarik R. Shahbender, also both of Princeton, N.J., and many cousins and friends in Boston, across the

USA and around the world. Family and friends visitation was held at The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, 40 Vandeventer Ave., PRINCETON, N.J. A mass of Christian burial followed on Nov. 10, 2017 at St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, 214 Nassau St., Princeton, N.J. Donations, in memory of Michael, can be made to The Jimmy Fund in Brookline, Mass., c/o the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA, jimmyfund.org.

MULRY

Elizabeth A. (Tosti) Of West Roxbury and Gloucester, formerly of Jamaica Plain, Nov. 5, 2017. Beloved wife of the late James J. Mulry. Loving mother of Karen M. Hickman and her husband Barry of West Roxbury, Donna M. Martel and her husband Douglas and their children Clement, Elizabeth, and Jason of San Diego, Calif., Sheila M. Delamere and her husband Mark and their son Mark, Jr. of West Roxbury, Jim J. Mulry and his wife Laura and their children James III, Paige, John and Natalie of West Roxbury, and Joseph J. Mulry and his wife Mary and their children Riley, JJ, and Maggie of West Roxbury. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Loving sister of Olga Dunn of Walpole and the late Joseph and John Tosti. Funeral was 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. Visiting hours was in the Funeral Home. Interment was at St. Mary Cemetery Needham. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Elizabeth Mulry's memory on behalf of Mark Delamere, Jr. to Journey Forward,

5 Shawmut Rd. Canton, MA 02021. www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home

WALSH

Christine Evelyn (Patton) Of Westwood, formerly of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully on Nov. 8, 2017. Beloved wife of John B. Walsh. Loving mother of Conor J. Walsh of Boston, Aidan G. Walsh of Boston, Patrick J. Walsh of Brookline and Maria E. Walsh of Westwood. Cherished grandmother of Lucy J. Walsh of Boston, Marion E. Walsh of Boston and Christina E. Walsh of Sarasota, Fla. Daughter of Elaine Patton Caradimos and the late George Patton and stepdaughter of the late George Caradimos. Sister of Carol Monk and her husband Paul of Wareham, and the late Andrea Sweeney. Sister-in-law of James Sweeney of Monument Beach. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Christine was a graduate of Wareham High School and Syracuse University. In addition to being a wife and mother, she was a Legislative Aide, Mass. House of Representatives, State Senate, Office of the House Minority Leader. Funeral was from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Funeral Mass was in St. Theresa Church. Interment was held at Mt. Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the Benedictine Monks of Norcia Foundation, 10685-B Hazelhurst Dr. #18857, Houston, TX 77043 (https://en.nursia.org) or the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Rd, Waltham, MA 02452 (alz.org).

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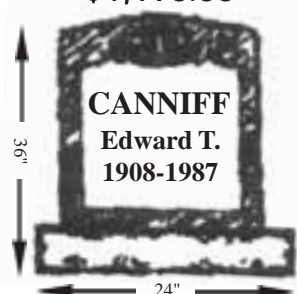
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU14D1887DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Chetachi Allah vs. Lord Ralek Allah
Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA 02114
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of the marriage.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Chetachi Allah, 123 Needham Rd., #1, Hyde Park, MA 02136** your answer, if any, on or before **12/21/2017**. 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 11, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court
Hyde Park Bulletin, 11/16/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU17C0506CA
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
In the Matter of: Sue Rabut Cartwright
Of: West Roxbury, MA.
To all person interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Sue Rabut Cartwright requesting that:
Sue Rabut Cartwright be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:
Sue Anne Rabut
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: Boston ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: 11/30/2017
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: October 27, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 11/16/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
DOCKET No. SU16P2929EA
Estate of: Bernard McKinnon
Date of Death: 09/25/2015
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
To all interested persons:
A petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by:
Steven K. Hemingway of Boston, MA
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 11/16/2017. 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 five (5) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dun, First Justice of this Court
Date: November 09, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin, 11/16/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU15P0116GD
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF A GUARDIANSHIP OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON
In the Interests of: David D. Hoyt
Of: Roxbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Boston Medical Center of Boston, MA
Vero Health and Rehabilitation of West Roxbury, MA
In the above captioned matter requesting that the court:
The petition asks the Court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00A.M. on the return date of **11/23/2017**. 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. Dunning, First Justice of said Court
Date: October 17, 2017
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 11/16/2017

Veterans Day *continued from page 1*

it was good to see what they were fighting for.

"We are also thankful for the families that are home, who are keeping the fires burning, keeping the kids in school and everything else," he said. "I'm just proud to come from this area and know that we are a patriotic people and it's not lost on us, it's up to us instill it in the next generations."

Deputy Commissioner at City of Boston Veterans' Ser-

and redirects our path in life."

State Rep. Edward Coppinger said West Roxbury has a long tradition of honoring and valuing its veteran population.

"Veterans Day and this event is one of the best days I have as a state representative, our community has a strong tradition in honoring veterans for their service," he said. "I remember as a kid seeing political signs for those running for office, and

was thankful for that during his stay there.

"I'm a former patient here at the Deutches Altenheim," he said. "Four years ago I beat the system, I was only here for two months and I got out of here. What happened was I had an operation down at the VA hospital on the VFW Parkway and they put four rods up my back and I couldn't walk, so they sent me to rehab, and

"The War on Terror continues," he said. "As we sit here today at this ceremony, there are service members on watch in every corner of the globe, they are ready to lay down their lives for the cause of democracy and the greater good."

– State Sen. Michael Rush

vices and former U.S. Marine Robert Santiago said that all who serve now do so for the love of their country, and it is a great thing to see that love returned.

"Many of us here today have born the burden and experienced the fatigue of waging war in order to bring peace. To you, I say thank you, and thank you for setting the example that inspired me and many of my peers to raise our hands in voluntary service to our great country," he said. "The services joins us together like no other bond; the comradely and fellowship we shared in military service helps to define us and ultimately profoundly changes our character

splattered across the top of the sign in big gold letters, it read 'veteran.' And that word mattered in local elections in West Roxbury, because we valued our veterans."

Coppinger said his father and his five uncles all served in the military, and he said it was through them he learned of the importance of service.

"My father taught me to love our country, honor our flag and be thankful," he said.

West Roxbury VFW Post 2902 Commander, Lord Mayor of West Roxbury and veteran himself Richard Gormley said the German Centre always takes care of veterans, and he

I didn't want to go Brockton and I didn't want to go to New Bedford, so I chose this place here. They took very good care of me four years, but two months was enough for me."

District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley said the community can always do more to recognize service.

"To those who served and put a uniform on, we pause today and we should pause every day, and I am so incredibly grateful and honored to represent so many of you, to remember you and honor you for your great service so thank you," he said.

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THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE

All home-made pies, cookies, etc. All proceeds go to homeless shelters in the Boston area. The bake sale takes place on Nov. 19, 2017 at 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. located at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church 21 Stratford St., West Roxbury (corner of Celement Avenue and Stratford Street.

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days, or long weekends.

Homework Help mentor trainings provided by Harvard University's Public School Partnerships Team, the developers of SmartTalk, a program that uses research-based tools, strategies, and resources to support students during homework time. Located at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library.

ESL CONVERSATION GROUP

Come practice speaking English with other adult ESL learners and new English speakers in an informal and friendly group setting. Groups are led by a native English speaker. If you have questions about these groups, please call 617.859.2446 or email mtheroux@bpl.org. Group meets at 6:15 p.m. on Nov. 20. Located at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library.

BEGINNING SENIOR YOGA

On Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 3 p.m., please join our Hands to Heart Center's Senior Yoga Classes which incorporate gentle touch, gradual stretching, connected breathing, deep relaxation and community building. Chairs and props are provided to keep everyone safe and supported – no need to bring a yoga mat and absolutely no yoga experience is required. Please sign up at the West Roxbury Branch or call 617-325-3147. The classes are held at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library.

44TH ANNUAL WILLIAM S. CONLEY THANKSGIVING DINNER

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

SANTA SCAMPER 5K ROAD RACE

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

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

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

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