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Members of the Massport Citizens Advisory Council say they have a plan that could help reduce airplane noise in the city.

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## Fair Skies proposes plane slowdown

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Boston South Fair Skies Group recently announced they have proposed a plan to reduce noise in neighborhoods by slowing down planes as they depart runways.

The plan, suggested as part of the Block 1 phase of a study currently being conducted by MIT Professor R. John Hansman, PhD, and Fair Skies member Alan Wright, said this could be a good way to reduce noise in the neighborhood, if the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) decides to implement it.

“That slower (takeoff) would result in the planes being a little bit lower, but with much less noise,” Wright said.

Wright said that the slowdown

could help the airlines save a bit of fuel, but that no one aviation company is doing it, so that they do not reduce their departure times.

“Because they’re all competing on their departure time statistics, having them going a little slower might add to their stats, but if it’s required of everybody, then everybody’s equal,” he said.

Wright said the slowdown would reduce noise in two ways, based on how the engines and the construction of planes are built.

“There are two things that cause noise from airplanes; one is the thrust of engines and vibrations on the frame of the jet,” Wright said. “When they’re pushing hard to get up and out not only are they running the engines at a higher thrust, they’re causing more air frame vibration. We see this sometimes when, for whatever rea-

sons, a jet will go slow and they’ll be a little lower and sometimes you can barely hear them.”

Wright said he is trying to file meetings with both the Boston City Council and Massport – the agency that runs Logan Airport – but he said he doesn’t know if Massport will meet with them or how they would react to the idea of slowing down departing planes.

“I don’t know if Massport is going to give an opinion or not... It hasn’t been tested as whether we can force them to take our recommendation,” he said. “Massport’s perspective is they like to keep the airlines happy, that’s where they get their revenue. Massport agreed to make our recommendations to the FAA, and the FAA is going to o

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Fire officials say not one carbon monoxide detector was present or working at the house on Hyde Park Avenue when one resident died.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Detectors to blame for CO death

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

About two weeks ago, one Roslindale resident lost his life and two others were hospitalized when the combination of a faulty oven and a faulty heater released deadly amounts of carbon monoxide into the building at 741 Hyde Park Ave.

According to the Boston Fire Department (BFD), the lack of functional carbon monoxide detectors was the root cause of the incident’s severity.

“There are five condo units and there were some that had the detectors’ batteries taken out. There was also some where we couldn’t find any detectors at all, and there were some where it appears they were taken down, and this was for smoke

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## Chef’s Table creating series

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Chef’s Table Foundation, created in the Parkway almost five years ago, announced this week they are looking to start four new television shows based around children’s and seniors’ health.

The foundation was started in order to provide funding and a megaphone for homeless issues in the region. Co-Founder Joe Murphy said they’ve used ticket sales from their

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The Chef’s Table Foundation has hosted dozens of events in the Parkway to help raise funds for homeless youth and veterans.

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As you get older you may be faced with more health conditions that you need to treat on a regular basis. It is important to be aware that the increased use of medications and the normal body changes caused by aging can increase the chance of unwanted or maybe even harmful drug interactions. Please call **DEUTSCHES ALTENHEIM** to schedule a consultation and tour of our senior community at **2222 Centre Street, West Roxbury**. *Ask about our Schrafft Pavilion for Alzheimer/Dementia Care and Edelweiss Village.*

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public access cooking show to raise funds for cordon bleu scholarships for homeless youth and veterans in the region at the Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Dorchester. Now, Murphy said they are expanding the show – which currently reaches more than four million residents in Massachusetts and New Hampshire – with four new programs.

“One will be to help seniors with cooking, one will be to help seniors with nutrition,” Murphy said. “We’ll have (Chef’s Table co-founder) Carol O’Connor, of course, and hopefully we’ll soon have an expert in senior lifestyle, a PHD or an M.D., we just haven’t figured out who we’re going to get for that.”

Murphy said the other target they want their two additional shows to tackle would be that of childhood obesity.

“About 27 percent of our population is designated as obese, so we have partnered

with the Boston Public Schools, in particular their executive director of food service and nutrition Laura Bedridden,” he said. “That will also have a cooking and nutrition and fitness segment and we’re trying to reach out to the Boston Children’s Hospital. They have a whole department dedicated to childhood obesity because it has become such a critical health problem. Obesity, as you know, can lead to diabetes, sometimes heart problems and various other things. I’m sure it also affects folks on a psychological standing as well.”

Murphy said one of their board members came up with the idea of branching out.

“He is the manager of the MIT Endicott Conference Center, which is owned by MIT, and he’s been very helpful to our foundation and he challenged Carol and me,” Murphy said. “He said, ‘who are you and what do you do?’ Well, we try to be an educational and cooking show, and he said, ‘that’s it.’ We considered who could we help in society? Who could use content about health issues and cooking and how to maintain a life?”

Murphy said the childhood obesity aspect of their new programming was what hit them first.

“It’s an epidemic in this country, and it crosses all cultural and economic backgrounds and it’s becoming a real tragedy,” he said. “So we started researching about six months ago and developed relationships with Laura and Rob Consalvo. I ran into him on the street here in Hyde Park and he suggested we work with the Boston School Department because he is the chief of staff there and he put me in touch with Laura who resides in West Roxbury – a really sharp woman, she’s incredible, a really great personality – and now we’re looking for major supporters who focus on health and childhood issues.”

Murphy said they reached out to New Balance and many other organizations around the city for help on this. Murphy also said they would be hosting a brunch Snowflake and Champagne event on Feb. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the MIT Endicott featuring Hank Phillippi Ryan and Chef Jay Hajj. Phillippi Ryan is the on air investigative reporter for Boston’s WHDH-TV, winning 34 EMMYs and dozens more journalism honors. Celebrity Chef Jay Hajj is the chef and owner of Mike’s City Diner. His food has been featured numerous times on Food Network programs such as Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives.

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About 50 residents came out last week for the Community Preservation Act meeting at the Roslindale Substation.

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# Potential of CPA funds for Parkway discussed at meeting

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

Community Preservation Director Christine Poff came out to the Roslindale Substation last week to discuss the potential for the neighborhood regarding the Community Preservation Act (CPA).

The CPA, voted in by Boston residents in a 2016 ballot, is scheduled to take funds from a 1 percent surcharge on property taxes in the city combined with 25 percent matching funds from the state for an average annual fund of \$20 million. The funds are designated to go to affordable housing, parks and

open space and historic preservation. The meeting was held to discuss what could happen in Roslindale and what residents wanted to see with the CPA. The meeting was also held at the Roslindale Substation, which is currently hous-

### CPA Funds

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evaluate the feasibility of enacting these recommendations and then have a conversation with the airlines about it.”

Wright said the Boston Fair Skies organization and residents’ complaints of noise started with the FAA’s implementation of the RNAV system, which uses GPS technology to concentrate flight paths over a single trajectory, greatly increasing airplane noise in those specific areas.

“The problem of noise is

being fought all over the country ever since the FAA enacted the new RNAV flight procedures, and there’s been a huge increase in complaints.” he said.

Wright said the next phase of the MIT study should be done sometime later this year. He said that while Block 1 was focused on improvements that would benefit everyone in the flight paths in terms of noise reduction, Block 2 would focus on ways that may increase noise for some while

decreasing noise for others.

“They require more study,” he said. “Those improvements have been outlined but they have to do more technical work.”

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## Editorial

# A KNOCK OUT FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

We have been beating the drum for the city to take its infrastructure woes more seriously.

We are fully aware that such work is expensive, resource draining and will, by necessity, cause temporary pain and aggravation.

No one likes to hit a detour and be routed along a maze of side streets when they are trying to get home after a long day of work.

There is also blind arrogance on the part of the city.

What is one of the most important things the city can do these days? Our answer would be to support the fabric of small business. They, more so than bending over backwards to please the corporate masters at GE and Amazon, are important drivers of the local economy.

And yet we come across the sad story of KO Catering & Pies in South Boston, a business we drive by nearly every day in our travels. The small restaurant is part of a growing chain (another Boston location is in East Boston). We would love to give their pies a taste; the reason we never do is the important point of this editorial.

For roughly the past year-and-a-half, the A Street store has been under siege. While double parking (and often triple parking) is a scourge for other parts of the neighborhood, the culprit here is the City of Boston and a work site that has blocked the restaurant's entrance, taken away parking and, for good measure, ripped up the sidewalk. On some recent days, KO Pies was forced to remain closed because even employees couldn't make it to the front door.

Said a KO Pies manager to WCVB TV, "Normally, you get a heads up when something is going to happen, and we had no warning like that. We just turned up to work this morning and they were there."

On one very bad day in particular, as reported by the television station and restaurant, "the front and rear doors were blocked, deliveries were forfeited, employees sent home and for two hours the business was forced to close."

The culprit, at least partially, is project work by Verizon. After KO took to Twitter with its discontent, a deal was apparently brokered to limit work to weekends.

Construction on new residential housing on the other side of the store is also to blame and no such deal has been reached.

It must be noted, that even when the restaurants complaints and queries were forwarded to City Hall, they claim there was no response or reciprocal outreach. Seriously, it shouldn't take Twitter shaming to reach a resolution with either public officials or the construction they permit.

We can only imagine the unmitigated joy that must infect city officials with the knowledge that yet another tiny parcel of land can be over-developed with unaffordable housing in an otherwise blue collar-neighborhood. This is way out of hand. The city's zeal to over-build everywhere is already a problem. We don't need a cavalier attitude when it comes to the harmful effects of those decisions on local business owners.

Who at the city monitors construction of this sort? Is there anything so complex that it truly necessitates almost two years of constant construction? City Hall needs to be better at coordinating these projects, demanding mitigation, and setting a timeline.

Boston has done many wonderful things for local businesses, not the least of which is the Main Streets initiative. All that good will, however, is rendered useless if a blind eye and deaf ear is the response to business-crushing arrogance.

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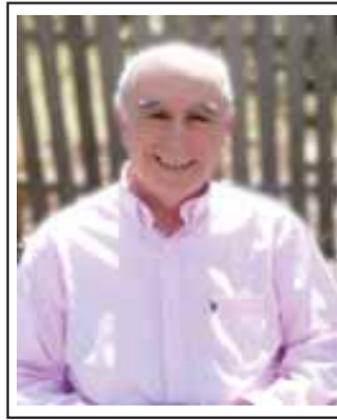
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Joe Galeota

Several months before V-E Day and V-J Day was the last time that Valentine's Day fell on Ash Wednesday (for most Christian churches). In other words, we're talking that 73 years ago was the last time that Feb. 14 fell on the first day of Lent.

This has happened only once in my long lifetime. This is a much larger expanse of time than when, say Feb. 29 (leap year day), fell on a Wednesday, which was the year that George Orwell made famous, 1984.

Let's look at the truth and the myth of these days: Valentine's Day, or more properly St. Valentine's Day, is a named after one of three Saint Valentine's, all of whom were martyred almost 18 centuries ago for their belief in Jesus. The Valentine to whom most belief is given as the source of our cultural Feb. 14 celebration is Valentine of Rome, who was imprisoned for performing nuptials for soldiers who were forbidden to marry and for ministering to Christians, which was forbidden by the Roman Empire. According to legend, during his imprisonment Valentine

healed the daughter of a jailer and before his execution, he wrote her a letter signed - can you guess it? - "Your Valentine."

Ash Wednesday is steeped in no such legend. Coming 40 days before Easter, which day is calculated by the moon's movement in Gregorian calendars for most Christian churches (the Christian Orthodox people follow the Julian calendar), Ash Wednesday is a day of repentance and fast. Except for the elderly, young children, and the sick,

various laws address fasting from snacks in between meals as well as the sum of any two meals should not equal the third, with the thought that portions are sufficient to sustain strength but not sufficient to satisfy hunger.

Similar to Good Friday in fasting, Ash Wednesday also imposes refraining from meat-based meals for those of certain age groups, because meat was once considered a luxury, today's equivalent of lobster.

Now in 2018 these two days, St. Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday, converge. What is an admirer to do when asking his love out for a steak dinner or to give her a box of Russell Stover's best, which of course should be sampled right away? Maybe we all should emulate how New Orleans celebrates the lead-in to Ash Wednesday every year: Mardi Gras. But will the Crescent City celebrate Valentine's Day a day earlier? Food for thought.

And for those of you into tricking youngsters with fake spiders inside plastic Easter eggs, April Fools' Day falls on Easter Sunday this year - also a rare occurrence. The last was 1956 and the next will be 2029.

## Letters to the Editor

### WE HAD A CONVERSATION USING OUR EYES

To the Editor,

I read the news story about a meet-up that recently took place in Hyde Park and it was supposedly the first "Racism in Boston" meeting in the Hyde Park community. I agree that folks coming together and having conversations about living together sharing our commonality is needed and a reminder to all that we are all members of the same human family.

I recently attended the Martin Luther King, Jr. breakfast in the City of Quincy on Jan. 15. It was held inside Quincy High School where a very diverse crowd assembled to remember the legacy of Dr. King's in fighting for social justice and racial equality. I saw a quote that made so much sense in its simplicity, "I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

Breakfast speaker was State Sen. John Keenan, D-Quincy who used King's words to show the simplicity of it all, "People fail to get along because they fear each other; they fear each other because they don't know each other; they don't know each

other because they have not communicated with each other."

As a baby boomer I witnessed the history of the civil rights struggles and I observed that separation from one another does create fears of those different from us. If folks don't know each other and live in different communities it makes folks afraid and often fear can turn to racial hostility or even indifference.

Growing up in Lower Roxbury, folks regardless of race or ethnicities survived together in both good times and bad. Often we went to the same schools, attended the same churches, shopped in the same markets and played on the same playgrounds and fields. Not all Boston neighborhoods were as diverse as mine. We simply got along with each other despite our differences because of our community commonality.

I can still vividly remember the date April 23, 1965. I was 16 years old and living in the Orchard Park projects along Harrison Avenue. This was the day that Dr. King led a march in Boston that ended at the Parkman Bandstand on Boston Common before some 20 thousand gathered to hear him speak.

As he passed below me on Harrison Avenue, I looked down from the open kitchen window and called to Dr. King. He looked up to my window, waved and smiled, I did the same thing back to him. It was only a brief moment but it showed how simply it can be to just acknowledge one another. We had a conversation using our eyes.

I believe Boston as a whole is a much better place today than it was when I was 16 years old. We have traveled far but the journey of understanding never ends. I am also better today than I was back then. That is what we must all strive towards.

I feel very lucky to have met him in person. To me he isn't just a piece of history. He was a living and breathing human being trying to make life better for all. He paid the ultimate sacrifice for challenging the status quo and his life was too brief. However, as he often said, it isn't how long you live but how well you live.

Sen. Keenan's comments were so profound and yet so simply. As Dr. King himself once said, "The time is always right to do what is right."

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detectors also," said BFD Spokesperson Steve MacDonald. "We determined it was the heating system. They had a faulty stove to begin with so the stove was generating some carbon monoxide and the way the heating system was venting had an issue too."

MacDonald said the incident highlights the need for residents – whether they are renters or homeowners – to be vigilant when it comes to fire and carbon monoxide detectors. He said it's extremely dangerous to take those detectors out, and it's not all that uncommon.

According to Boston's Inspectional Services Department (ISD) and state law, car-

bon monoxide and smoke detectors must be installed in every housing unit using fossil fuel-powered heat. According to the Massachusetts State Sanitary code, they must be installed within 10 feet from each sleeping area and also all common areas of the unit. But all these rules are only enforced at the sale or construction of a building, and then it's up to the property owner to maintain said protections.

"A person's home can only be inspected when it's being sold or first occupied, but once people are in their homes we don't do any inspections until such time they sell it and, under state law, they have to have an inspection," said

MacDonald. "They have to have working smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, and generally the fire department issue certificates to make sure they're in compliance... It's literally up to each individual owner to make sure they have the detectors in there."

MacDonald did say that in the case of the 741 Hyde Park Ave. situation, the department worked with the Red Cross to install new smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure the four families there could return to their homes and not be out in the cold for the night.

"We had four of the units occupied that night and we have a Red Cross program where they do installations of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, so because of the extreme cold they would've had to help four families for a place to stay it was easier for them to install them themselves," he said. "So that's how it went when we were there, they weren't in compliance and in order to get them to stay there because they became in compliance."

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# MHMC talks CPA, MBTA and Love Your Block

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Mount Hope Mount Canterbury Neighborhood Association met recently and talked about several distinct issues in the East Roslindale/American Legion neighborhoods.

Firstly, the organization talked about the Community Preservation Act (CPA) and the Community Preservation Committee (CPC). The CPC will decide what to do with the \$20 million coming to the city annual through the CPA, which is a fund that all towns contribute to through a 1 percent surcharge on property taxes. The funds for the CPA are strictly designated for affordable housing, parks and recreation and historical preservation.

MHMC member Lisa Beatmen said continuing to advocate for the American Legion Highway (Parkway) should be the neighborhood's primary goal for seeking CPA funds.

"The more of us from the Eastern Roslindale area, and I'm including our pocket neighborhood neighbors, show up the better because our area has historically not gotten that attention," she said. "So we need to make sure that plenty of CPC members hear about our area and what we need in terms of those three categories."

MHMC resident Stephen Godfrey said he'd been advocating for the CPA when it was introduced as a ballot question, and also advocated for as many residents as possible to push for local projects. He said right now the CPC is bogged down in creating its own policies and procedures, but getting ideas in early is never a bad thing.

"The question that the CPC has to answer is procedural stuff, there's not process in place," he said. "How do residents gain access to this money, that's really the question, a lot of people think it is driven by institutions and nonprofits and others, but you as an individual citizen can apply for these particular dollars. That's important that this is emphasized. That was part of the whole reason we asked taxpayers to contribute to this, so it wasn't to make a new bureaucracy."

MHMC Member Rick Yoder said local residents should look into garnering funds from the CPC for a pocket park in the neighborhood. He said the end of Brook Street, running off of Mount Hope Street and parallel to American Legion Highway would be a good place to start.

"It's off the beaten path; it's behind the US army base and it's wooded and overgrown, but it would be a nice pocket park, a real park, not like that little corner thing on Hyde Park Ave," he said.

Beatman also brought up an upcoming meeting with the

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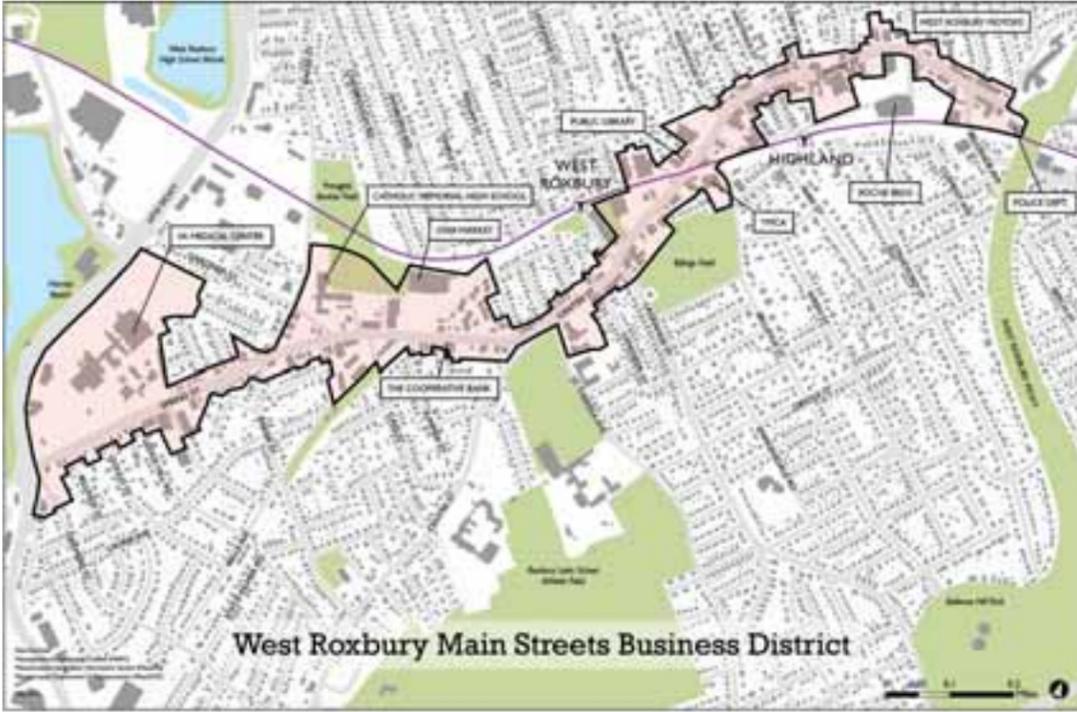
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The West Roxbury Main Streets is looking to host another meeting with the Boston Transportation Department on traffic and pedestrian issues in the district.

# WRMS ready for 2018

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**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Main Streets (WRMS) is hitting the ground for 2018, and is looking to help Centre and Spring streets become friendlier to businesses and residents.

The group announced the completion of its Walk Audit in August 2017, citing several areas where the city could improve on pedestrian access, bike access and traffic safety. The audit asked residents where they walk most on Centre and Spring Streets. About 78 percent of respondents said

they walk to the cafes and restaurants the most. WRMS Executive Director Danielle Joseph said that the biggest deterrent to pedestrians in those areas is the traffic.

Centre and Spring has not seen any traffic fatalities in recent years, but there have been many traffic accidents and close calls. Joseph said their main issue is slowing down the traffic, which she said could be done with more speed limit signs.

“Speed has been addressed in the district as the speed limit in all the district is 25 mph, which is what we wanted and

that’s good to see,” she said. “Having those speed limit signs posted is great, but people still tend to go a little fast, so we’re hoping to make sure people are more aware of the speed limit change as well as have more enforcement for the parking and speed limit.”

Joseph added that bigger vehicles on side streets are also a problem they’re looking to address.

“Trucks on Lagrange and Centre are not obeying that speed limit, and with trucks we

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DEDHAM	270	27	\$70,000	\$3,300,000	\$561,329
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# Local Girl Up members making a difference at state conference

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

More than a dozen members of the Greater Boston Girl Up chapter went to the Massachusetts Conference for Women at the start of the year to hear from several inspirational speakers and get their goals in order.

Roslindale resident and chapter president Kiera Fair said the experience was motivating for her and many other members of the group.

“It was really great; it was an amazing opportunity. There were speakers like Meryl Streep and Gloria Steinem, it was so important for our young activists to be able to see that,” Fair said. “One thing that was especially interesting was Meryl Streep talking about her new initiative, 50/50 By 2020. They’re trying to get 50/50 representation gender-wise in the workforce and in Hollywood especially... It’s really cool to see women who are powerful taking a stance on change this year.”

Fair said that while Hollywood is based more around image and doesn’t necessarily reflect what goes on in the real world all the time, it’s important for young girls to see celebrities and people they see in media be representative of them, demonstrating to them that they can reach nearly any goal they set their mind to.

“We consume so much media that if people are watching the same three white male actors all the time people think they’re not good enough,” she said. “It sets these stereotypes that only men can be businessmen, it definitely influences young people the most about what they think they can do and what they can think is possible.”

Fair said the conference highlighted the need for everyone to work together to bring equality to the United States, and said all 12,000 attendees had a lot of information to bring back home.

“All of these girls are local activists who are working to change their communities, and this inspirational event helps us to bring even more enthusiasm to the

growing Women’s Movement,” she said. “Teenage girls from all over Massachusetts were able to attend this life-changing conference on scholarship tickets. It was truly amazing.”

The Greater Boston Chapter of Girl Up was created about two years ago by Fair and her friends at the Boston Collegiate Charter School in Dorchester. Since the group’s founding, they have been able to raise more than \$10,000 for programming and outreach, and earlier this year the group was awarded the Girl Up Chapter of the Year. The national Girls Up program was started six years ago as part of the United Nations Foundation and now includes 1,400 clubs in 80 counties engaging nearly 500,000 people.

South Boston native Amanda Baldner said the experience of the Massachusetts Conference was a fun time, but it also showed what can be accomplished when groups like Girl Up can get people together.

“Not only was it amazing to hear from such powerful and influential women, it was also great to be surrounded by like-minded people who aim to make our society a better place for all women,” she said.

Fair said they are planning to host their own mini-conference for residents of the Greater Boston area to help increase awareness of issues and raise their membership.

“For this year we’re planning our own event in April,” she said. “It’s basically going to be a mini-conference, smaller than the Massachusetts Women’s Conference. It will be a daylong event; we’re really excited for that.”

According to Girl Up, 77 percent of girls who get involved in the Girl Up program experience a boost in self confidence and 92 percent of Girl Up participants increase their social and civic participation.

The organization states it is a “by girls, for girls” movement, and that it has raised \$8.5 million in the last six years. For more information, go to GirlUp.org.



Members of the Girl Up Boston Coalition at the Massachusetts Conference for Women. Back row, left to right: Amanda Baldner, member of BCCS Girl Up and South Boston native; Alexandria Celia, President of Girl Up Somerset-Berkley and member of the Girl Up Boston Coalition Executive Board; and Kiera Fair, President of the Girl Up Boston Coalition and BCCS Girl Up. Bottom row, left to right: Jessica Goober, President of Burlington Girl Up; Ashley Eng, President of Brookline High School Girl Up; and Satchel Tsai, member of Brookline High School Girl Up and member of the Girl Up Boston Coalition Executive Board.

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## BFD, BPD participate in Battle of the Badges



The Boston Bruins partnered with the Boston Fire Hockey Club and Boston Police Hockey Club to host a six-city, 12-team hockey tournament in Dorchester, Southie and Brighton over the weekend. The tournament featured hockey teams comprised of fire and police personnel from Boston, New York City, Chicago, Detroit, Montreal and Toronto. Dubbed the “Battle of the Badges,” it kicked off on Saturday and continued throughout the weekend, both at Devine Rink in Dorchester and at Murphy Rink on Day Boulevard in Southie, with a championship game being played at Warrior Ice Arena in Brighton on Sunday. The event brought first responders from US and Canada together to play what will end up being some spirited hockey games. Sure, they’re supposed to be “fun,” but there usually end up being scraps at these games. Both Boston Fire Commissioner Joseph Finn and Boston Police Commissioner Bill Evans said they were happy to see such cooperation between all the departments and cities.

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# Boston kicks off Black History Month



Last week, Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the City of Boston's Black History Month Committee, and the entire City of Boston kicked off a month-long celebration in honor of Black History Month at the Boston City Hall. Special events around Boston will celebrate the contributions and accomplishments of the Black community, and will acknowledge the trailblazers, activists and leaders who have fought so hard for diversity, inclusion and equality.

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worry that pedestrians and neighborhood facilities could be damaged," she said. "We want to make sure people are going closer to the speed limit and obeying the crosswalks and stop signs."

Joseph said they are also looking to make sure that crosswalk signs in the middle of the streets are not damaged or run over, like they have been for years.

"They get continuously damaged," she said.

Joseph said the Walk Audit is also looking at cycling safety. She said cycling can be dangerous on Centre Street, and that it is one of the group's priorities.

"We're looking to install bike signage to make people aware of bikers on Centre Street, but also we wanted to discuss both sidewalks being more user-friendly. It currently is not a bike-friendly district," she said. "That is a goal for Boston 2030 to make all Main Street Districts bike-friendly."

Joseph said they are discussing dates with the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) to host a community meeting in the future for these endeavors. The impetus behind this meeting is the fact that traffic will likely get worse in the district, as new developments at 400 Belgrade Ave., 1721 Centre St., 425 LaGrange

St. and 100 Weld St. are either already under construction or approved for construction.

In other business, Joseph said they are also getting ready for the Taste of West Roxbury, which is slated for May at the Irish Social Club on Park Street.

"We like being able to stay within the district for the Taste; that really helps us and our neighborhood businesses. People recognize how close they are to the restaurants from the Social Club," she said. "We will have 25 restaurants and ensure that we get a good representation of the neighborhood. Then we'll be focusing on some music and different things like that."

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group WalkUP Roslindale with At-Large City Councilor and Council President Andrea Campbell, District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy, and District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 24, at the Roslindale Community Center, at 6 Cummins Highway. The meeting will focus on transportation issues. Beatman again stated that advocating for the East Roslindale neighborhood is needed.

Office of Neighborhood Services Roslindale Representative Daniel Murphy brought up the recent gas main fire on Hyde Park Ave. the previous week. He said though the fire went on for two days, the alternative was a bit worse.

"I don't really know the cause, but I just want to apologize for any inconveniences you experienced during commuting – the Boston Fire Department, National Grid and the Boston Police Department did a really good job to mini-

mize the impact," he said, adding that shutting off the line to end the fire didn't seem feasible or safe for many residents. "If they turned off the gas there, it would have impacted 8,200 residents."

State Rep. Russell Holmes said the light at the Dunkin Donuts on American Legion Highway has gone into full operation with a full light cycle for each of the three rights of way. He said the new crosswalk lights are also in full operation.

"The MBTA were waiting for that light to become operational so we could move the bus stop," he said.



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**PETERS PARK  
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The meeting will take place on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Project Place 1145 Washington St., South End

**PARKS DEPARTMENT  
HOSTS FREE DOUBLE  
DUTCH CLINICS**

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a series of free Inner City Double Dutch Clinics for youngsters ages nine to 18 at the BCYF Madison Park Community Center in Roxbury.

These free clinics provide instruction in the fundamentals of jumping rope and rope turning. The sessions will be held from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 24, March 10 and 24, and April 7 and 14.

The clinics and tournament will be held in the gym at Building 4, BCYF Madison Park Community Center, 55 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury. Teams will compete in the Mayor's Cup Double Dutch Tournament on Saturday, April 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Doors open at 9 a.m.

No pre-registration is required for the clinics and all children ages nine to 18 are welcome. Community centers and youth groups are encouraged to bring their youngsters to the clinics and are invited to schedule dates and times for regular participation in the program. For more information please call Larelle Bryson at (617) 961-3092 or email [larelle.bryson@boston.gov](mailto:larelle.bryson@boston.gov).

# Around the Neighborhood

**CHILDREN'S WINTER  
FEST RETURNS TO  
BOSTON COMMON  
FEB. 21**

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will be bringing the annual Children's Winter Festival to Boston Common in partnership with the Highland Street Foundation during school vacation week on Wednesday, Feb. 21, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"The Children's Winter Festival on Boston Common is a well-loved tradition in Boston, and we are pleased to bring it back again in 2018," said Mayor Walsh. "We invite all children and families to come on down to the festival for a day filled with fun activities."

Among the attractions will be the 45-foot-long Toboggan Tunnel mountain adventure with twin roller lanes, the 30-foot-high inflatable Everest Climb N Slide, and the Snow Mazing maze. In addition, the Highland Street Foundation is sponsoring a week-long Winter Camp at the Boston Common Frog Pond with free skating and rentals for all ages from Monday, Feb. 19, through Friday, Feb. 23. For more information on the Winter Camp skating, please visit [www.highlandstreet.org](http://www.highlandstreet.org).

For more information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505, visit [www.cityofboston.gov/parks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/parks) or go to [www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment](http://www.facebook.com/bostonparksdepartment).

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Christopher Columbus Park Trellis Becomes a Tunnel of Love on Feb. 10, 2018. The trellis will be decorated for the entire month of February with cupids and lighted hearts, and on Saturday, Feb. 10, each end of the trellis will become a

heart-shaped entrance, with five-foot-tall, handmade "conversation hearts" lining the walkway. Visitors who venture into the Tunnel of Love should expect a few surprises as well.

The event is free and open to the public. Valentine's Day visitors are invited to tag @foccp in their Columbus Park Valentine's Day photos. #lovefoccp. FOCCP's Art Curator, Robyn Reed, created the Valentine's Day-inspired trellis design. "Columbus Park is gorgeous year-round, but by February, we all need some extra beauty to get us through the end of winter," Reed said. "I look forward to seeing many happy couples walking hand-in-hand under the hearts."

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**RESERVATION ROAD  
PARK COMMUNITY  
MEETING**

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department invites the public to the second in a series of meetings to discuss upcoming improvements to Reservation Road Park located at 151 Reservation Rd. in Hyde Park. We look forward to hearing your thoughts on the renovation of this park including the skate park, artificial turf field, natural areas, and parking lot. For further information or to request meeting translation services, please call (617) 961-3019.

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**WEST ROXBURY  
ROSLINDALE****THE WEST ROXBURY  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
COUNCIL MEETING**

The West Roxbury Neighborhood Council will meet on Tuesday evening Feb. 27. The agenda will include:

Paul Marino is looking to transfer a beer and wine license to Marino's Market on VFW Parkway. He would be transfer-

ring it from a store in the North End.

Ben Silverman from Boston's Environment Department - The City is working hard to help cut greenhouse gas emissions from Boston buildings and ensure residents are informed about available programs. One such effort involves shifting to more non-fossil fuel based heating systems in homes such as air source heat pumps. The presentation will include the environmental and indoor air quality benefits to these systems, as well as available incentive program provided by the State.

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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# City Council thinks composting idea has legs this time

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met last week and called for a hearing to discuss the possibility of curbside compost pickup throughout the city.

The idea is not new, but co-sponsor and District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley said he believes this time they can get it through. O'Malley said the city has been able to pass major ordinances and legislation around environmental issues that would not only help the environment, but also help lower costs for residents.

"We did a pretty aggressive gas leaks bill that's going to save the \$90 million that ratepayers in Boston are currently paying every year for escaped gas," he said. "When we did Community Choice Energy we talked about ways we can increase our renewable portfolio while saving ratepayers money, the plastic bag ordinance is going to help indirectly save money from the tons of bags that are going into our single stream recycling every year, so the next logical step, which other cities have done to great success, is to have curbside composting in the City of Boston. I think this is our fourth or fifth time introducing this, and I am ever the optimist that the fourth or fifth time will be the charm."

O'Malley said that in this particular instance, the city is paying millions to transport compostable food and food waste to the city dump to rot. He said many companies would be willing to use that compost and the city could

use it too.

"The city has done some good work in terms of Project Oscar, but there's a lot more that we can do," he said. "In the United States, more than one third, about 36 or 37 percent of our food isn't consumed, it's thrown away and it's often in our waste stream. In the United States, about a quarter of our waste stream is food and yard waste and that is something that ends up in the landfill. That is something we are paying millions and millions of dollars for just in Boston every month. We can remove it where it can be used in compost and done well – it's removing it from our waste stream and going to be reused, it relies less on pesticides and chemicals; it's all natural. We can use this in our parks, we can use this in our playgrounds, farmers can use this, this is something that can be done well and done to great success."

O'Malley said other cities have seen success on similar programs.

"San Francisco has seen a diversion of 60 to 70 percent of their food waste by offering curbside composting, and right down the river in Cambridge we saw a pilot program in one ward in the city that's been taken citywide. This is something that cities are doing," he said. "There is an utter lack of leadership in Washington, D.C. when it comes to combating climate change and putting forth effective environmental policy. It's really up to cities and towns to lead on this."

At-Large City Councilor and hearing sponsor Ayanna

Pressley said this project, along with the city's program Project Oscar, could help reduce the city's carbon footprint.

"I do believe that Boston is well-positioned to make this type of natural next step in our commitment to reduce waste and our carbon footprint," she said. "We're speaking about Project Oscar and over the summer we have also been seeing the City of Boston put composting bins on City Hall Plaza, so we are making incremental steps and we need to move with a greater sense of urgency because the very life of our planet is at stake here."

Pressley said she believes this ordinance could work because it was conceived by the community and not by politicians.

"What I love about this initiative is that it's another example of what happens when a community raises its voice," she said. "This idea came out of a State of JP meeting, so I do think the best sort of symbiotic partnership between government and community is those efforts that are community-led and government-endorsed. This is another such example of that."

District 3 City Councilor Frank Baker reminded everyone that not so long ago, residents in Boston did their own composting.

"I may not look like a Harvard man or sound like a Harvard man, but I was there last year for a hot minute and one of the people that I met actually ran New York City's compost program and I know that to get to zero-waste," he

said. "We have to get to composting, but I'm sort of a hands-on type of person, so I'm asking what does the barrel look like, what's the smell like and all those things and we can get to the point where people are comfortable with all those things. If everybody remembers in their backyards or their friends' backyards or wherever you were when you were a kid, the composting or rubbish bins that were set in the ground, we used to do this. We did this."

In other business, At-Large City Councilor Annissa Essaibi-George also called for a hearing to discuss the results of the city's annual Homeless Census.

"The Homeless Census is a point-in-time survey that helps the city collect data on families and individuals who are experiencing homelessness in the City of Boston," she said. "Over the last few years, I've joined hundreds of volunteers together and we have walked through main streets, alleyways and parks hoping to connect with individuals and families who are sleeping out-

side."

Essaibi-George said the first step to ending homelessness is to know what is needed and where.

"I believe that we can end homelessness in the City of Boston. We have made great strides when it comes to chronic individual and veterans' homelessness, but we certainly can't continue this work alone," she said. "We all know that homelessness has a solution, which is permanent supportive housing. We need to increase upstream prevention to keep people in their homes, and we need to increase economic opportunities, and to pave the way for more affordable housing."



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**DEATHS**

**HYNES**

Margaret (Kelley) Of West Roxbury, 90, passed away peacefully at home with family on Feb. 3, 2018. She was born in New Bedford in 1927, beloved wife and best friend of the late Paul F. Hynes, District Chief, Boston Fire Department. Daughter of the late James and Helena Kelley. Sister of Paul Kelley of Florida and the late James Kelley. Loving mother of Paul D. Hynes and his wife Karen of New Hampshire, Mark F. Hynes and his wife Ruth of Rhode Island and Christopher J. Hynes and his wife Susan of West Roxbury and the late Anne Cullinane. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Family honored Margaret's life by gathering at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, Wednesday, Feb. 7 from 10-11 a.m. with a funeral service at 11. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Donations may be made, in Margaret's memory, to Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave., 7th Floor, New York, NY 10001 or at [alzfdn.org](http://alzfdn.org). For directions and guestbook: [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com). William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

**LOVE**

Mary R. Sept. 1, 1924 - Jan. 21, 2018. Mary Rose Love, 93, of South Yarmouth passed away on Jan. 21, 2018. Born in Providence, R.I. and raised in the Boston area (Roslindale and West Roxbury), she was a graduate of The Girls' Latin School in Boston. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from Emmanuel College in 1946 and a Master of Social Work from Boston College in 1949. Mary was a social worker at Mass Eye & Ear for 10 years. She enjoyed a 30-year career working for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts beginning as a social worker at Worcester State Hospital and ending as the Director of Health and Human Services for the Cape and Islands. She retired at age 62 in 1986. Mary was a devoted Catholic. She was a Sister of St. Francis of Peace Fraternity, a parishioner at St. Pius X, a Rector, a Eucharistic Minister and a member of the Bereavement Committee. She received the Marion award in 2014 for her service and dedication. Mary is survived by her sisters, Dorothy McCarthy and Patricia Sullivan, her brother-in-law Raymond Sullivan and her sister-in-law Marguerite Love. She was predeceased by her brother Ernest Love, Jr. and her brother-in-law Walter McCarthy. She also leaves a cousin Donna Boyle and her husband Eugene. Mary also has 20 loving nieces and nephews. The McCarthy Family: Patricia, Dorothy, Julianne, Richard, Maryrose, Michael, Katherine, The Love Family: Mamie, Anne, Bud, Theresa, Elaine, Nora, Joseph and The Sullivan Family: Julia, Raymond, Mary, Patrick, Elizabeth, John. Many of them have spouses, children and grandchildren. Visitation was held at Morris, O'Connor & Blute Funeral Home, 58 Long Pond Dr., South Yarmouth. Funeral Mass was at St. Pius X Church, Station Avenue, South Yarmouth. The burial took

place at Holyhood Cemetery, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467. In lieu of flowers gifts in her memory may be made to the St. Francis of Peace Fraternity, 55 Michelle's Path, West Yarmouth, MA 02673.

**MARANDO**

Albert F. WWII Army Vet. Of Roslindale, Dorchester and Roxbury, Jan. 31, 2018. Beloved husband of the late Jennie T (Giunta) and devoted father of Linda J. Spadorcia and her husband Louis of Holbrook, Steven A. Marando and his wife Ann of Pembroke, and Robert Marando of Holbrook. Brother of Carmella Moshiek of Florida, Angie Esposito of West Roxbury, Anthony Marando of Carver, John Marando of Braintree, and the late Joseph Marando. Loving grandfather to his seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Dear companion of Angelina DeNapoli. Funeral was from the Joseph Russo Funeral Home, 814 American Legion Hwy. (nr Cummins Hwy), ROSLINDALE. A Funeral Mass was in Sacred Heart Church, Roslindale. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Late employee City of Boston School Dept. and member of the Sgt. Guido Petrilli Sons of Italy and the Rose Croix Council K of C, both of Roslindale. WWII Veteran, Al may be remembered through the Seasons Hospice Inpatient Center, 597 Randolph Ave., Milton, MA 02186. Directions and Guest Book at [www.josephrussofuneralhome.com](http://www.josephrussofuneralhome.com) Visiting Hours: Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018, 4 - 8 p.m.

**MUNGER**

Robert W. Of Roslindale, Feb. 1, 2018. Beloved husband of Mary (Pagliarulo) Munger. Loving brother of LaVonne Carolyn Reindl. Brother-in-law of Connie Killeen, Judith DeMatteo, Robert Pagliarulo, Daniel Pagliarulo, Anthony Festa, Tammy Pagliarulo, and Joan Pagliarulo. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral was from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Funeral Mass was in Holy Name Church. Interment was at Forest Hills Cemetery, Boston. Robert was a U.S. Navy Veteran of WW II, Korean War and Vietnam. In lieu of flowers, donations, in Robert's memory, may be made to the Fisher House PO Box 230, South Walpole, MA 02071 or at [fisherhouseboston.org](http://fisherhouseboston.org). For directions and guestbook, please visit: [gormleyfuneral.com](http://gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

**MURLEY**

Joyce A. (McNeff) Of Norwood, formerly of Roslindale, Feb. 1, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Gerald Murley. Loving mother of Jill Silvestro of Whitman, Leslie Feeney of Norwood, Jerilyn Porter of Whitman, Jeffrey Murley of Norwood and Wendy Schmidt of Dedham. Cherished grandmother of 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Sister of Joan Boyle of Norwood, Jane LeVie of West Roxbury and Marilyn McCarthy of West Roxbury. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral

was from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. A Funeral Mass was in Sacred Heart Church. Interment was at New Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Alzheimer's Association PO Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090 or [alz.org](http://alz.org). For directions and guestbook [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

**MUSCULUS**



Joanne H. (Keiderling) of Roslindale passed away on Jan. 29, 2018. Beloved wife of the late SFC William J. (U.S. Army Reserve Ret.) Devoted mother of Joanne Portes Rodriguez of Everett, Michelle Patterson of Georgia, and William P. Musculus of West Wareham. Loving grandmother of Joseph, Amanda, Janelle, Julianne, and Jonathan and great grandmother of Elizabeth and Liam. Sister of Marga Reynolds of California, and the late Wilma Morrell. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Visiting hours was held in the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Funeral Service was in the funeral home. Interment was at Gardens Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Joanne's memory to American Parkinson Disease Association 72 E. Concord St. Boston, MA 02118. For directions and guestbook [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com).

**PICARELLO**

Helen A. (Carlen) Of Roslindale, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Jan. 29, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Thomas C. Picarello, Sr. Loving mother of Ellen D'Ambrosia and her husband Kenneth of Merrimac, Mass., Maryann Picarello of Chestnut Hill, Jane Olson and her husband Paul of West Roxbury, John Picarello of Roslindale and the late Thomas Picarello, Jr. Devoted grandmother of Jennifer, Eric, Katie, Brian, Bobby and the late Tommy. Great-grandmother of Zack. Sister of Anne Proodian and the late William McKendry. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral was from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. WEST ROXBURY. A Funeral Mass was in Holy Name Church. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery. Late USMC Veteran WWII. G u e s t b o o k

# CPA Funds *continued from page 3*

ing Trinity Brewing for the winter, but no alcohol was served during the meeting.

"I really thought we were going to have beer because the State of the Union was tonight," said District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy. "I was hoping to have a couple before it started (jokingly). Anyway, a lot of us worked very, very hard on passing the CPA. It's going to be an impressive thing for the City of Boston, particularly for District 5 I think, because we have a lot of open space and parks. When you look at the state's \$20 million for Boston, it is going to be a very impactful piece of change that we can use to make sure Roslindale, Hyde Park and Mattapan, for my constituency, can benefit."

Poff said the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is looking to start getting projects out the door now.

"I hope it will generate a lot of creativity in terms of funding recommendations," she said.

The CPC is made up of appointees from the City Council and the Mayor's Office that sift through the applications and make recommendations to Boston Mayor Marty Walsh as to which projects should be approved. Poff said the projects can only be one-time capital funding projects.

"That's been a challenge," she said. "We need programs in our parks, we need tours of our historic properties. I'd like to

say brick and mortar, but we can only fund capital, not maintenance, operating management or those kinds of things."

Poff said they're hoping to have a request for proposals (RFP) out by March 1 with the first projects gaining approval by the summer of 2018. She said she's seen probable projects on the horizon in the Roslindale neighborhood already. She said projects that are already planned and need a little extra funding to get off the ground are the most likely candidates at the moment, since the CPA has just been set up.

"The Poplar Street Playground initiative; is it close?" she asked. "The Arboretum path from Forest Hills to Rozzie Square; how close is it? Can that be a first year project? We think we can use the CPA money for design and planning, even though we can't use it for programming. We can hire a design architect who can at least get the plan in place."

Resident Rick Yoder said that using the funds to acquire open space could be a good way to work in Roslindale. He said Crane's Bluff, technically in Hyde Park on the Roslindale line, would be a perfect place to start. He said if they could acquire the land, the Boston Parks Department could maintain it.

"It's 24 acres of wooded open space in Hyde Park right next to Rozzie, right next to the Stop and Shop plaza on Ameri-

can Legion," he said. "It's mostly privately-owned, with some city parcels. It's a beautiful walk to the bluff. With that view, you would think you're in the middle of New Hampshire; it is so quiet and beautiful. There's been some effort with the city to work out a deal with the current owners, but I'd like to see that on the CPA."

Steve Gag, former Roslindale Village Main Streets Executive Director, said he has been working with WalkUP Roslindale on the Arboretum Gateway Path and they will be sharing their 25 percent design with the neighborhood in the coming weeks.

"We will need money for the rest of the design, that will be something we will want to work with Christine on to see if that is allowed," he said.

Poff pointed out that the Archdale Housing Project has not had a major renovation in the years since it has been built, and the funds could go there as well.

Poff also said that the funding from the state could go up soon as well. She said the matching funds from the state are generated through a fee whenever a property is transferred or purchased. She said it's a \$20 fee right now.

"There's a bill in the state legislature that would increase it to \$50, which is not a huge hit for someone buying a piece of property who is already paying a ton of fees in closing costs, but it would increase the state match considerably. We're trying to get it to 35 percent," she said.

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**PAPADOPOULOS**

Eleni (Mother Theodora, of St. Mark of Ephesus Orthodox Cathedral, Roslindale) of Roslindale passed away on Feb. 1, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Monk Ephrem Christos Papadopoulos. Devoted mother of Simela Saridis, Fr. Savas Papadopoulos and his wife Maria, and Despina Papadopoulos all of Roslindale. Loving grandmother of Alexandra Akoumanakis, Eleni and Christos Saridis, Kyriaki and Eleni Liotiris, and Irene and Christina Papadopoulos and great-grandmother of Angelina Liotiris, and Penelope Akoumanakis. Sister of Athanasia Fitopoulos, Georgia Kapanidis, and Nick Michaledis. A Funeral Service was held at the Holy Transfiguration Monastery, 278 Warren St., Brookline on Saturday, Feb. 3. Interment followed at the Gardens of Gethsemane Cemetery, West Roxbury. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

**WATSON**

Donald E. Jr. Jan. 27 of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain. Son of the late Donald E. Sr.

and Constance (Kelley) Watson. Husband of Gloria Maria (Austrich) Watson. Loving father to Ryan & his wife Annie Watson of Illinois and Meredith Watson of Tennessee. Brother of Robert & his wife Laurie, Kevin & his wife Monica and Steven & his wife Sue Watson and Maureen & her husband Paul Keeley. Grandfather of Cole & Liam Watson. Stepfather of Robert & Stefan Provost. Brother-in-law of Juan & Ricardo. Also survived by his in-laws Ricardo & Casilda Austrich. Late retired Assistant Principal at the Mary E. Curley School in Jamaica Plain, and late teacher at Weymouth High School. Also a

late member of the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House and Jamaica Plain Softball League. Visiting Hours was held at Mann & Rodgers Funeral Home, 44 Perkins St (corner of So. Huntington Ave) JAMAICA PLAIN. Funeral Services was held at Hope-Central Congregational Church, 85 Seaverns Ave (corner of Elm St) Jamaica Plain. Interment was private. Guestbook@mannandrodgers.com

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Public Library will host the second community advisory committee meeting to discuss the design for the estimated \$6.4 million renovation of the Roslindale Branch on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. at the branch's location at 4246 Washington St. The architectural firm of Leers Weinzapfel Associates (LWA) will update the community on the design progress to date, and how the new design will better serve the Roslindale community and patrons of the library. All are welcome.

More information on the Roslindale Branch renovation, in-

cluding the presentation from the first design meeting held this past fall, and additional capital projects can be viewed via [www.bpl.org/branchcapitalprojects](http://www.bpl.org/branchcapitalprojects).

### HEALTHY LIVING SPEAKER SERIES

Dr. Jay Zampini will be discussing how the spine works when it is working well, aging normally, and malfunctioning. Dr. Jay Zampini is a spine specialist and surgeon at Brigham and Woman's Hospital and the Brigham and Woman's Faulkner Hospital. As a spine specialist,

Dr. Zampini treats nearly all conditions that cause back and neck pain as well as those conditions that cause compression of the nerves in the spine, such as sciatica, spinal stenosis, and arm pain.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5:30 p.m. Light Dinner will be served. This is a free event.

Located at Deutsches Altenheim – German Center, 2222 Centre St., West Roxbury. For more information: 617-325-1230

### FOCUS ON BROOK FARM PHOTOGRAPHY AND ARTISTS' EXHIBIT: DEADLINE EXTENDED

Brook Farm in West Roxbury, the most influential utopian community of 19th century America, has long inspired writers, artists, and intellectuals. New Brook Farm invites the community to continue the tradition this winter by submitting photos, artistic representations, prose, poetry, and musical works inspired by this historic place to the third annual FOCUS ON BROOK FARM event.

Due to this winter's severe weather, the deadline for submissions is extended to Monday, Feb. 12.

New Brook Farm's selection team will choose works that represent the many faces of the site for public exhibition and performance. Photos of the site and of works inspired by the site will be exhibited at Brookline Bank, West Roxbury, from Feb. 25 through March 24. All works will be displayed and participants will be honored at a reception this spring, date to be announced. In addition, New Brook Farm will post all works and images of works submitted on the website.

All works must have a connection to the Brook Farm site and its history. Brook Farm Historic Site is located at 670 Baker St., West Roxbury. Visit the New Brook Farm website, [newbrookfarm.org/focus-on-brook-farm-iii-deadline-extended](http://newbrookfarm.org/focus-on-brook-farm-iii-deadline-extended), for guidelines and instructions for submitting your works. You may also email [info@newbrookfarm.org](mailto:info@newbrookfarm.org) or call 617-694-6407.

New Brook Farm, Inc. is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization. Its mission is to share information and raise awareness of the historical, social, archaeological, and environmental significance of the Brook Farm site, to promote the arts and host community events while connecting visitors to the beauty and history of Brook Farm, and to create a sustainable demonstration farm on a small portion of the site. Brook Farm Historic site is owned by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation.

### ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER ASSISTANCE

One-On-One Computer Assistance are on Wednesdays from 3-4 p.m. Please call 617-325-3147 to reserve a 30-minute informal session with a librarian. Bring your device or use a library laptop (library card required). Beginners are welcome. This is a free service.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF HORRY IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASE NO: 2017-DR-26-1346

**NOTICE OF FILING OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT**  
 Nevia J. Brown, Plaintiff, vs. Coston K. Brown, Defendant

**NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN** that the original Summons and Complaint in the above-entitled action was filed in the office of the Clerk of Court of Horry County on May 24, 2017. The Plaintiff is seeking a divorce on the grounds of a one year separation.

Myrtle Beach, S.C. Cecil W. Clarkson, III  
 January 19, 2018 Dusenbury & Clarkson, P.A.  
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**SUMMONS**  
 Nevia J. Brown, Plaintiff, VS. Coston K. Brown, Defendant.

**TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE NAMED:**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** and required to Answer the Complaint in the above entitled action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you and to serve a copy of your answer to the Complaint on the Subscriber at his office at 602 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577, within thirty (30) days after service hereof; exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to Answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, judgment by default will be requested against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
 SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU18C0014CA

**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:** Casely Kenn Vass  
 Of: Mattapan, MA.

To all person interested in petition described:  
 A petition has been presented by Casely K. Vass requesting that:  
 Casely Kenn Vass be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:  
 Casely Kenn Bailey  
**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: 02/22/2018**  
**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
 Date: January 30, 2018  
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*Boston Bulletin*, 02/08/2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No.SU18P0101EA

**Estate of:** Helen M. Kingsley Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
 24 New Chardon St.  
 Boston, MA 02114  
 617-788-8300

**Date of Death:** 03/23/2017

To all interested persons:  
 A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Paul L. Shea of Brookline, 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:  
**Paul L. Shea of Brookline, MA**  
 be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on the return day of 03/13/2018. 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: January 30, 2018  
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No.SU18P0100EA

**Estate of:** Herbert George Schank Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
 24 New Chardon St.  
 Boston, MA 02114  
 617-788-8300

**Date of Death:** 03/06/2017

To all interested persons:  
 A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Paul L. Shea of Brookline, 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:  
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# Free Tax Preparation for Residents Boston

Mayor Martin J. Walsh joined the Boston Tax Help Coalition and other community partners at Dorchester's Codman Square Health Center to highlight the free tax preparation services available to low- and moderate-income Boston residents. The Coalition provides free tax preparation services at 35 partner locations throughout the City to help residents who earn \$54,000 or less per year maximize the Earned Income Tax Credit and claim the full refunds they are due.

"The free tax services offered throughout the City of Boston will help our residents gain financial security, an important step towards providing more opportunities to succeed," said Mayor Walsh. "I thank our dedicated volunteers who make these efforts

possible, and encourage the thousands of residents who are eligible for these services to take advantage of them."

Last year, the Coalition served more than 13,000 taxpayers and returned \$26.8 million dollars in refunds and credits directly to taxpayers. More than 400 volunteers contributed to the effort. 2018 marks the 17th year that the Boston Tax Help Coalition has provided free tax preparation for Boston residents.

"My parents, like most immigrants to the United States, just wanted to work hard to provide a better life for their children," said Sulisa, 21, a Dorchester resident who is now a volunteer interpreter for the Coalition. "The Boston Tax Help Coalition gave me and my family the help we needed. It

is possible to get your taxes done for free. It is possible to save. It is absolutely okay to ask for help when you need it."

In addition to tax preparation services, the Coalition also offers Financial Check-Ups at 12 tax sites. A Financial Check-Up is a one-on-one session in which a taxpayer can review his or her credit score and obtain personalized credit-building strategies from a trained financial guide. This process is a key component of Boston Builds Credit, the City's new, free credit building program which helps residents improve their credit and move towards long-term financial resilience.

New this year, the Coalition will also introduce taxpayers to Bank On Boston, a recently

launched initiative that connects residents with banking accounts and financial services that are safe, affordable, and non-predatory. Taxpayers will be able to open Bank On accounts at their tax sites with the help of such key financial partners as the City of Boston Credit Union, Santander Bank, Bank of America, and Citizens Bank.

"We are so proud of our long years of partnership with the Boston Tax Help Coalition and are delighted to host the launch of their newest season of free services," said Sandra Cotterell, CEO of Codman Square Health Center. "Our organization is committed to serving one of Boston's largest and most vulnerable communities with affordable, quality healthcare that cares

for the whole person. As an essential part of that holistic approach, our free tax clinic each year returns millions of dollars into our community and serves to improve our patients' and neighbors' overall well-being."

Daniel Waltz, CEO of the City of Boston Credit Union, and John Drew, CEO of Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), key Coalition partners, also spoke at today's celebration. They were joined by representatives from Codman Square Health Center, one of the Coalition's busiest and longest-serving tax sites, as well as taxpayers who benefit from the services there. The Office of Financial Empowerment is an affiliate of the Boston Planning & Development Agency.

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### 71 WYVERN STREET, ROSLINDALE

This spacious 3 bed/2.5 bath Townhouse has everything on your wish list and is a MUST see! First level offers a sizable family room equipped with a gas fireplace and mantle. The kitchen and dining room have a spectacular open concept floor plan with modern custom white cabinets, stainless high-end appliances, and granite countertops/island, plus a half bath and laundry room! Second level offers an impressive master suite with a walk-in closet and lavish master bathroom, as well as two generous bedrooms and an additional full bathroom. This home also includes a large basement and attic for ample storage, a deck and yard, a multi-room sound system, security system and a driveway for two off-street parking spaces. Only one mile from Forest Hills T Station and from the shops, farmer's markets and restaurants in the bustling Roslindale Village!

\$739,000 – Listed by Jenna Lemoine



### 90 CASS STREET, WEST ROXBURY

Well-maintained two-family in highly desirable West Roxbury right off of Centre Street! This home boasts two spacious and bright units with hardwood floors. Both units feature two bedrooms, sun-filled living room, separate dining room, kitchen with pantry area, bathroom, and an additional enclosed porch/sunroom. Centrally located and a short distance to commuter rail and bus stops. This home has tremendous potential and is an excellent opportunity for investor, developer or owner occupant!

\$769,000 – Listed by Michael McGuire & Jenna Lemoine



### 48 MURRAY HILL ROAD, ROSLINDALE

Classic Gambrel Style Colonial sitting on a double lot centrally located in Rozzie Square. This majestic home offers original hardwoods throughout, a gracious foyer, open dining and living room with wood-burning fireplace and original art-deco light fixture, large kitchen with mudroom, pantry/laundry room, & half bath. The second floor boasts a master bedroom with en-suite, fireplace and attached 3-season porch. The two family bedrooms include ample closet space, plenty of natural light exposure with one of the rooms having an additional en-suite. The third floor is unheated but can easily be converted to play space, more bedrooms or office space/game room. The double lot is separately deeded and can be used for future expansion or keep it as your little oasis in the City.

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