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## Families in Need returns for 28th year

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The 28th annual Mary Mulvey Jacobson Families in Need program will be heading out once again this year on Nov. 20 to deliver turkey dinners to residents.

The program, named after its founder, Mary Mulvey Jacobson, started in the early 1990s when Jacobson saw a serious need in the Parkway. Though she is now gone, West Roxbury Business and Professional Association (WRBPA) President Jim Hennigan said they are continuing her work with the help of hundreds in the community.

"We are very excited about it this year; we have a lot of people who have already volunteered," he said. "The response was immediate. I sent out the email last week and on that day, more than 30 people responded looking to volunteer."

The E-5 District of the Boston Police Department (BPD) always extends a helping hand for this event and will be doing so again, along with food donations from the Roche Brothers Supermarket on Centre Street. The event itself, for Thanksgiving at least as the Christmas delivery date has not

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About 100 residents came out for the annual Deutsches Altenheim Veterans Day Service in West Roxbury.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

## Deutsches Altenheim hosts Veterans Day remembrance

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Deutsches Altenheim held its annual Veterans Day remembrance on Nov. 11 with a speaking program, breakfast and a salute from the local VFW post.

VFW Post 2902 Commander and Lord Mayor of West Roxbury Richie Gormley pointed out the importance of supporting veterans throughout the year.

"My post members in the back, this morning we were here early and we visited the patients upstairs," he said. "Two of them are members of the post, and we're here to help

veterans through the whole year, not just today."

The post Honor Guard then proceeded outside to give a formal salute to veterans.

U.S. Army Veteran and Veterans Health Administration member Brendan Kemp said remembrances like the one at the German Center remind him personally of why he got into the VA in the first place.

"This commemoration is always special for those of us in the Department of Veterans Affairs," he said. "We are dedicated to serving the needs of 20 million men and women living today who have served in our nation's armed forces."

Kent said the VA is looking

to modernize its system to be able to better serve veterans in the future.

"Implementation of the Mission Act, is a landmark achievement of Congress that will fundamentally transform VA healthcare by consolidating all of the VA's Community Care efforts into one program that is much easier for veterans, their family, VA employees and community providers to navigate," he said. "We are replacing our aging electronic health record system, moving to the same system utilized by the Department of Defense, modernizing our appointment system, automating our disability claims and payment systems and connecting the VA to the

DOD, private health providers and private citizens."

Kent added that the VA's mission goes all the way back to President Abraham Lincoln, and he said the VA is continuing that mission.

"Service must be justly recognized by a grateful nation, that we have a commitment those who have born the battle," he said. "With the support of the president and Congress, we at the VA help the nation pay its debt to those who have fulfilled citizenship's highest duty... We are working on [VA Secretary Robert] Wilkie's priorities at the VA to

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Rep. Russell Holmes makes a point during the MHC meeting last Thursday night.

PHOTO BY MARY ELLEN GAMBON

## MHC talks business, election, and climate change

Mary Ellen Gambon  
Staff Reporter

The Mount Hope Canterbury Neighborhood Association (MHC) met last Thursday, Nov. 8, and discussed a range of issues from the election to problems with traffic and local businesses to the devastating impact

of climate change at its monthly meeting, held at the Home for Little Wanderers on American Legion Highway.

More than 20 residents and a host of government representatives attended the meeting, chaired by Lisa Beatman and

**MHC**

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# City Council considers speed reduction once again

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met on Tuesday, Nov. 13 and discussed reducing the citywide speed limit even further from the 25 mph already in place.

In 2017, the city approved a reduction in the citywide speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph, except where otherwise posted.

District 2 City Councilor Ed Flynn, District 3 City Councilor Frank Baker and At-Large City Councilor Michelle Wu sponsored the hearing.

"In my opinion, it is still too fast," said Flynn. "I offered a 12-point plan for safer streets

in South Boston this summer, including traffic-calming measures like speed humps, raised crosswalks, road diets, speed boards, curb extensions and greater enforcement. I was pleased that the Department of Transportation announced in a community meeting it would enact these measures along with 20-mile-per-hour zones in the South Boston Action Plan."

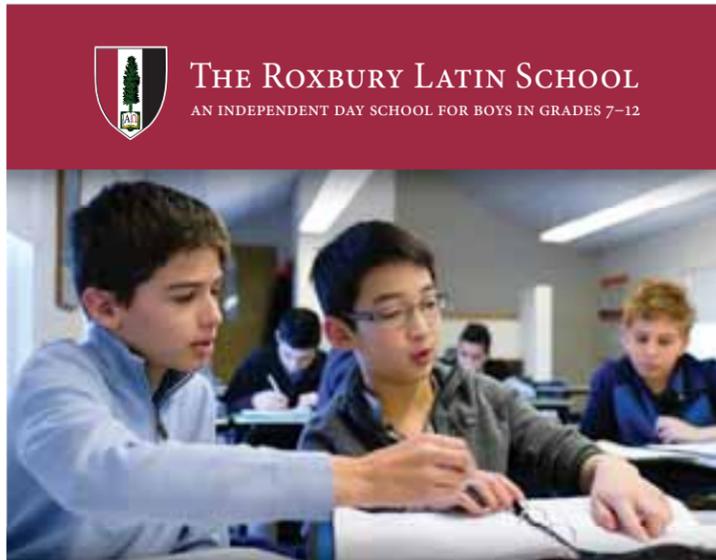
Flynn said he would like to start a dialogue around the merits of a 20 mph speed limit in Boston, unless otherwise posted. Flynn said he is open to the idea of just having reduced speeds at relevant zones in the city, if a full 20 mph speed limit is not feasible.

Baker said he's all for a 20 mph speed limit throughout the city.

"Taking the speed limit from 30 to 25 was a good step; I always thought it should have been 20 but, furthermore, I believe this discussion here today is as much about the speed limit as it is about what we're doing for redesign, Safe Streets and those kinds of things," he said. "I've got to be honest, I'm a little taken aback that Chief [of Streets Chris] Osgood isn't here and [Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (BTD)] Gina Fiandaca isn't here. I'm more than taken aback."

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The RVMS is bringing back its Winter Farmers Market in January.

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# RVMS prepping for Poplar meeting, Adams Tree Lighting

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Roslindale Village Main Streets (RVMS) is hosting a meeting regarding a \$55,000 revitalization effort for Poplar Street on Nov. 16 at its office on 4236A Washington St. at 6 p.m.

RVMS Executive Director Alia Hamada Forrest said they are looking to raise \$25,000 from the community, with a match from MassDevelopment, and an additional \$5,000 from the Boston Main Streets. She said they have raised \$10,500 so far.

“Which is really impressive,” she said. “We’re excited that so many businesses are also contributing to show how important this is to them. In particular, the businesses on Poplar are working with the city right now and we’re work-

ing on offering benches, which is awesome.”

Forrest added that they are also looking to beautify the area and make it more visible to shoppers.

“But we also want to have some artistic stuff, like planter benches, more bike racks and we want to have trash containers that are maybe not just black, and perhaps have some different colors that are more true to the Roslindale nature,” she said. “We’re a very colorful neighborhood. We also want to install lighting and help businesses get LED lighting for the outside, as currently, if you walk down Poplar or drive by on Washington at night, it’s typically pretty dark. We want to illuminate the sidewalks.”

The upcoming meeting will help RVMS nail down more specifics for the project, as Forrest said they want it to be

community driven.

“It’s really flexible,” she said. “It would be great to get more people involved. We hear a lot from online but having a meeting in person is definitely valuable.”

RVMS is also gearing up for the annual Adams Park Christmas Tree Lighting set for 3 p.m. on Nov. 24. She said there will be hot drinks, dances, song and of course Boston Mayor Marty Walsh and Santa Claus coming in on a Boston Fire Department Fire Engine.

She added that Comedy Sports will also be hosting a 15-minute improv session with the residents.

“We’ll find out what happens!” she said. “Pet Cabaret will also be hosting their annual Rein Dog Competition this year too.”

This Saturday also marks the last Summer Farmers Mar-

ket, which Forrest said she hopes will be heavily attended.

“It seems like every Saturday has been rainy, so we’re hoping for the last one to be a beautiful day,” she said. “The Farmers Market Committee is now writing thank you notes for the summer season vendors as part of the gratitude for the season, and that’s pretty special.”

The Winter Farmers Market will begin in January of 2019 at the Sons of Italy Hall. Forrest said there will be new vendors as well as some returning favorites, like Mr. Tamole’s Tamales, which has consistently created long wait

lines at the Summer Market.

“I have waited in that line too,” Forrest said “We will also have Apex Orchards coming back too.”

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## Editorial

### CHECKING IN ON AIRBNB

We might have less of a problem with so-called “disruptive” companies if they were not so...well...disruptive.

The ride-sharing service Uber — no matter how convenient and appreciated it may be by its fanbase — swept into the area by, essentially, upending the decades of laws, regulations and best practices demanded of taxi cab companies. It still riles us up that a company, solely by nature of having an “app,” can decide that it is somehow above the law and more deserving of a helping hand than an established industry.

Uber, however, is an upstanding citizen compared to the apartment-and house-sharing service Airbnb, a San Francisco-based company that has been aggressively feuding with city and state officials. The company, reeling from Boston’s efforts to impose some regulatory controls and consumer protections, has now filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court. The root of that lawsuit against the City: the laughable accusation that its First Amendment rights have been violated.

Airbnb is seeking a court-ordered injunction to prevent the City from imposing a \$300-per-day fine on those who use the service and advertise, what a new ordinance deems, as an ineligible short-term rental. That ordinance is slated to hit the books on Jan. 1.

Boston’s crackdown comes amid reports that as many as 2,000 rental properties (including entire buildings), notably in Chinatown and the Back Bay, are being pulled from the marketplace to instead be offered up on Airbnb as hotel alternatives. The forthcoming City ordinance allows only owner-occupied single-family, two-family, and three-family homes to offer units on the site, capped at 120 days a year. Investor-owned properties are ineligible.

Here, from the lawsuit, is Airbnb’s beef: “The City of Boston has enacted an Ordinance limiting short-term residential rentals by hosts. But it goes much further than that. The Ordinance also enlists home-sharing platforms like Airbnb into enforcing those limits under threat of draconian penalties, including \$300-per-violation-per-day fines and complete banishment from doing business in Boston.

“Boston’s heavy-handed approach, however, crosses several clear legal lines and must be invalidated,” the company adds.

The ordinance, for example, compels Airbnb to enter into undefined “agreements” with the City that will require Airbnb to take down listings posted by third-parties “and prevent whatever scope of listings in whatever manner Boston dictates — or else be barred from Boston altogether.” It also forces home-sharing platforms like Airbnb to “actively police third-party content on their websites by penalizing the design and operation of their platforms and restricting and imposing severe financial burdens on protected commercial speech.”

In addition to allegedly chilling free speech, the company argues that the demand violates the Communications Decency Act and the Stored Communications Act, laws that protect online businesses, notably social media interests, from illicit material posted by third parties to their service without their knowledge.

In strict legal terms, the lawsuit has a fair chance of success. The problem, however, is that focusing on free speech concerns will likely dominate a debate that should be argued in a far different arena. The real problem here isn’t advertising; it is the erosion of Boston’s already ridiculously limited and expensive housing market.

Going out of town for a few days and hope to rent out your apartment? Great. That is a perfect way to use a site like Airbnb. But when those rentals become little more than an investment strategy and an effort to run a makeshift “hotel,” then the City has a legitimate concern and must step in.

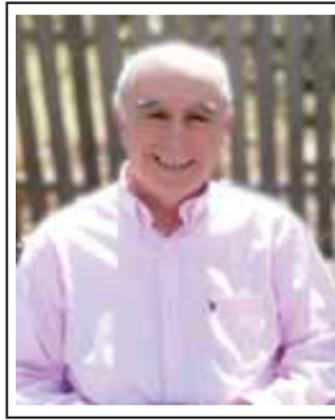
The bottom line: city officials have a responsibility to protect its residents and do what it can to encourage affordable housing. Airbnb, for all its innovation and potential benefits, is a threat to both.

## Left-over tidbits from Election Day

As a poll worker, I truly admire Boston’s election process. It is to be highly commended because of the care and precision that goes into insuring voting fairness in the city’s 254 precincts. There is also the tedious built-in redundancy to prevent mistakes from occurring at the precinct level.

Handicapped voters are accommodated in a number of ways: no one can claim—unlike possibly in other states and assuredly in other countries—that some disability thwarts their ability to vote. My Irish grandmother, who would have been in today’s society deemed legally blind from the diabetes-caused loss of one eye and impaired vision in the other, had no such accommodation; her frail, cane-based walking was not accommodated in her voting years. Yes, the city currently goes to great lengths to ensure handicapped voters’ ability to vote.

Voters not fluent in English are given so much opportunity to understand the directions and the referenda issues—not just in Spanish but in other languages common to the Boston area if they ask to use the machinery given by the state that is available in each precinct. They can lay no claim that the voting process is reserved for



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the English-speaking community only. I wonder how my Italian grandparents ever succeeded in voting: did they have to bring their children to the voting areas with them and hope that none of the wording was that complicated for their English-speaking children to read to them?

Kudos to the creative Advanced Placement (AP) Government teacher at one of the city’s exam schools: this teacher arranged for some of his/her students to work the polls and see democracy at his primeval roots. The high school senior assigned to our precinct was not old enough to

vote but from early morning until long after the sun had set she worked as industriously as any adult. Her method of dealing with voters was way beyond her years, as she affably greeted them and made small talk with their accompanying children. Indeed, she got to see first-hand not only the voting but also to observe how apparent irregularities are addressed.

As one who has her eyes on the political process in the future, she will take steps, if elected in future elections, to address down-to-earth needs. It is so disappointing to hear from her about the conditions of lavatories in her school, ranging from closed ones to the absence of toilet paper. And it is so disappointing to hear how her high school cafeteria does not address the needs of vegetarians and those with students suffering from peanut allergies.

Regardless of party affiliation in these regards, the future cannot come soon enough for her and for me, too. Is there a politician or school administrator out there who, emulating the efficiency of the Election Department, can address such pressing, personal needs without waiting for the 2020 election?

## Letters to the Editor

### DEMOCRATS NEED TO DO BETTER

To the Editor:

Piggy-backing off your Editorial of last week, “the surprising number of unchallenged Democrats means that no matter how popular Baker may be, the local Republican Party still has plenty of work ahead if it seeks to be a ballast against an otherwise solidly “Blue” state.

Given that MA Trump Campaign manager, Geoff Diehl’s, chief attack on Elizabeth

Warren was that she only had “eyes for higher office,” thus putting Massachusetts last ... I was deeply hurt and disappointed that the Mass Dems, Mayor Walsh, and our local Ward 20 allowed all of Centre St. and every other polling place in West Roxbury to turn into a parade-like campaign ad for that guy (and all the ugly hatefulness he represents). I know for a fact that the Mass Dems invested many \$100 thousands into staff and materials into an awesome months-long, door-

2-door canvassing effort in West Roxbury.

Nonetheless, it surely made me feel like the Mass Democratic Party considered me and my neighbors as just more “fly-over country” [like those who elected Trump] that we didn’t need visual clues and support from Senator Warren to ask for our vote. DO BETTER Mass Dems !!

Andrea Doremus  
Boston

### THE PROMISE OF A GREAT EDUCATION

To the Editor:

I write in support of the Roxbury Prep organization’s building project at 361 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale. I am a resident of West Roxbury, an abutter to this proposed project, and an active supporter of this organization and its students. Many people in our community are at least partially familiar with this building project, having observed yard signs or read literature shared by a volunteer canvasser. However, what I have witnessed through conversations in my community is that few are familiar with the Roxbury Prep organization, and even fewer with the

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better serve veterans of all generations.”

State Sen. Michael Rush pointed out a strange incongruity with the services provided by the Massachusetts State Legislature for veterans and the

legislature’s population of veterans.

“Massachusetts has the very best benefits for our veterans and their families of all 50 states,” he said. “That did not happen be-

cause the legislature is full of veterans, quite the opposite. We have the fewest number of veterans serving in the Massachusetts State Legislature since World War II. I just want you to think of that, we have the very best services for our veterans, their families and our Gold Star

Families, yet we have the fewest number of veterans since World War II serving in the legislature. So that speaks volumes for each and every one of you, because you have demanded absolutely that the veterans of the Commonwealth are treated with dignity and the respect that they are entitled to.”

Air Force Lt. Col. Christopher Voehl said that in his time in the U.S. Armed Forces, he has been to dozens of countries, including Korea, Saudi Arabia and Turkey, and one thing that that travel has allowed him to do is to make honest connections with the people there.

“I met some really nice people, honestly, people who I still call my friends to this day,” he said. “I currently fly airlines around the world and I go back to these places and I still have these same friends. I’d like to put a little bit of humanity on the fact that when people are deployed, yes it’s a sacrifice and yes they are away from their families and friends, but what we’re really trying to do is bring people together and bring them to a point where they’re not arguing and they’re not fighting. Sometimes we’re right when we go to war and sometimes we’re wrong, and it’s important for people, through their politicians, to question that, and it’s important to question why we’re in certain areas.”

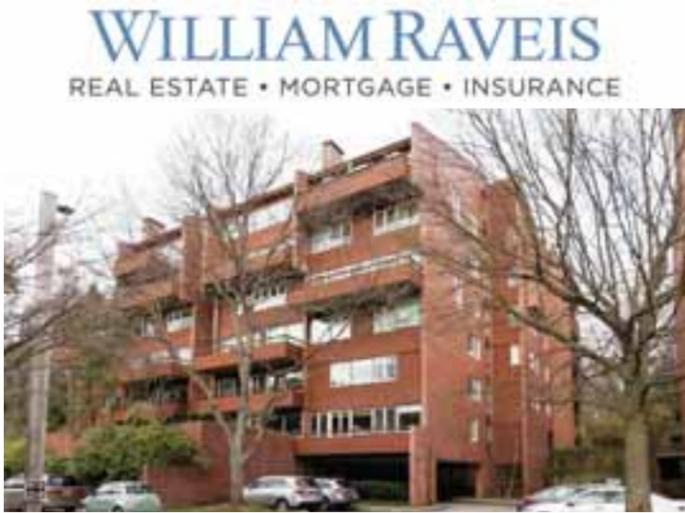
Keynote Speaker, U.S. Army command Sergeant Major Michael Murphy said he felt that

the sacrifice made by veterans was not in the actual fighting itself, but in the hearts of each soldier when they left their homes to head overseas.

“Many veterans, including myself, have experienced war first hand and have engaged in many combat operations,” he said. “I have been deployed numerous times in different parts of the world during my 32 years of service. Contrary to popular belief, the worst part was not fighting, nor was it the bombs bursting all around me. It was having to leave my family behind. I’m sure many veterans and their families can attest that the separation is always the hardest.”

Deputy Commissioner of Boston Veterans Services Robert Santiago said that the sacrifice born by U.S. servicemen and women is that of love, and he continues to serve to this day.

“It profoundly changes our character and redirects our life,” he said. “I can honestly say that the time I spent in service as a sailor in the U.S. Navy were some of the best days of my life, and even after retirement, I still serve. One thing I’ve noticed while working at the Office of Veterans Services, is that veterans don’t ask for much. They don’t want to be put in a special class, but benefits are a mere drop in the bucket for the financial and human cost of war. While not all veterans have served in war, all have expressed a willingness to fight when called to.”



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# Council approves back taxes forgiveness

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met last week and voted to approve an ordinance allowing residents to set up a payment plan to pay back their back taxes if they are experiencing financial hardship.

Committee Chair on Government Operations and At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty said the ordinance would provide a local option in the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 60 Section 62A allowing residents to negotiate payment plans for tax arrears and reduce interest for those with delinquent property taxes.

Flaherty said there have been several public hearings on the issue, and said the ordinance would allow two options for residential taxpayers for payment plans.

Flaherty said the city already does this with many residents through a state law that allows residents to negotiate, but they have to put down 25 percent of the principle they owe in order to start negotiating.

"This legislation would simply codify the existing practice and make it more widely accessible to qualified residents," he said. "The suggestion was made to petition the legislature for a special law to reduce 25 percent of the down payment currently required by state law, since many of our colleagues pointed out, 25 percent down could still be a significant burden without any support."

The ordinance sponsors, District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards and District 2 City Councilor Edward Flynn, reworked the ordinance to specifically target low-income elders for a five-year repayment plan with a 50 percent interest forgiveness. Flaherty said the new tax forms would be available in a number of different languages to further improve access to the program.

The program would see regular oversight by the council to determine if residents are taking advantage of it and how much in taxes is being gained from this. The program will go into effect starting in January.

Flynn said this is good step forward to help keep Boston residents in their homes. "Tax bills can be intimidating to all of us, and this ordinance aims to make it a little easier for our seniors who have fallen on tough times," he said.

Edwards said she didn't feel the state's program worked well enough, and is glad to see the city looking to correct it.

"If you owed the city taxes, we were really offering people 25 percent down and 10 months to catch up and, if you couldn't, well the city could proceed with a lien," she said. "That was an unnecessary place we put a lot of taxpayers in who wanted to do right but couldn't really afford that kind of

payment plan."

District 8 City Councilor Josh Zakim also called for a hearing to discuss the city's use and closure of public ways for the myriad of events residents and city organizations hold throughout the year.

Zakim said this has affected his district especially, and he has been working with local organizations and civic groups to find an equitable arrangement to cut down on road races, marches, street races and marches in residential neighborhoods.

"It's something that we've had no success moving forward on unfortunately," he said. "Just last weekend there was a new road race requiring the closure of residential streets. Our neighbors were able to leave their homes, but they weren't able to come back. I heard from folks trying to take their kids to piano practice or, on other days, to school. It's something that needs to be addressed."

Zakim said he hopes to be able to find other areas to host road races and marches so that they would not have such an impact.

"It doesn't make sense to have a corporate challenge with 10,000 runners closing off numerous residential streets for hours on a weekend when we have other neighborhoods, certainly on the weekends, that are not active, like the financial district or some part of other areas of the city which are predominately businesses, and would not be as intrusive on

people's daily lives," he said.

Zakim said that while events like the Boston Marathon or the Walk for Hunger are well-established and give months of notice to residents beforehand, he felt the sheer number of events coming to neighborhoods is getting a little too much.

"We all know when the marathon is, but to have, I think it was a National Realtor's 5K last week, pop up when people weren't expecting to have house guests," he said. "I was trying to get in and out of my driveway during that. We need

to find a solution for that."

The Council also voted to accept and expend a grant of \$966,932 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to fund a coordinated health and social service system for elderly independent living. The grant will be administered by the Elderly Commission. The council also voted to accept and expend another \$78,984 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to fund services to improve the health of seniors in Boston.

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**MHC** continued from page 1

Rick Yoder, Rep. Russell Holmes and representatives from City Council President Andrea Campbell's office and Councilor-at-Large Michael Flaherty's office attended.

Joseph Coppinger, the new Roslindale liaison for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, introduced himself to the group. He spoke about Mayor Martin J. Walsh's efforts to increase affordable housing efforts throughout Boston.

"The Department of Neighborhood Development is investing 54,257 units of new housing, and one-fifth of them are income restricted," Coppinger said. "This is a fact that we do have affordable housing."

Area development was a huge concern for the group. Beatman noted that the proposed Walk Hill Development mentioned at previous meetings was now "on hold."

"The owner owns the land with permissions to build on the property," Beatman explained. "If a developer were to come and propose something like townhouses or homeownership, there would have been a lot of neighborhood support for it."

Another potential development issue is that a developer has purchased a portion of half of the mall on American Legion Highway from the Dunkin' Donuts to McDonald's, Yoder said.

"The lot was sold to a small group, with a chunk of the parking," he said. "We are trying to determine what will happen, because there are five different owners."

The parcels run from an "oil change place to the McDonald's; the McDonald's; the Dunkin' Donuts; the Dunkin' Donuts to the Simco's; and from the Simco's to the smoke shop," according to Yoder.

Coppinger was asked to bring information about the lot to the group at the next monthly meeting. He was also asked to get information on how to get the long-defunct Blockbuster Video sign removed from the lot.

"What does that signal?" asked Holmes. "That signals neglect."

Caroline Kimball-Katz, deputy chief of staff for Campbell, announced research that the councilor and her office have done on the cannabis initiative. The office recently conducted a district-wide survey to note the biggest concerns about cannabis dispensaries entering the communities she serves, which include Roslindale, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan and Dorchester.

"Our office held a town hall on the issue," Kimball-Katz said. Although the law passed in 2016, it has yet to roll out. The City doesn't have total control, and there are a lot of questions. My team is putting together times to discuss hours of operation and other questions."

Yoder pointed out an ongoing problem between the MHC and ScrubaDub Car Wash at 565 American Legion Hwy. to Area E 18 Community Service officer Matthew Conley.

"The existing curb cut is 81 feet long," Yoder said. "Cars don't exactly know where to come out, and it's hard to see around the corner."

"(The owner) told me he is willing to come to a meeting," replied Holmes. "It will be good for him to come to a meeting."

Holmes discussed the recent election and the concept of gerrymandering before the group.

"There were three questions on the ballot because legislators didn't do their jobs," he said. "Question One was on the ballot because the nurses weren't happy."

"Question Two was on the ballot be-

cause people felt they needed to form a committee," he continued. "I think it may just create more work. I feel that corporations should not be treated as people. Question Three was on the ballot so that everyone, including transgender people, would be treated equally. No matter what your religious beliefs, everyone deserves equal rights."

Holmes discussed questions that were lobbied for but did not make the ballot, most notably the \$15 minimum wage.

Instead of having the minimum wage increase to \$15 now, it will raise incrementally by 75 cents per year over the next five years to eventually reach \$15 by 2023, he explained.

"In my opinion, that was the least worst solution," Beatman said about this and other questions that did not make the ballot. "I would have liked the opportunity to give feedback. And if there wasn't, there should have been."

Although the U.S. Census won't be taken until 2030, "we are dealing with it at the State House right now," Holmes explained, as legislators are fighting to keep their districts as close to their present constituencies as possible.

But redistricting often includes the concepts of "packing and cracking," he explained.

"With packing, they try to put all the Latinos together," Holmes said. "By cracking it, you would break a strong constituency in half among two districts."

Moving on to an issue of global significance, Roslindale resident Alan Wright gave a presentation on the adverse effects of climate change and ways to address it locally.

"If you were to wrap Saran Wrap around the earth, it would be seven miles high," he explained. That is the troposphere. The stratosphere is 10 miles high, which would be from here to Cambridge."

He explained that the effects of glo-

bal warming can be felt underfoot.

"The pavement gets so much hotter now," he said. "It's like the heat lamp that you warm your French fries over at McDonald's."

The presentation was far more extensive and showed the worldwide impact of climate change. For example, the migration of refugees from equatorial regions has been caused by grain supplies literally drying up, causing food shortages.

"Extreme weather affects how we live," Wright said, noting it even has affected the MBTA by warping the rails in freezing weather and melting and cracking asphalt.

To combat the damage, he said people should switch to solar panels, ride bikes and, eventually, switch to electric cars to reduce the carbon footprint.

Wright said he hopes to do more presentations throughout the area to increase people's knowledge of the issue.

Yoder also announced the successful planting of 10 redwood trees last month in the Mount Hope area through a Community Preservation Act grant.

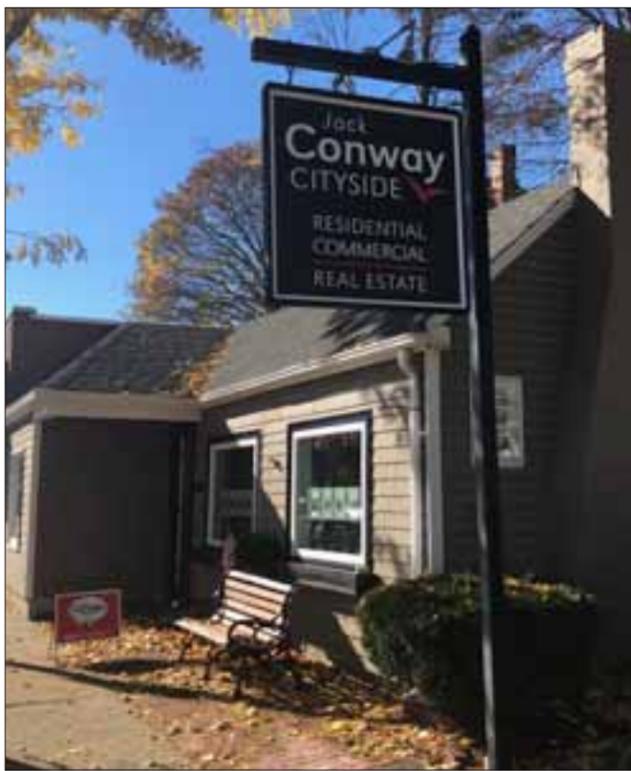
"The way I think about this, we are losing trees every year to age and disease," he said. "This is the closest thing we have to a park."

"A hundred trees have died in Mount Hope Cemetery over the past decades," added Beatman. "The City has allocated money to replace them, but nothing has happened, until now. That is the history of how things are. But now the City has encouraged us to apply for more money."

MHC encompasses Mount Hope St. Canterbury St. and parts of American Legion Hwy. and Cummins Hwy. It also includes all of the side streets from Harding Rd up in what Beatman called the American Legion Coalition, "since we all share the same problems and assets," according to Beatman.



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# Families in Need *continued from page 1*

yet been set, will start at 9 a.m. on Nov. 20 at the Roche Brothers parking lot.

"We'll do more than 300 deliveries between the two days," Hennigan said.

The program works by the WRBPA collecting names from residents and organizations like the BPD or the YMCA of residents who need a little help making the holiday special.

"We're into November and it's time to reach out to people, and Thanksgiving comes around awfully fast," Hennigan

said.

Hennigan said though the families change year to year, the need generally does not.

"From two years ago we went around to 120 families, and we are up to about 145 families last year," he said. "We're also adding some families in Jamaica Plain, and we're figuring we'll be going to about 150 families this year."

Hennigan said they have also now partnered with the Jamaica Plain organization Ethos, which serves the senior

population in Southwest Boston.

"They gave us a list of people; Rose's Bounty gave us a list of people; the YMCA and the BPD also give us lists," he said. "The families change on an annual basis, and every year there are some new families... You combine all those lists together and there is definitely an increase in need. I don't know if it's a sign of the times where

more families are struggling, but we're always happy to help deliver to families who need the dinners."

Hennigan said though Jacobson organized the two events for November and December, the WRBPA has expanded its work to year-round activities for those in need.

"We've given to some of the local charities like Rose's Bounty, and they're a charity we recognize for great, great things and we'll continue to support them," he said. "We're

YMCA and our lead sponsor, Top It Off, are really helping us this year, as is the Stratford Street Church."

Hennigan said the change has been tough since Jacobson passed away, as she did the whole event seemingly herself.

"We found out there were a lot of details she took care of that you have to make sure you do, and after last year, we got used to what needs to be done so we're a little bit more aware this year," he said. "Whereas before, Mary and a few people were organiz-

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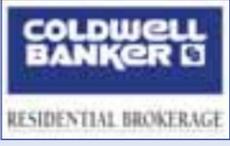


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ing this on their own, and when Mary passed, it was tough. This is the 28th year since Mary started it, and it was only a few families back then and we just want to continue the tradition that has become a part of the West Roxbury, Roslindale and now Jamaica Plain communities."

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To the Public Safety Commission  
Committee on Licenses  
Building Department Boston, MA October 29, 2018

APPLICATION

For the lawful use of herein-described building, and other structure, application is hereby made for a permit to erect a private-public-business-garage 26 vehicle parking garage

and also for a license to use the land on which such building or structure is/are or is/are to be situated for the Keeping-STORAGE of 520 gallons of gas in the tanks of vehicles.

Location of land 45 Spring Street Ward 20  
Owner of land LaRosa Development Corp. 850 Pleasant Street Norwood, MA 02062

Dimension of land Ft. front 145 Ft. deep 270 Area sq. ft. 28,118 S.F.  
Number of buildings or structures on land, the use of which requires land to be licensed One (1)  
Manner of keeping in the tanks of vehicles.

City of Boston. In Public Safety Commission November 28, 2018. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Wednesday the 28 day of November at 10:00 am. o'clock A.M., consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in the Boston Bulletin and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held 1010 Massachusetts Ave, Boston, MA 02118.

A true copy,  
Attest: Brigid Kenny-White, Secretary  
Sean C. Lydon, Chairman  
Joseph Finn  
Gina N. Fiandaca  
COMMITTEE ON LICENSES

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin,  
11/01/18, 11/08/18, 11/15/18

# Speed Limits *continued from page 2*

At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty said in an interview with WGBH on Wednesday morning that without increased enforcement, it's somewhat of a moot point to keep reducing the speed limit. According to statistics from the state, ticketing and enforcement for speeding in the city actually went down by half, from both the State Police and the Boston Police Department, from 2016 to 2017, 2017 being the year the 25 mph restriction was put in place.

District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley, in whose district last week there was a fatal pedestrian car crash on Stimson and Washington Street in West Roxbury, said he believes the best way to reduce fatalities is to get more cars off the street and encourage more multi-modal transportation methods.

Director of Planning at the BTD Vineet Gupta said that they consider street design as the department's first method of increasing safety in the city, and is currently working on "priority corridors" on L Street in South Boston, Kneeland Street in Chinatown, Mattapan Square, Tremont Street in the South End and Roxbury and Beacon Street.

"We will continue to identify priority corridors in neigh-

borhoods that haven't been addressed yet," he said. "We will continue to expand our efforts."

Gupta also went into the Slow Streets program, which selects five or fewer neighborhoods off main artery streets and uses traffic-calming measures to reduce speeding cut-through traffic. Gupta addressed Flynn's proposal for a 20 mph speed reduction in areas where there are elderly populations and day care centers, but he wanted to see if the city could do it without going to the Massachusetts State House to get a law enacted. This process has historically been hit or miss when it comes to the City Council, as some Home-Rule Petitions have just sat on the Statehouse floor for years.

"We can do that in specific areas, as you know we already have 20 mph in school zones which is implemented at school zones through the (BTD) Commissioner's orders, and we can do that at other locations as

well," he said.

Gupta said the process would be working closely with the district councilors and going to analyze the sites.

"That would be huge if we were able to accomplish something like that," Flynn said.

Resident and Director of Organizing at the Boston Cyclists Union Eliza Parad pointed out that the data is not always complete. She cited a recent incident where a cyclist was hit in a hit and run in the Fenway and died in the hospital two days later. She said because of the way incidents are recorded, that incident did not make it into the city's Vision Zero Data, or any other data regarding fatal crashes for that matter.

"We know that those sorts of deaths are occurring, that serious injuries are occurring but they are not captured," she said. "We need to get the data right, and we need to improve our streets based on that data in an equitable way that gets to all the districts across the city."

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Jennifer Verrill, co-owner of Verrill Farm prepares two traditional Thanksgiving pies: Pumpkin Pie and Apple Pie. Kelsey Roth, certified cicerone explains to Jennifer Verrill why he chose Saison, Ommegang Hennepin for the craft beer pairing of the Thanksgiving Turkey.

Carol O'Connor, co-host, interviews Chef Kevin Carey on the grounds of Verrill Farm to discuss his culinary experience, what is it like to work at Verrill Farm and many of his dishes.

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**ELKS ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER**

The Boston Lodge of Elks will be holding their Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on the holiday Thursday, November 22nd at the Lodge home One Morrell Street in West Roxbury. Doors open at 11:00 AM and a complete turkey dinner will be served at 12 Noon. Entertainment and door prizes for all. No reservations are necessary. For more info please call Dinner Chairman Andy Schell at 857-719-4938.

**BNN ANNUAL MEETING**

Tuesday November 27. BNN members and those thinking of becoming members are invited to the BNN Annual Meeting. It will be held here at the BNN Charles J. Beard II Media Center at 3025 Washington Street, Egelston Square, Boston, MA 02119. Please RSVP to Janice Holman at 617-708-3200 or [jholman@bntv.org](mailto:jholman@bntv.org)

**COPLEY SQUARE TREE LIGHTING NOVEMBER 26**

Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and The Friends of Copley Square welcome the holidays with the annual Copley Square Tree Lighting on Monday, November 26, from 5 p.m. to 6

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**DEATHS**

**FITZGERALD**



Patricia J. (Doherty) of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain, November 9. Beloved wife of the late Donald E. Fitzgerald. Loving mother of Marianne Fitzgerald and her spouse Elizabeth Souza of Chelmsford. Grandmother of Nathaniel and Zachary Souza. Sister of Bernadette "Peachie" Fitzgerald of Braintree, Bernard "Benny" Doherty of Roslindale, and the late Eileen Talbot. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral from the George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Patricia's memory to AUTISM SPEAKS, PO Box 37147, Boone, IA 50037-0147. For guestbook, [www.gfdoherty.com](http://www.gfdoherty.com)

**FOLEY**

Daniel M., Jr. Of West Roxbury, suddenly, November 11, 2018. Beloved husband of Bea (O'Malley) Foley. Loving father of Daniel M. Foley III of Pembroke and Devin K. Foley of Pembroke. Devoted son of Carolyn (Kenney) and the late Daniel M. Foley, Sr. of West Roxbury. Loving brother of Patricia and Brian Cummins of VA, James and Sunee Foley of CA, Kevin and Jessie Foley of OK, and Kathleen and John Graham of Medfield. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends. Family and friends will celebrate and remember Daniel's life by gathering for visiting hours at the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Thursday, Nov. 15, from 3:00 to 8:00pm. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in the Holy Name Church, West Roxbury, on Friday, Nov. 16, at 10:00am. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Dan just celebrated 30 years of working at F.W. WEBB. Donations may be made in Dan's memory to The

Greater Boston Food Bank, 70 South Bay Avenue, Boston, MA 02118. [www.gbfb.org](http://www.gbfb.org) Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home [www.lawlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.lawlerfuneralhome.com) 617-323-5600.

**GREANEY**

Judith A. (Fulton) of West Roxbury, Nov. 8, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Dan. Loving mother of Robert F. and his wife Christine of Bedford, John M. and his wife Susan of Dedham, Daniel F. Jr. of Roslindale, Susan E. Fanno and her husband Jeff of San Diego, CA and Lauren A. Greaney of E. Providence RI. Devoted grandmother of 10 grandchildren. Sister of Barbara Shambaugh of Brookline. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org). For directions and guestbook [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service (617) 323-8600.

**KILDAY**

Charles F. of West Roxbury, November 10. Beloved son of the late William and Irene (Perry) Kilday. Brother of the late Winifred Kenton, Madelaine Barrett, William, John, George, and Frank Kilday. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Former Owner of Kilday Realty of West Roxbury, retired Firefighter City of Boston, champion hand ball player, and WWII Veteran. Funeral from the P.E. Murray & F.J. Higgins, George F Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St Mary's Cemetery, Foxboro. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Charles' memory to the Salvation Army, 25 Shawmut Rd., Canton, MA 02021. For directions and guestbook [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com) P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins George F Doherty & Sons West Roxbury 617 325 2000.

**LOUGHMAN**

Bertha M. of Roslindale, formerly of Jamaica Plain. Daughter of the late Alexandre & Marion (Joubert) Bouchard. Wife of the late Arthur M. Loughman. Mother of Arthur M. Loughman, Jr. and wife Marion of Bridgewater and Kerry Loughman and husband Kalman Zabarsky of Brookline and Jacqueline Mayall and her husband David of Acton. Sister of the the late Benoit, Albert, Irene St Laurant, Lillian White and Lucille

Cote. Also survived by grandchildren Mark, Annie, Susan, Eric & Asa and great grandchildren Joshua, Isabel, Eva & Carter. Funeral from the Mann Rodgers Funeral Home, 44 Perkins St. (corner of So. Huntington Ave.) JAMAICA PLAIN. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Guestbook [@mannandrodgers.com](mailto:@mannandrodgers.com).

**MATSON**

Ann E. "Nan" (Gately) of Roslindale, formerly of Brighton, November 11, 2018. Beloved wife of 73 years to John Matson. Daughter of the late Martha (Walsh) and Edward Gately. Devoted mother of Debra Matson of Roslindale and Roger Matson and his wife Kathleen of Norwood. Loving grandmother of Thomas Matson and his wife Marsha of Raynham, Kerrie Purnell and her husband Robert of East Longmeadow, and Katelyn Nesbitt and her husband Keith of Raynham. Cherished great-grandmother of Abigail, Ryan, Brady, Kayla, and Matthew. Sister of Emily Smith of Stoneham, and the late Richard, Edward, Charles, and Robert Gately. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home 2055 Centre St. WEST ROXBURY, Thursday, November 15th at 10:30 am, followed by a Funeral Mass in Holy Name Church at 11:30 am. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Donations may be made in her memory to Boston Rescue Mission 39 Kingston St, Boston, MA 02111 or Boston Catholic TV, 34 Chestnut St, Watertown, MA 02472. For directions and guestbook [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

**O'BRIEN**

John F. "Jack" of West Roxbury, formerly of Canton, November 6, 2018. Beloved husband of Amy (Farrell) O'Brien. Loving father of Bridgid, Aurora and John O'Brien. Beloved son of Mary (Byrne) and the late Dick O'Brien of Canton. Devoted brother of Rick and Julee O'Brien of Taunton, Michael O'Brien of Canton, Kathleen and Steve Hoke of FL., Thomas O'Brien of Canton, Maria O'Brien of Norton, James and Maureen O'Brien of Hudson, JoAnne and Mark Randlett of Franklin, Christine and David Dyckman of Norton and Matthew of CO. Also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Jack was a Senior Project Manager for the Boston Planning and Development Authority.

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p.m. The free event will feature appearances by Mayor Walsh, NECN's Jenny Johnson, Santa Claus, and Rudolph along with musical performances by vocalist Mark "Sing" Robertson, the Boston Children's Chorus, the Boston Pops Brass Quintet, and Berklee College of Music's own Natalie Daniela Castro Diaz. Light refreshments will be provided by Drake's Cakes, KIND Snacks, HP Hood LLC, and the dairy farm families of New England and Must Be The Milk. The Fairmont Copley Plaza will host a family reception immediately following for all in attendance. The reception will include cookie decorating, photos with Santa and treats from the Fairmont Copley Plaza. For additional information please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505. To learn more about The Friends of Copley Square, please visit [www.friendsofcopleysquare.org](http://www.friendsofcopleysquare.org).

## DON BOSCO REUNION

A reunion for all Don Bosco Technical High graduates and staff takes place on Saturday, Nov. 24 at the Norwood Elks Club. Memorial Mass at 4 p.m. and dinner and socializing follows. Send a check for \$47 payable to Jim Hager at Jim Hager, 13 Newton Drive, Gorham, ME 04038. E-mail [dbtreunion@gmail.com](mailto:dbtreunion@gmail.com) to pay by Pay Pal. A final headcount is needed by Nov. 15th.

## WWI MOBILE MUSEUM

Visit the Mobile Museum at Springhouse on November 29 & 30! "Lest We Forget," a traveling exhibit commemorating the centennial anniversary of World War I is coming to Springhouse! Based in Texas, the World War I Mobile Museum is a traveling ex-

hibition of original artifacts composed of twelve sections depicting different themes, including trench warfare, photographic and cinematic treatment of the war and Christmastime on the battlefield. More than 200 artifacts and photographs are presented, including numerous personal items used by soldiers, one of the first battlefield movie cameras and an authentic trenching tool like those used to dig more than 25,000 miles of trenches during the war.

"When I was visiting the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, I realized that senior adults are the last direct descendants of World War I veterans and decided to create a mobile museum to bring these artifacts to them wherever they live," said Keith Colley, curator and owner. "We're finding people of all ages are drawn to the exhibit. Our hope is to keep the memory of World War I and its veterans alive, which is why we called it 'Lest We Forget,' a phrase that comes from a speech delivered by President Woodrow Wilson after the war ended." The WWI Mobile Museum is open to the public. Come visit: Thursday, November 29th between 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. or Friday, November 30th between 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. While admission is free, we ask that visitors bring a toy to donate to the Home for Little Wanderers Big Wishes Holiday Toy Drive.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Poor Clare Nuns will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 17, 2018 from 9 am to 3 pm at The Monastery of Saint Clare, 920 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

## NIGHT OF REMEMBRANCE AND LIGHT

Friday November 23rd 7-9 pm. Join us as we circle Jamaica Pond and light one another's candle, in memory of lost loved ones. Enjoy hot chocolate and cookies at this family friendly event. Rain or Shine! Suggested donation: \$5/candle Jamaica Pond, Jamaica Plain, MA

## WEST ROXBURY/ROSLINDALE

## ELKS ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

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## DON'T FORGET THE MAYOR'S TROLLEY TOUR

WRMS Holiday Market & Mayor's Trolley Tour on Friday, Nov 30th, 5-8pm at the Hasting St. Lot.

## WEST ROXBURY LIBRARY EVENTS

The Friends of the West Roxbury Branch Library will present a talk by the 2018-2019 Lois Lowry Fellowship winner Karen M. McManus, author of the young adult thriller, *One of Us is Lying*, on November 19 at 6:30 pm at the West Roxbury Branch Library, 1961 Centre Street. Pizza and refreshments will be served. The book, her first, is a New York Times bestseller and has been translated into 37 languages worldwide. Her second book, *Two Can Keep a Secret*, will be released in January 2019. The Lois Lowry Fellowship is presented annually by the Friends of the West Roxbury Branch Library to an emerging Young Adult author or illustrator.

## ANNUAL "FOCUS ON BROOK FARM" PHOTO AND ARTS EVENT FOR ALL AGES

Brook Farm in West Roxbury has long inspired writers, photographers, artists, artisans, and musicians. New Brook Farm invites the community to continue the tradition this fall and winter by visiting the Brook Farm Historic Site and submitting photos, artistic representations, prose, poetry, and musical works inspired by this historic place to their fourth annual Focus on Brook Farm event. Works by children and adults of all ages are welcome!

New Brook Farm will select works that reflect the many faces of the site for public exhibition in early spring 2019. All participants will be honored at a reception. Here are some ideas: collage, prose and poetry, needlework, photography, painting, drawing, a fairy house, and holiday decorations.

Deadline for all submissions: January 31, 2019. All works must have a connection to the Brook Farm site and its history. For guidelines on submitting your creative works, visit [newbrookfarm.org](http://newbrookfarm.org) and click the link for "Annual 'Focus on Brook Farm' photo & arts event for all ages is underway!" More information: [info@newbrookfarm.org](mailto:info@newbrookfarm.org)

## BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, November 17th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Holy Name Parish Hall, 525 West Roxbury Parkway, West Roxbury, MA. A photo ID is required.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AT ISC

The Irish Social Club of Boston will be hosting its installation of officers ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 18. Lord Mayor of West Roxbury Richie Gormley will be installed as the new incoming president of the Club. There will be a Mass at 5 p.m., with the installation at 6 p.m. followed by a music program at 7 p.m.

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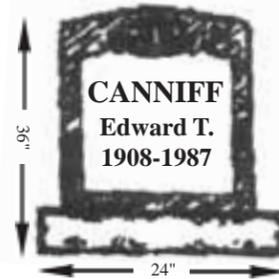
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## O'DONNELL



Hugh E. Lifelong resident of West Roxbury and more recently also at The Sophia Snow House passed away on November 8, 2018. Hugh was the beloved son of the late James J. and Margaret (Morrison) O'Donnell and the devoted brother of the late James O'Donnell. Hugh was an extremely proud graduate of Boston Latin School and Boston College. He also served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. After his service, Hugh worked with his brother and best friend,

Jim, as a Boston School teacher imparting his love of history, and geography to many of his students. Hugh cared deeply about the environment. Throughout his life, Hugh enjoyed traveling the United States, particularly hiking in many of the U.S. National Parks, and visiting historic sites throughout the country. While traveling, he took spectacular photographs that inspired his detailed sketches and beautiful paintings. He became an expert concerning anything related to the National Parks. He quietly supported many environmental causes as well as his beloved Church.

Hugh will be greatly missed by all the lives he touched including his "dream team" as well as the amazing folks at Sophia Snow Place, who became his family in his later life. Hugh kept life interesting for all of us, and he was truly one of a kind.

Donations in the name of Hugh E. O'Donnell may be made to support the exceptional and loving care given by Sophia Snow Place, 1250 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132.

Funeral from the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury on Thursday, November 15th at 9am, followed by a Funeral Mass at Holy Name Church, West Roxbury at 10am. Friends and neighbors kindly invited. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. For directions and guestbook, [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com). Funeral arrangements by P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU18P0450GD**  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF  
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO  
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

**In the matter of: Minnie M. Davis** **RESPONDENT**  
**Of: Concord, MA** **Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by  
The Department of Children and Families of Boston, MA  
In the above captioned matter alleging that **Minnie M. Davis** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
The Department of Children and Families of Boston, MA  
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.  
The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
November 6, 2018  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU18P2399GD**  
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GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO  
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

**In the matter of: Carmen E Cruz** **RESPONDENT**  
**Of: Hyde Park, MA** **Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by  
Patricia I Perello of Hyde Park, MA  
In the above captioned matter alleging that **Carmen E. Cruz** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
Patricia I Perello of Hyde Park, MA  
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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
November 5, 2018  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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facilities that this project is meant to replace. Here is what I have learned: Roxbury Prep has served students and families in the Boston area for nearly 20 years. In this time, 78% of Roxbury Prep alumni have gone on to matriculate at a 4-year college (as of 2014). The roughly-600 students currently enrolled at Roxbury Prep High School attend classes at two rented facilities – one in Hyde Park and the other in Roxbury, located over 5 miles apart from one another – a disruptive and un-sustainable situation. Many of us can recall the challenges of our own high school experiences, as well as the importance of stability in those crucial formative years. What strikes me as being the critical element of this building project is that this organization – and this community – has a chance to provide a terrific group of students with not just a great facility, but with a home for their educational experience where they have the chance to form lasting bonds and pursue achievement in all its forms. This organization has worked continually and successfully to address the concerns of our community, and the time has come for all of us –

including our elected officials – to focus on making this dream a reality. The promise of a great education is one we make to all children, and this community should leap at the chance to keep that promise.

*Erik Johnson  
West Roxbury*

### QUESTION 3 MISLED VOTERS

*To the Editor:*

We the have-nots, good and decent people, are being pitted against each other by the haves (three individuals of who own more wealth together than all of the people in the bottom half of the United States population combined.) Here is just one example of how the very rich divided-and-ruled us with a ballot question in Massachusetts November 6—Question 3.

Big Money (using the Boston Globe and the liberal radio stations) inundated us with the message that if one didn't vote "Yes" (to keep the 2016 "bathroom" law) then one was a "transphobic" bigot. So lots of people voted "Yes" because good and decent people don't want to be a bigot against transgender people. The people who voted

"Yes" did not realize what exactly they were voting for. They didn't realize that a "No" vote would have left the earlier 2014 law against businesses discriminating against transgender people in place. They were told, on the contrary, that a "No" vote was a vote to repeal a law that made it illegal to discriminate against transgender people. They didn't know that a "No" vote would ONLY eliminate the absurdity introduced by the new 2016 law, which says that if a woman in a public-access shower or locker room tells an adult with male genitalia in that room to leave then she (the woman!) can be fined \$50,000 and sentenced to one year in jail.

The people who DID know what a "No" vote would do—eliminate an absurdity—were the ones who listened to conservative media such as WRKO talk radio (also controlled by Big Money).

Liberals who got their information from the liberal media heard only that the people who disagreed with the "bathroom" law were bigots who thought that transgender people were sexual predators. Liberals didn't know that the people who disagreed with the law simply thought that women in a public-access shower or locker room had a right to the customary gender-privacy that those facilities have offered in the past, and that this had nothing to do with thinking that transgender people are sexual predators.

The result of this Big Money media manipulation was that lots of good and decent liberal people thought that good and decent conservative people were horrible bigots, and the latter thought that the former were idiots who wanted women to have to be naked in front of adult strangers with male genitalia in a public-access shower or locker room.

If Big Money (to whom the politicians are beholden) wanted a non-controversial common-sense bathroom law that virtually everybody—transgender people and non-transgender people, liberals and conservatives—would have supported, they could have easily written one. All it would have had to say is that adults (and children past puberty) with male genitalia (whether born with them or not) use the public-access facilities designated for males, and vice versa for those with female genitalia, AND that private (for one-person-only) facilities must be provided for any person who does not wish to use the multi-person facility that the law allows them to use. PE-RIOD!

The reason such a common-sense law was never written is because it would not have advanced the actual aim of Big Money, which is to divide-and-rule the have-nots.

*John Spritzler  
Brighton*

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**In the matter of: Mark A. Dotel** **RESPONDENT**  
**Of: Roslindale, MA** **Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by  
Suel J Dotel-Acosta of Roslindale, MA  
In the above captioned matter alleging that **Mark A. Dotel** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
Suel J Dotel-Acosta of Roslindale, MA  
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.  
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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
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