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ZBA approves McClellan Highway billboard, residents upset

By John Lynds

After the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals rejected Richard Goldberg's proposal to erect a 40-foot digital billboard on McClellan Highway at the Hilton Garden Inn's property, the community hasn't heard a peep from Goldberg's billboard company, Logan Communications.

Then activists that have been long against placing new billboards in the neighborhood noticed the proposal was back before the ZBA for a vote last Tuesday.

Local activists that opposed the billboard, like Mary Berninger, showed up to the ZBA hearing, testified once again against the billboard and pointed out that since the ZBA rejected the proposal in February 2017 there has been no community process to re-examine the proposal.

Despite their efforts the ZBA voted in favor of the proposal with the support of May-

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BPDA approves two Eastie projects at October meeting

By John Lynds

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) approved two separate projects on Border Street at agency's October meeting that will result in 34 units of housing and financial contributions to the East Boston Social Centers and East Boston Greenway as part of construction mitigation.

The first project by MG2 at 277 Border St. plans to eliminate an existing auto body to construct five story, mixed-use development with 18 units and parking for eight vehicles.

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Local environmentalist John Walkey talking about the proposed Eversource Substation. Walkey works with Chelsea-based Green Roots--an environmental justice organization that works on environmental issues on the Eastie and Chelsea sides of the creek.

Local environmentalists want a sit down with Walsh over Chelsea Creek substation

By John Lynds

Last Wednesday morning local environmentalists from East Boston and Chelsea gathered at Boston City Hall to deliver 700 postcards to Boston Mayor Martin Walsh asking for the mayor to meet with residents on both sides of the Chelsea Creek to discuss alternatives to placing Eversource's proposed substation along the creek.

For two years local environmentalists on the East Boston and Chelsea sides of the Chelsea Creek have launched a visual, media and talking cam-

paign against Eversource's plans to place the substation on a City of Boston-owned parcel at the City Yards in East Eagle Square.

Last year the state's Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) ruled in favor of placing the substation at the City Yards. However, the final ruling came with some provisos. According to the state board the EFSB vote to approve the substations and 115 kV underground cables in Eastie, Chelsea and Everett came with some conditions. The EFSB directed Eversource to enter into discussions with the

City of Boston regarding the possible relocation of the new substation and the related cable on the Chelsea Creek site.

"We are here to deliver more than 700 postcards to Mayor Martin Walsh from local residents and environmental organization," said local environmentalist John Walkey who works with Chelsea-based Green Roots. Green Roots is an environmental justice organization that works on environmental issues on the Eastie and Chelsea sides of the creek. "The residents

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Gove Street Citizens Association votes in favor of Lubec Street project

By John Lynds

The Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) voted 9 to 5 Monday night in favor of approving a six-unit building with three parking spaces on a vacant lot at 66 Lubec St.

Attorney for the developer, Richard Lynds, said this was his client's second appearance before the GSCA and he has tweaked the project slightly after that meeting and a meeting with the abutters sponsored by the city's Office of

Neighborhood Services.

Lynds said that the project will consist of a four-story, six-unit condo building that will offer homeownership opportunities in the neighborhood.

The building will be a mix of micro units that are under 1,000 sq. ft. as well as studio units on the lower floors. There will also be one two-bedroom unit and one three-bedroom unit on the upper floors.

Since the first meeting and

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Attorney Richard Lynds pitches his client's proposed project for 66 Lubec St. to GSCA members Monday night. The project was approved by the GSCA.

Walsh outlines plan for Eastie's shores

By John Lynds

During his speech before the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce last week, Mayor Martin Walsh unveiled his vision to invest in Boston's waterfront to protect neighborhoods like East Boston and its residents, homes, jobs, and infrastructure against the impacts of rising sea levels and climate change.

During his speech Walsh said he would rather spend \$160 million today through his new initiative, "Resilient Boston Harbor," by building sea walls and natural barriers to make Eastie more resilient to flooding in order to prevent \$450 million in damages in the future.

During last winters two Nor'easters, the Boston Harbor had risen over the neighborhood's longstanding sea walls and flooded waterfront development like Portside at Pier One along Eastie's shores. The flood waters also flowed into Liberty Plaza, the

Mario Umana Academy and stormwater filled the East Boston Greenway.

"Climate change is something that impacts everything we do in our city: all of our plans and policies, every sector of our economy, safety and quality of life in all our neighborhoods," said Walsh. "We must do all that we can to prevent climate change and prepare for its impact. We're not just planning for the next storm we will face - we're planning for storms the next generation will face."

Walsh's Resilient Boston Harbor uses the City's Climate Ready Boston 2070 flood maps and coastal resilience neighborhood studies to focus on Boston's most vulnerable flood pathways.

The strategies laid out in the plan include elevated landscapes, enhanced waterfront parks, flood resilient buildings, and revitalized and increased connections and access to the waterfront.

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Developer files PNF for Mount Carmel project

By John Lynds

Developers Timothy White and Richard Egan officially filed an expanded Project Notification Form (PNF) with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) earlier this month for the Mount Carmel Church project. The filing kicks off the Article 80 Large Project review community process and public comment period that will end on Tuesday, Nov. 6, (comments can be sent to www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/frankfort-gove-street-housing-project#comment_Form).

Prior to the end of the Public Comment Period the BPDA will host two community meetings on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at and again on Monday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. at the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center Training Institute, 250 Sumner St.

According to the developer's PNF filing, White and

Egan plan to take the shuttered former Catholic Church, the adjoining rectory, the convent across from the church and the large vacant lot on Frankfort Street that was once owned by the Boston Archdiocese and create approximately 120,430 sq. ft. of residential space and about 22,140 sq. ft. of open space.

In total the project will include 112 units and 84 parking spaces, 71 of which are located in a below-grade garage. Thirteen of the 84 parking spaces will be located off Lubec Street in a new landscaped lot as part of the project.

The renovated Mount Carmel Church building will include 14 residential units.

The existing rectory and convent buildings will be razed and the vacant Frankfort Street parcel

will include the construction of a new building that includes 98 condominium units.

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Coyotes sightings on the rise in Eastie

By John Lynds

Orient Heights resident Lou Scapicchio was heading into work one morning and while driving down St. Andrews Road noticed what looked like a stray dog casually walking down the street.

However, what he thought was a German Shepard at first was in fact an Eastern Coyote. The coyote was walking along the sidewalk, stopping along the way every few seconds to check out its surroundings and zigzagging in and out of driveways of the homes that line St. Andrews.

Scapicchio pulled out his phone and snapped a picture of the animal and posted a warning to his neighbors on Facebook, many of whom let their small dogs roam freely in the backyards of Orient Heights.

“It was cool to see,” said Scapicchio. “However, I know that many of my neighbors have small dogs and let them out in the backyard in the morning so I wanted to alert people to this coyote’s presence in the neighborhood.”

Coyote sightings are nothing new in Eastie and many have spotted the majestic animals in and around Orient Heights because several coyotes are known to call the Belle Isle Marsh and Suffolk Downs home.

However, the sightings are becoming more frequent and no longer confined to the neighborhoods around the Marsh or Suffolk Downs.

Over the summer coyotes have not only been spotted in Orient Heights, but along the East Boston Greenway, the former Savio Field and, in a few rare cases, walking along Webster Street in Jeffries



A picture of an Eastern Coyote that was taken by East Boston resident Lou Scapicchio last week on St. Andrews Road.

Point several miles from the Marsh and Suffolk Downs.

While it seems the coyote population here may be on the rise as more green space is created and protected in the neighborhood the Department of Conservation and Recreation is trying to educate residents on the animals and potential risks.

According to a flyer recently produced by DCR and circulated in the neighborhood the Eastern Coyote as a mostly solitary animal outside of the breeding season. However they may be in small groups called packs. During the breeding season, or after pups are born, animals may be very territorial or even aggressive if their young are approached too closely. These coyotes are most active at dawn and dusk or after dark, times when they will have the least amount of human interaction, so seeing them early in the morning does not mean they a rabid or more dangerous.

The Eastern Coyote is an opportunistic hunter, which means it will take a wide variety of prey. That said, most

animals feed predominantly on small rodents, fruit and berries, rabbits, birds, frogs and insects. Coyotes will scavenge on animal remains, including road-kills, as well as garbage and pet food left out doors.

However, the DCR warns that In urban settings, small domestic house pets left unattended or unleashed in open areas may also fall victim to coyotes.

“Coyotes do not view dogs as “friends” or even as a similar species, but rather something invading its territory or even a possible food source,” the DCR warns. “It is important to always keep your pet on a leash.”

The DCR also warns that it is important to give these animals space when you encounter them. “Coyotes are beautiful to look at but are wild animals and should not be approached,” warns the DCR. “Feeding Coyotes is almost always a death sentence for the animal. Feeding them creates a false sense of trust in humans,often resulting in animals following people around for handouts. This type of behavior would typically result in the coyote being put down by wildlife officers. Coyotes are not dogs,and should not be treated as such.”

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or Martin Walsh’s office.

Walsh’s support for the billboard shocked some residents considering his tough stance on billboards in Dorchester when he served in the House of Representatives. Several years ago Walsh was part an effort to bring MBTA billboards under municipal control saying, “It is important for there to be municipal approval (for billboards) in order to ensure that the character of our neighborhoods is not diminished”.

Also shocking was the fact that the when the ZBA rejected the proposal last year ‘without prejudice’. The ZBA’s vote last year was suppose to allegedly reset the process and Goldberg should have come back before the community before going back before the ZBA for vote.

All these arguments fell on deaf ears at last week’s ZBA hearing. While City Councilor Lydia Edwards asked the board for a deferral until a community meeting was held the billboard project was pushed through despite community opposition.

Since it was first proposed the billboard has been met with controversy in the neighborhood. Logan Communications presented their plan at several Orient Heights Neighborhood Council (OHNC) meetings in 2016 and 2017.

At each meeting, members expressed their opposition to Logan Communication’s plans to erect the billboard on the Hilton Garden Inn’s property along McClellan Highway.

Members of the Impact Advisory Group (IAG) that oversaw the permitting and construction of the Hilton Garden Inn were on hand at each meeting to remind OHNC members of Hilton’s agree-

ment with the community to not place any ‘large signage’ or ‘billboards’ whether it was the Hilton brand or not on the property.

Berninger, who was appointed by then Boston Mayor Thomas Menino to the Hilton IAG, led the charge at each meeting. She told OHNC members of the IAG’s position in the past and the agreement made between the neighborhood and Hilton years ago.

Logan Communications countered opposition by saying the billboard would result in several community benefits. One community benefit touted was Logan Communication’s agreement with the priests that oversee the Madonna Shrine to conduct regular landscaping to clean up the Madonna Shrine Hill along McClellan Highway.

At last week’s ZBA meeting several non-profit agencies like the Salesian Boys & Girls Club and Crossroads Family Shelter spoke in favor of the billboard because of Goldberg’s commitment to advertise the agencies on the new billboards. Goldberg, who owns numerous high profile billboards in the community, has also contributed tens of thousands of dollars over the years to some of these local organizations.

However, those in opposition note that Logan Communication would be required under state law to give 15 hours per month to local organizations and nonprofits as well as public service messages like Amber Alerts.

They also pointed out that the OHNC letter of support for the billboard that was again presented to the ZBA last week ahead of the vote was tainted and did not paint a clear picture of the actual vote

last year.

While the OHNC voted 38 to 28 in favor of placing the billboard last year, the council’s then president Joseph Ruggiero admitted the vote did not reflect the actual will of the people.

At the meeting in which the vote was taken, Ruggiero explained to members that many abutters allowed to vote on a development project on Horace Street might have mistakenly voted on the billboard even though they were not eligible to vote. OHNC allows residents who have attended two of the last three meetings to submit a secret ballot. Abutters to a project are also allowed to vote.

However, both the billboard and Horace Street development were placed on the same ballot and Ruggiero said at the time the high vote for the billboard when they were not eligible to do so.

“There was a process through which the property owner (Hilton) made a commitment not to erect large signage,” said Berninger. “The city’s own moratorium on billboards should be upheld. The way the vote transpired at the OHNC was part of the acrimony that the proponents caused. It’s always helpful to remember history. The proponent already has a large presence of billboards in East Boston through which they earn significant revenue. It’s good business for them to give back to the community. It’s bad form for them to continue to ignore the IAG and the stated opposition at the OHNC meetings. Questionable voting (at OHNC) also did not help the process.”

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The project was supported recently by members of the Eagle Hill Civic Association (EHCA). EHCA members worked for months on the project’s design, scale and mitigation to local non-profit organizations.

The building will feature 18 condominium units, made up of 16 market-rate units and two affordable units under Boston’s Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP). In addition, the building will also

have one ground floor commercial unit. There will be eight off-street garage parking spaces located at-grade level. Bicycle storage and a trash/recycling room will be located within the ground-level of the building. The 18 condominium units will consist of a mix of four studio units, 11 one-bedroom units, two two-bedroom units, and one three-bedroom unit.

MG2 has committed \$10,000 contributions to both the East Boston Social Centers and the East Boston Greenway. The East Boston Social Centers contribution will be used to fund youth athletic and enrichment programs, while the East Boston Greenway contribution will be used to fund construction and improvements.

The building would be a modern design with large windows and a mix of metal and wood materials.

According to the BPDA, the project will create about 40 construction jobs.

The second project the BPDA approved was just down the street from the first at 425 Border St.

There the developer plans to replace an existing auto repair shop with a five story, 16 condo unit building with 16 off-street parking spaces. Two of the 16 units will be affordable IDP units.

All 16 units will be two bedroom units. The project is located five blocks from Central Square and less than one mile from the MBTA’s Blue Line Maverick Station, and is well served by multiple bus lines operating in Eastie.

Again the developer has committed \$10,000 contributions to both the East Boston Social Centers and the East Boston Greenway.

The project includes a more modern design than what EHCA members are usually support. However, while the project is in the Eagle Hill Historic District the developer plans on making the building a blend of modern and more traditional since it borders historic homes at the transition between the historic district and more industrial area of Border Street.

This project, according to the BPDA, will create 50 construction jobs.

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Project Description:
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COMMUNITY NEWS

EAGLE HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION OCTOBER MEETING

The Eagle Hill Civic Association will hold its October Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at East Boston High School inside the cafeteria.

The agenda is as follows:

- * Station 7 Update: Officer Danny Simons & Sgt. Jim Martin
- * Suffolk Downs Update: HYM CEO Tom O'Brien
- * Lorene Schettino, Esq.: 308 Paris St. Extend living space into the basement and add a roof deck VOTE
- * Andrea Nuciforo, Berkshire Roots: 253 Meridian St. Retail store for cannabis both medicinal & adult recreational VOTE

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EAST BOSTON TECH MEETUP

The purpose of the East Boston Tech Meetup is to build a community of people currently working in tech or those aspiring to move into a tech career who live or work in East Boston. These meetings will be held in the heart of Maverick Landing conveniently located steps from the Maverick T station, in the Maverick Landing Meeting House at 31 Liverpool Street.

GRACE CHURCH NEWS POSTED

Grace Church Federated is a United Church of Christ and Episcopal church located at 760 Saratoga Street, East Boston. All are welcome. Please join us for our Sunday morning service at 9:30 a.m., followed by a coffee hour. We also have a Food Pantry open to all East Boston residents, every Saturday from 10:00 – Noon. For additional information regarding our church services or food pantry, please visit our website: gracechurch-eastie.org

SOCIAL CENTERS SENIOR LUNCH

If you are age 65+, The East Boston Social Centers at 68 Central Square in East Boston has a table and a meal waiting for you. The Senior Lunch Program Sponsored by Kit Clark Senior Services provides a hot, nutritious lunch along with wonderful socialization Monday through Friday, 11:30 am until 1:00 pm. A suggested donation of \$2.00 is asked.

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EAST BOSTON SOCIAL CENTER'S SENIOR PROGRAM NOW OFFERING SPANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

The Senior Program at the East Boston Social Centers is now offering Spanish Language Classes for adults over 60 years old. Classes are held every Wednesday at 10am in Room 209. All are welcome to attend. Class is taught by Mr. Montaro. No need to register, just come by on Wednesday at 10am for this fun class. The East Boston Social Centers is located at 68 Central Square.

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Countdown to Kindergarten Playgroups
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Parent-child playgroup for children 1-5 years old. Moms, dads, grandparents and other caregivers are welcome!
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Senior Social Club,
Monday, October 29th from 1-3:30p.m.
Join us for a new club at the East Boston Branch Library. Make new friends and meet old ones over a cup of coffee, some snacks and some fun activities. Some of the activities that will be offered are film screenings, games, dancing, and book discussion.

Halloween Dance Party
Tuesday, October 30th, 10:30-11:30 am.
Let's Boo-gie! Wear your Halloween costume and come dance with us to silly songs. For ages 5 and under, accompanied by an adult. Groups welcome.

Score Boston Workshop: Starting Your Own Food Business: What You Need to Know

Thursday, October 25th at 6 p.m.

In this workshop, you will learn initial steps to take in starting your own restaurant or food-service related business. The workshop will address not only the basics of starting a business of this type, but also many important do's and don'ts of undertaking a very rewarding but sometimes risky, start-up of a food business. To register, visit: <http://events.r20.constant-contact.com/register/event?llr=pwjaircab&oeidk=a07ef-pa8cfgd15ae369>

Meet Julia Child!
Monday, Nov. 5th at 6 p.m.
Meet Julia Child! - the beloved French Chef. A live performance featuring Lynne Moulton as Julia Child doing what she did best. Learn more about her life – from her privileged childhood in California when she had no interest in food, except for eating what the family's private chef prepared – to becoming one of the culinary legends of all time. The audience will have the opportunity to view Julia on the set of The French Chef television show, an amusing and fun experience! After the performance, the cast will open up for discussion regarding Julia Child. Sponsored by the Friends of the East Boston Branch Library.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

Mayor Martin J. Walsh, Boston Police Department District Seven-East Boston, BCYF Paris Street Community Center & East Boston Harborside Community School Council invite you to a Halloween Celebration

Friday, October 26, 2018, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the BCYF Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris Street, East Boston. For All Children; Parents are Welcome!

There will be costumes, barn yard animals, hot dogs, giveaways, music and much more!!!!

The event is sponsored by: Boston Police Athletic/Activities League (PAL), Boston Police Department District Seven-East Boston and Kayem Foods, Inc.

A special thanks to the BCYF Paris Street Community Center, East Boston Harborside Community School Council and Boston Police Department District Seven-East Boston.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Meetings	Friend of the East Boston Greenway Fourth Thursday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center, 395 Maverick St.
Harbor View Neighborhood Association First Monday of every month 6:30 p.m. at the Edward Brooke Charter School, 145 Byron St.	Central Square Flats Civic Association Third Wednesday of every month 7 p.m. at Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris St.
Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association Second Monday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club, 565 Sumner St.	Gove Street Citizens Association Fourth Monday of every month 6:30 p.m. at the Noddle Island Community Room, Logan Rental Car Center
Orient Heights Neighborhood Association Third Monday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at Ashley Street YMCA, 54 Ash-ley St.	Eagle Hill Civic Association Last Wednesday of every month 7 p.m. at East Boston High School Cafeteria, 86 White St.

Councilors Wu and O'Malley file local wetlands protection ordinance

Boston City Councilor At-Large Michelle Wu and District City Councilor Matt O'Malley announced that they filed an ordinance at the City Council meeting aimed at strengthening the City's ability to fight climate change and reasonably regulate development. The Local Wetlands Protection Ordinance would empower the Boston Conservation Commission to require green infrastructure with new development, including protections for urban wetlands, which are an important natural resource to manage flooding and reduce urban heat island effect.

"Boston must take bolder, faster, more proactive steps to mitigate and manage our vulnerability to changing weather and intensifying storms," said the lead sponsor Councilor Wu. "Nearly every other coastal municipality in Massachusetts has already gone beyond the state baselines for protecting urban wetlands and natural resources, and we must do the same. These land resources are too valuable to lose to development—they're important not just for conservation, but to guard against severe flooding and heat that disproportionately harm our most vulnerable residents and communities. This is an issue of social and environmental justice."

"It is imperative to codify preservation efforts for local wetlands in the City of Boston as a coastal municipality. As we address the impacts of global climate change, we must explore measures to ensure our urban environment landscape is preserved," said Councilor O'Malley, who is Chairman of the Environment, Sustainability and Parks Committee. "The ordinance will further the protections of wetlands, as well as the plants and wildlife that grow in them."

Boston is currently one of only three coastal municipalities in the Commonwealth without a local wetlands protection ordinance. Boston has 209 wetlands areas distributed throughout the City, including areas in each City Council district. The legislation comes out of an initial hearing sponsored by Councilor Wu and chaired by Councilor O'Malley in August 2018 with representatives from advocacy groups and the City's Environment Department. Tomorrow's proposed ordinance will be assigned to the City Council's Committee on Government Operations for a hearing and next steps.

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Next week, many neighborhoods will become magical places as thousands of children dressed in all types of costumes will descend on the streets in search of candy and treats.

Likewise, residents will not only decorate their houses in scary Halloween themes with spiders and ghosts and a few witches thrown in just for luck, but also have neighbors and friends over to celebrate the night.

And all the while, thousands of pieces of candy will be given out to the children.

With no rain being forecast and temperatures predicted to be in the 50s, next Wednesday night promises to be perfect both for those giving the candy and those receiving it.

Here are some tips for a safe night of fun:

1. Plan your trick-or-treat route before you leave, and show the kids where you will be going.
2. Double check any costumes with masks to make sure kids can see clearly.
3. Use reflective tape on dark costumes.
4. Carry a flashlight or glow stick.
5. Only visit houses with porch lights on.
6. Make sure all kids know under no circumstances should they enter a home!
7. If your child has an identification card (school ID, etc) make sure to bring it along.
8. Make sure an adult is with anyone under 16 (if older kids are going in a group, set a time for them to be home, or follow them at a safe, but not embarrassing distance).
9. Remind your kids to stay out of the streets.
10. Be on the lookout for cars when crossing. Sometimes, it is hard for drivers to see you!
11. Check all candy and treats before eating (bring some candy from home, so the kids can snack before you inspect).

Sitting on the steps and giving out the candy, one cannot help but get into the spirit and fun of Halloween and remember Halloweens of long ago when one would dress up and anxiously wait to get their candy.

Halloween is the night that is still most like those days of our youth where many of the modern gadgets just are not needed. The best costumes are always the ones with the scariest mask.

As one sits on steps wondering do I sample the candy and then should I really eat this candy with all the calories, these lines will certainly come to mind:

*Backward turn backward
O' time in thy flight
And make me a boy just for tonight
Have a happy and safe Halloween.*

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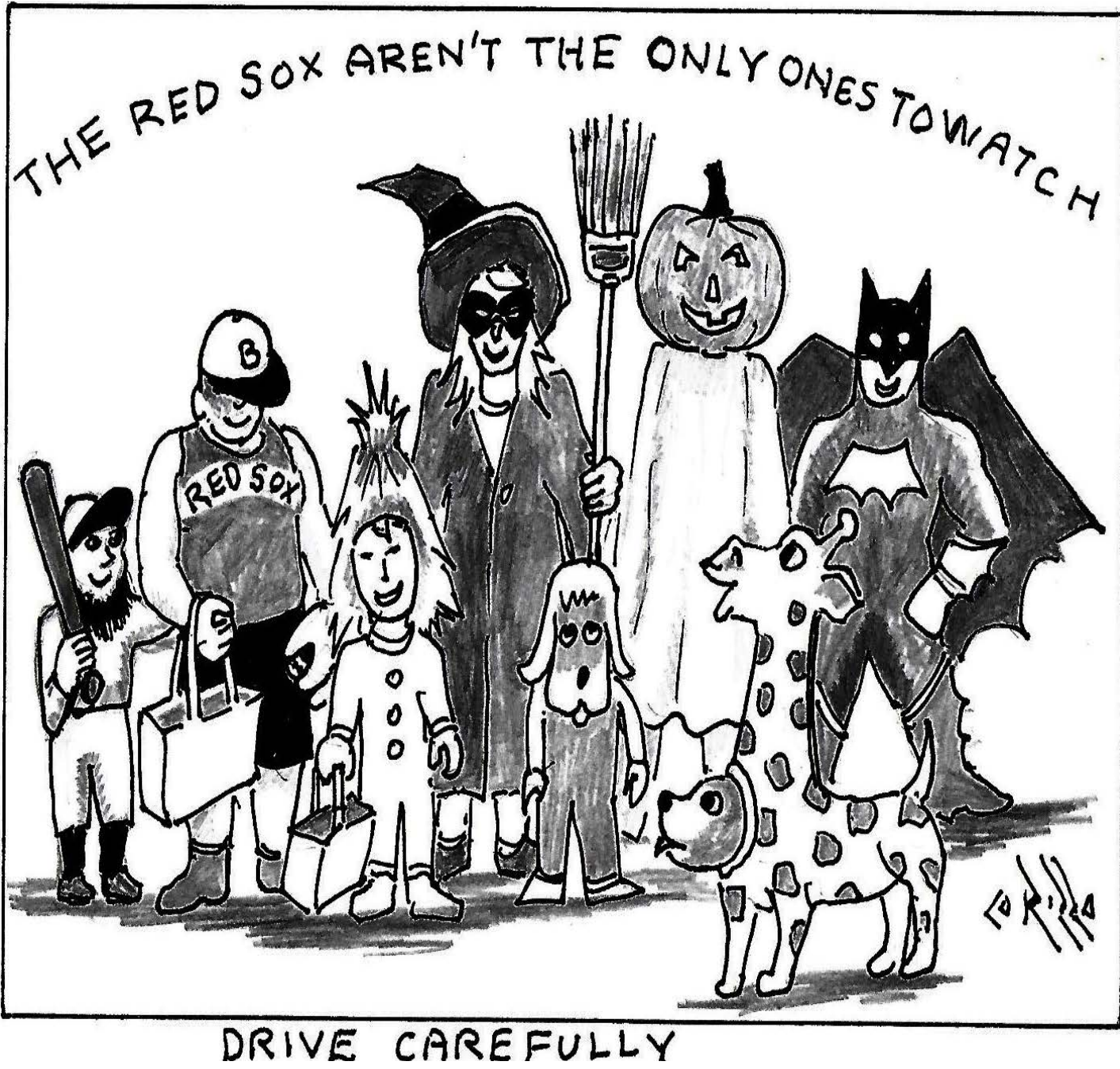
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GUEST OP-ED

Three reasons to vote 'No' on Question 1

By Debbie Burke

Because I'm a nurse, and I work in a hospital, I'm asked every day how I feel about Question 1. I'm beyond concerned. I'm scared—for patients and nurses—and I'm voting "No." Question 1 highlights an important topic, but it is a dangerous approach to something as vital as our healthcare.

Question 1 is confusing. There are bedside nurses for and bedside nurses against. Everyone on both sides wants quality care and safe staffing. The difference lies in how we make that happen. Question 1 proposes fixed nurse-to-patient staffing ratios for every type of patient care unit (e.g., General Medical, Emergency). These exact same ratios would be required by law throughout every hospital in Massachusetts, at all times and under all circumstances.

If the prescribed ratios aren't met, a fine of up to \$25,000 would be assessed per incident, per day.

It sounds simple. A closer look reveals many unintended consequences.

First, nurses should make decisions about patient care, not the government. On the same care unit, a patient just out of surgery has very different needs than a patient who is stable and sitting up waiting for a ride home. Yet ratios prescribe the same level of care. It doesn't make sense. Nurses at the bedside are uniquely-skilled and highly trained to manage each patient's individual needs, allocate resources, make judgment calls, and triage as needed. They need the flexibility to adjust the plan of care in the moment, based on the changing needs of the patient. Caregiving-by-ratio would replace the judgment and deci-

sion-making of nurses with a government requirement.

Second, there's a hidden domino effect: Patients would have trouble accessing the care they need when they need it. There are not enough qualified nurses within Massachusetts to meet these arbitrary staffing ratios. Without enough nurses to meet these mandated ratios—by law—care units could not accept more patients. Beds would have to lie empty. Patients in the ER would have long waits until a bed opened up. Outside the ER, EMTs would have to wait with their patients until space inside became available. The national shortage of behavioral health and ER nurses makes this all worse. While we grapple with the current opioid crisis, an estimated 1,000 behavioral health beds would close; these hospitals currently have waiting lists.

Third, while we can't put a price on safety, there is a cost. If passed, the estimated price tag on Question 1 is upwards of \$1 billion—every year. Question 1 is unfunded; there is no identified way of paying for it. So this cost will be passed on to all of us as patients, either through higher insurance premiums, increased medical bills, and/or reduced services.

There is more that concerns me about Question 1, much more. If passed, it has the potential to dismantle our healthcare system as we know it. Why would we ever experiment with something that puts us all at risk? Please join me in voting "No" on Question 1.

Debbie Burke, RN, DNP, MBA, grew up and lives in Charlestown, and is senior vice president of patient care and chief nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital.

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The rectory building located at 128-134 Gove Street, and the convent are both compromised structurally and not suitable for human habitation according to current Boston building codes.

According to the filing, the proposed project will provide market-rate and affordable units with a variety of unit sizes and styles to accommodate Eastie's diverse and growing population.

The unit designs will vary and include apartments and lofts. The unit mix for the 112 units will comprise a mix of studio units, one-bedroom or one-bedroom plus den units, and two bedroom units.

Thirteen of the units will be designated as affordable in accordance with the BPDA's Inclusionary Development Policy (IPD).

In the PNF, White and Egan wrote that the former Mount Carmel Church building "will be the cornerstone of this development."

"This will be a respectfully reused converted into spa-

cious loft-style living units that capture the soaring interior spaces and volume of the building," they wrote. "There will be three levels of residential units with the top floor units capturing the currently hidden truss space above the vaulted ceiling. The exterior of the building, including its brick and stone façade, will be restored. It will be sensitively repaired where religious iconography was removed. The front door and side window openings will be lowered to the ground to better connect the building to the street and surrounding landscape."

The developers will also create a reflective outdoor space along the widened sidewalks at the corner of Frankfort and Gove Streets that honors Mount Carmel's history.

On the vacant lot the developers plan to erect a building that mirrors the brick row houses along Frankfort Street. The four-story structure will extend along Frankfort Street and articulate as individu-



Artist renderings of the proposed Mount Carmel Church project. Developers Timothy White and Richard Egan officially filed an expanded Project Notification Form (PNF) with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) earlier this month for the Mount Carmel Church project.

al row houses with separate, raised entrances and planter boxes. The fourth floor will contain setbacks for private deck space while reducing the massing along Frankfort Street.

This design was in response to many residents at past meetings not liking the modern design of some of the buildings. The original design included a mix of glass and

other materials, but residents asked the developer to consider replicating the architectural styles of the turn of the 20th Century brick buildings along Frankfort Street.

The developers will also construct a six-story building at the corner of Frankfort and Gove streets that will replace the existing convent.

White and Egan purchased the property in 2015 for \$3 million.

PARIS STREET COMMUNITY CENTER
TAKES PART IN AN INTERNATIONAL EVENT

DAY OF THE GIRL



City Councilor Lydia Edwards poses for a photo with the Paris Street Community Center's girls, staff and administrators.

Thursday, October 11, was the International Day of the Girl celebration across the globe. At the Paris Street Community Center, the staff held a special celebration that included highlighting young girls' and women's achievements throughout the

decades, as well as a visit from City Councilor Lydia Edwards. International Day of the Girl is an opportunity to highlight girls worldwide as leaders and change makers, in spite of the barriers they continue to face because of their gender. But we can't

just think about the world's girls once a year on October 11. Ending poverty and achieving gender equality will only be possible if we pay attention to the needs of girls every day — and invest to make sure they're met.

JOHN LYND'S PHOTOS



Girls from the Paris Street Community Center are asked to look in the mirror and imagine what they could become one day.



City Councilor Lydia Edwards talks with Paris Street Community Center members during the International Day of the Girl celebration.



Girls from the Paris Street Community Center look on as Jackie Vasquez talks about the role young girls have played in the world.



City Councilor Lydia Edwards stopped by to participate in the International Day of the Girl celebration at the Paris Street Community Center. Paris Street raised over \$750 for She's the First fund through a bake sale and raffle.



Alexia Piazza answers questions about some of the young girls highlighted at the Paris Street Community Center during the International Day of the Girl celebration.



Jackie Vasquez, Sophia Buonopane, and Danaya Holland.



Jackie Vasquez points out some of the important works young girls have done globally.

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Project Proponent:
HYM Investment Group, Inc.

Project Description:
The HYM Investment Group proposes approximately 10.5 million square feet of development on the approximately 109 acres of the Suffolk Downs site in the City of Boston. The multi-phased proposal will include development of a new mixed-use neighborhood, a 40-acre publicly accessible open space system, and two retail squares at Suffolk Downs and Beachmont stations. The initial project phase will include approximately 1.39 million square feet of development consisting of the Phase 1 Project (520,000 square feet of corporate use and amenity space), three residential buildings, a portion of the townhomes proposed along Waldemar Avenue totaling over 800 housing units and construction of the Horseshoe Pond landscaped wetland enhancements and Belle Isle Square public plaza with over 100,000 square feet of ground floor retail. The focus of this meeting will be transportation.

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and organizations are all asking for the same thing—to meet with the residents from East Boston and Chelsea to hear our concerns about the substation project.”

Walkey argues that the project represents an increased risk in both communities already bearing a huge environmental burden in the region by playing host to Logan International Airport, highways and jet-fuel storage tanks along the Chelsea Creek.

“It’s not really clear if this project is really needed given the current electricity de-

mand data we received from ISO New England (an independent, non-profit Regional Transmission Organization that coordinates, controls, and monitors a multi-state electric grid),” said Walkey. “We feel it is not a wise use of the coastal zone, given what we know about climate change and coastal flooding. This project precludes any other more appropriate use of the waterfront that could be more climate resilient and provide a better benefit to the community.”

Walkey added that Mayor Walsh has been very recep-

tive to the group’s concerns, but while they have met with Walsh administration staffers, they have not met directly with the mayor.

“We are here to bring home this idea that we just want to sit down and talk,” said Walkey. “We are not demanding anything ridiculous. We just want to voice our concerns and have the mayor hear them.”

Another Eastie environmentalist, Sandra Nijjar, said she is concerned about the location proposed because it is adjacent to the American Legion Playground where children play, as well as jet-fuel storage tanks, and the Chelsea Creek.

additional time for Eversource, the City of Boston, and residents to iron out the alternative locations for the substation.

Walsh has maintained that the city is in the process of working with Eversource to ensure the substation is in the best possible location for the residents and businesses in Eastie and those along the Chelsea Creek.

The substation was initially slated to be built on an Eversource-owned parcel on Bremen Street. However, under the former late Mayor Thomas Menino, Boston executed a land swap with Eversource. Eversource have the City of Boston the Bremen Street parcel so the city could build the new East Boston Branch Library in return for a city-owned parcel in East Eagle Square.



Environmentalists from East Boston and Chelsea gathered at Boston City Hall to deliver 700 postcards to Boston Mayor Martin Walsh asking for the mayor to meet with residents on both sides of the Chelsea Creek to discuss the Eversource Substation.



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Eastie resident Paul Shoaf Kozak echoed Nijjar’s concerns. Shoaf Kozak lives across from the proposed substation and said from an environmental standpoint, it makes no sense.

“I can testify that this past winter the streets around the substation flooded twice,” he said. “Condor Street, which runs perpendicular to the proposed substation, flooded two times during last winter’s blizzards. The elevation of the proposed substation is only 11 feet above sea-level so it doesn’t take a mathematician to figure out this could cause a potentially hazardous and very dangerous situation during a flooding event. We are requesting that the mayor simply hear our concerns and include the community in the decision of where to place the substation.”

As part of its decision the EFSB also directed Eversource to provide an update to the board on the status of discussions between the community and city before construction on the substation commences. This has given



Local environmentalists outside Boston City Hall Wednesday protesting the proposed Eversource Substation along the Chelsea Creek.

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REP. MADARO HOSTS FIRST ANNUAL EVENT AT KO PIES

FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL



Rep. Adrian Madaro joins in on some pumpkin decorating.



A mother and daughter work together painting a pumpkin. There were balloon animals, pumpkin decorating, face painting, lawn games, and music.

On Saturday Rep. Adrian Madaro held his First Annual Fall Family Festival at KO Pies at the Boston Harbor Shipyard and Marina on Marginal Street. Whether you are new to East Boston, or you've been here for decades, the Fall Family Festival had something for everyone. There were balloon animals, pumpkin decorating, face painting, lawn games, and music. Dozens of Eastie families turned out for the fun event.

PHOTOS BY JOHN LYNDIS



Rep. Adrian Madaro poses with a family that just finished their pumpkin decorating.



Children decorate pumpkins at Rep. Adrian Madaro's First Annual Fall Family Festival.



Rep. Adrian Madaro plays frisbee with Brody Lynds.



Rep. Adrian Madaro talks with seniors at the event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and his family. From left, his wife, Ariel, Rep. Adrian Madaro, his cousin, Brody Lynds, his mother, Debra Cave and his sister, Lauren Owens.



State Rep. Adrian Madaro, Buddy Mangini and KO Pies owner Sam Jackson.



Melissa Allen, Jason Ruggiero and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



Enzo and Silvana Polcaro during the event.



Damien Margardo, Officer Danny Long and Joe Weddleton.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Jeffries Point families.



Rep. Adrian Madaro poses with an Eastie family.



Rep. Adrian Madaro poses with his wife, Ariel, and Eastie families during the Fall Family Festival.



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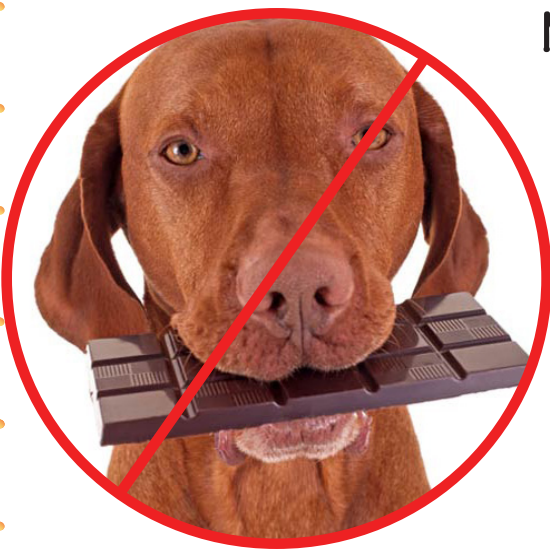
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Get Seasonal with the Grub

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Enjoying the Festivities



Many pet owners love to share the Halloween spirit with their pets.

Here are a few safety tips to keep in mind:

SAFETY FIRST! If you take your pet Trick-or-treating, dress them in reflective clothing. You'll be able to see them better, and so will everyone else! It will be harder for them to run off if they get excited, or get caught in a parade of Trick-or-treaters.

KEEP AN EYE ON CANDY! Chocolate can be deadly to dogs, so make sure your kids know to keep the sweets away from Fido.

Not all candy makes it in the bag either! Keep a lookout to make sure Fido isn't finding any chocolate treats on the ground.

Food can become a problem during Thanksgiving as well. Keep an eye on pets trying to steal from the feast.

Chocolate Poisoning in Dogs

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BUNDLE UP!

Fall will bring chilly days and colder nights. If your pet primarily lives outside, make sure it has a warm place at night. Small pets should also be watched closely during the cold months, and kept as warm as possible. If they will let you, a jacket or sweater is the perfect protection against our New England weather! A sweater will keep them warm, and reduce the chances of them getting wet, and possibly sick.

PESKY PESTS

The fall months are known for all kinds of pests, especially fleas and ticks. Check your pet after coming indoors to make sure they have no hitchhikers. Be careful about where your pets play, and don't let them out of your sight for too long.

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North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra embarks on 71st season

Music Director Robert Lehmann returns from a six-month sabbatical leave to lead the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra in its 71st concert season with a dynamic schedule filled with bold symphonies, stirring concerti, and much more.

Dr. Lehmann himself headlines the list of season soloists when he performs the Brahms Violin concerto in the Orchestra's first concert on Nov. 18.

Dr. Lehmann's sabbatical leave was devoted to learning the concerto, considered by many to be among the top three such masterpieces in classical music history.

Along with Brahms' "first" the Orchestra will add a "7" in a nod to its 71st season when it plays Beethoven's Seventh Symphony also on the November program. Bella Bartok's Romanian Folk Dances rounds out the November 18 program.



Music Director Robert Lehmann will conduct the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra beginning Nov. 18 at Swampscott High School.

During the holiday season, the NSPO will travel to St. Anthony's Church in Revere on Dec. 2, and then St. Richard's Church in Danvers on Dec. 9 to play two Christ-

mas-themed concerts. Admission to both concerts is free but patrons are asked to bring a generous donation of non-perishable food to benefit local food pantries.

The NSPO's regular season resumes Feb. 17, 2019, when trumpet soloist Joseph Foley plays the Hummel Trumpet concerto on a program that also features Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances" and Robert Shumann's Symphony No. 4.

The Orchestra's "Spring" Concert on April 14, 2019 features Dmitri Shostakovich Ninth Symphony, along with music of Haydn, Gounod, and Balcolm.

The regular season concerts are held in Swampscott High School Auditorium at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$30 at the door, \$25 for seniors and students, and children 12 and under are admitted free. A season subscription for all three concerts is available for the discounted price of \$75. Complete ticket and concert information is available on the internet at www.nspo.org.

DISTRICT SEVEN POLICE REPORT

Monday, Oct. 1, 2018

Around 6:15 AM in the area of 246 Bremen St., a 25 year old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery
Around 3:25 PM in the area of 70 Trenton St., a 26 year old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery, Dangerous Weapon

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2018

No Arrests

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018

Around 5:00 PM in the area of Sumner Tunnel, an 18 year old Black Male with a Roxbury, MA address was arrested for Assault & Battery by Means of a Dangerous Weapon, Buying, Receiving or Concealing Stolen Goods and Operating M/V without a License

Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018

No Arrests

Friday, Oct. 5, 2018

No Arrests

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018

Around 12:40 PM in the area of 645 Bennington St., a 35 year old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery on a Police Officer (injuries), Assault & Battery, and Destruction or Injury of Personal Property

Sunday, Oct. 7, 2018

Around 12:30 AM in the area of 945 Saratoga St., a 29 year old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Operating M/V without a License

Around 7:00 AM in the area of 298 Meridian St., a 28 year old Hispanic Male with a Dorchester, MA address was arrested for disturbing the Peace & Trespassing

Sunday, Oct. 7, 2018 (continued)

Around 9:50 AM in the area of 69 Paris St., a 61 year old Black Male with a Chelsea, MA address was arrested for Assault & Battery, Dangerous Weapon and Assault & Battery (injuries)

Monday, Oct. 8, 2018

Around 6:00 PM in the area of 450 Bennington St., a 39 year old Black Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Distribution of Class B, Drugs and Failure to stop

Monday, Oct. 15, 2018

No Arrest

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2018

Around 5:30 AM in the area of 22 Murray Ct., a 23 year old Black Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery, Dangerous Weapon

Around 7:15 PM in the area of 69 Paris St., a 39 year old White Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery, Felony Section

Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2018

Around 12:00 PM in the area of 14 Maverick Sq, a 64

year old White Male with a Boston, MA address was arrested for Buying, Receiving or Concealing Stolen Goods

Around 2:30 PM in the area of Maverick St. & Havre St., a 20 year old White Female with an East Boston address was arrested for Larceny Warrant

Around 6:30 PM in the area of 50 Lewis St., a 36 year old Black Male with a Boston, MA address was arrested for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol.

Thursday, Oct. 18, 2018

Around 1:50 PM in the area of 35 Neptune Circle, a 42 year old Black Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault with Intent to Murder, Assault & Battery by means of a Dangerous Weapon (knife)

Around 6:45 PM in the area of 77 Princeton St., a 31 year old Hispanic Male with a Worcester, MA address was arrested for Assault & Battery Felony Section

Around 10:50 PM in the area of 44 Border St., a 48 year old White Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery

Friday, Oct. 19, 2018

Around 1:20 AM in the area of 77 Princeton St., a 53 year old Hispanic Female with a Worcester, MA address was arrested for Assault & Battery, Threats, Assault Dangerous Weapon

Around 10:00 PM in the area of 5 Monmouth St. a 45 year old White Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Operating M/V Without a License, Operation after Revocation or Suspension

Around 11:30 PM in the area of Sumner St. & Bremen St., a 27 year old Hispanic Female with an East Boston address was arrested for Operating a M/V Without a License

Around 5:18 PM in the area 246 Border St., a 41 year old White Male with a Boston, MA address was arrested for Disorderly Conduct, Other and Trespassing

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018

Around 4:30 PM in the area of 56 Havre St., a 33 year old Hispanic Male with an Everett, MA address was arrested for Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol, Negligent Operation of a M/V

Around 8:00 PM in the area of 47 Meridian St., a 42 year old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault & Battery

Around 7:55 PM in the area of 119 Sumner St., a 18 year old Black Male with a Mattapan, MA address was arrested for Unlawful Possession of Firearm, Trespassing and Unlawful Possession of Ammunition

Sunday, Oct. 21, 2018

Around 6:45 PM in the area of McClellan Highway & Wordsworth St., a Hispanic Juvenile Male with a Chelsea, MA address was arrested for Receiving Stolen Motor Vehicle.

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PLAN: East Boston

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Advisory Group Nominations

Description

The Boston Planning & Development Agency is looking for nominations for community members to serve on an Advisory Group for East Boston's neighborhood-wide planning initiative, PLAN: East Boston. Together with the community, Advisory Group members will explore issues related to housing, mobility, resilience, open space and neighborhood character. Nominations should include a diverse representation of perspectives in the East Boston community, including renters, owners, local business owners, and members of community-based organizations, as well as those with technical expertise including planners, architects and developers. The nomination form is available at bit.ly/PlanEastBoston and should be submitted by Friday, October 26 at 5pm.

Submissions Due:

Friday, October 26
5:00 PM

Contact:

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Descripción:

La agencia de planificación y desarrollo de Boston esta buscando nominaciones para miembros de la comunidad para servir en un grupo consultivo para la iniciativa de planificación del barrio, PLAN: East Boston. Con la comunidad, los miembros del grupo consultivo explorarán temas relacionados con la vivienda, la movilidad, la adaptación a cambios climáticos, espacio abierto y la característica del barrio. Las nominaciones deben incluir una representación diversa de las perspectivas en la comunidad de East Boston, incluyendo los inquilinos, los dueños, los dueños de negocios locales, los miembros de las organizaciones comunitarias, y también las personas con experiencia técnica como urbanistas, arquitectos y desarrolladores. La forma para nominaciones esta disponible en bit.ly/PlanEastBoston y deben ser entregadas antes del viernes, el 26 de octubre a las 5pm.

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Getting Out

Invisible ‘Harvey’ sheds light on humanity in Salem State University’s production

By Sheila Barth

Seeing Salem State University’s production of Mary Chase’s post World War II comedy, “Harvey,” is worth the cost of admission, merely to admire the Sophia Gordon Center’s theater, marvelous rotating stage, and James J. Fallon’s handsome set.

“Harvey” premiered on Broadway Nov. 1, 1944, and won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1945. Several revivals have followed.

According to research, playwright Mary Chase wrote the play to cheer up her widowed neighbor, who lost her only son in World War II. It also served to cheer up people after the Great War.

And what better way of accomplishing that than to invent a kindly soul with an invisible, 6-foot-31/2-inch pooka, (supernatural being in animal form) - a white rabbit companion - with motley characters, in a comedy of

errors?

The story opens in the library of the Dowd mansion. Elwood P. Dowd, (nicely portrayed by Ted Silva), is kindly, gentlemanly, almost anachronistic, and well-liked. But he’s also very eccentric, which embarrasses his social-climbing sister Veta Louise Simmons (comedic Delaney Jenkins). She’s living with Elwood in the family mansion, along with her single daughter, Myrtle May Simmons (Hannah Cagney). Because 47-year-old bachelor Elwood devoted his life caring for his ailing mother, the dowager left all of her property to him.

“Your Uncle Elwood isn’t living with us; we’re living with him,” a frustrated Veta tells Myrtle May. Both women are equally embarrassed by Elwood’s continuous references and introductions to Harvey. It’s important to them to avoid scandal or embarrassment, because they hope to land Myrtle May a worth-

while marriage prospect.

Elwood is charming, though. He hands out his calling card to whomever he meets and freely invites people to his mansion for dinner, whether it’s a disgruntled cabbie, EJ Lofgren (Anthony White), or a female magazine solicitor on the phone. Lofgren later is pivotal to Elwood’s future.

In the opening scene, Veta is hosting an afternoon tea with the upper crust Ladies Forum, and is interviewed via telephone by the top society reporter. She becomes horrified when Elwood shows up earlier than she expected. She’s afraid to have him mingle with her guests because of his odd behavior. And when stuffy family friend, Mrs. Ethel Chauvenet (Mary Sapp) comes to visit, she can’t wait to get away from Elwood after he introduces her to invisible Harvey.

Veta is fed up, embarrassed by Elwood’s behavior

and wants him committed to a sanitarium. During her interview with the sanitarium’s Dr. Lyman Sanderson (Tristan Burke), Veta becomes so hysterical while describing Harvey, the doctor thinks she’s crazy and orders her to be committed instead.

When Sanderson realizes his mistake and his boss, Dr. William Chumley (Xander Viera), noted psychiatrist and head of the sanitarium, orders Veta’s release, she enlists help from longtime family friend, lawyer and judge, Omar Gaffney (Christopher Raul Vega). She wants him to sign Elwood’s commitment papers and sue Chumley for \$50K.

Betty Chumley, (Becky Jo Roland), wife of Dr. Chumley becomes pivotal by inadvertently mentioning Elwood was at the sanitarium earlier, seeking Harvey- further proof of the doctors’ error.

Besides charming Betty, Elwood’s debonair with the sanitarium’s sexy Nurse Kel-

BOX OFFICE

Salem State University’s (SSU) Theater Arts Dept. features Mary Chase’s two-act, 21/4-hour comedy, “Harvey,” through Oct. 28, in the Sophia Gordon Center, 356 Lafayette St., Salem: Thursdays-Saturdays, 7:30 p.m.; Sundays. 2 p.m.\$20/\$15/under 18, free.salemstatetickets.com, salemstate.edu/arts,978-542-6365.

ly (Olivia Avery), who has a crush on Sanderson, who’s smitten with her.

Chumley’s longtime, devoted, burly hospital orderly Duane Wilson (Mike Ragone) does his heavy work, capturing patients and preparing them for treatment. But when Wilson invades the Dowd mansion to get Elwood, he develops a flirtation with Myrtle May.

Later, though, Chumley ends up drinking with Elwood, and he suddenly sees the light regarding Harvey.

Tension builds and erupts when Elwood agrees to take an injection that will make

him “a normal person” and Lofgren spells out that decision’s consequences.

What to do?

And what about Harvey?

The theater’s light and sound effects enhance the mystery.

During this Halloween season, and Salem’s distinction as the Halloween capital of the world, SSU’s theater arts department chose the right time to show this paranormal-tinged play. Remember, Elwood didn’t seek out Harvey. Harvey found Elwood, and also latched onto Dr. Chumley. Be careful. He may find you, too.

MY STATION IN LIFE

By Sheila Barth

In the world premiere of Ken Riaf’s 100-minute, one-act play, “My Station in Life,” at Gloucester Stage Company, he called himself a classical music disc jockey, the Voice of Cape Ann, 104.9. He started his own radio broadcasting station, commercial free. Simon Geller, who ran his 24-hour program out of his 2 Duncan St., Gloucester apartment, didn’t have money, but he had integrity and grit.

Geller had his principles and stuck to them - no commercials, no news, local, statewide, global or otherwise, no weather reports. He enjoyed bringing beautiful, soothing music to his listeners and imparting his wealth of knowledge about each song. The irascible, single Geller had a longtime love, but declared he

didn’t make enough money to marry her.

Starring in Gloucester author Ken Riaf’s play, which ended Oct. 28, accomplished veteran actor Ken Balin delivers an electrifying portrayal of “the last standing, single-handed radio operator in the country, who subsisted on donations from listeners and supporters, which Geller solicited at least once an hour on-air.

Whether or not some of Riaf’s pithy dialogue is authentic, it gives a colorful portrayal of the crusty, unbending Geller.

Directed by Gloucester Stage Company’s talented, veteran actor-director, artistic director Robert Walsh, Balin and supporting cast- veteran actors James “Jimmy” Taranino and Veronica Anastasio Wiseman portraying satellite

roles, and Youth Company rising star Meagan Gallo as young teen Maris - kept the opening day’s Sunday afternoon audience rapt throughout the non-stop performance.

Set designer Afsoon Pajoufar realistically re-creates Geller’s environs in the 1980s.

Geller’s amply-littered, two room apartment - with overdue rent and dunning owner- has an outside door located on the left side, near theatergoers, that’s littered on the floor, and even more with Geller’s many unopened pieces mail. Geller’s “studio” contains an On Air sign, a red bulb he turns on when broadcasting, his turntables, microphone, etc. B.J. Strachman’s lighting strategically lets us see the diabetic Geller subtly take his insulin, sleep on his cot, eat in his tiny kitchenette, etc., while the play is further

enhanced by Boston-based David Reiffel’s stormy and electronic sound effects and two projected film videos, mostly back and white, located on two sides of the stage, showing authentic folks commenting about Geller. The videos also beam places, stormy seas, thundering rainstorms, and more.

And his roof leaks. “I’ll pay the rent if you fix the leak,” he tells his dunning owner on the phone.

Geller curses at and ignores loud knocking at the door, claiming it’s those “damn kids” taunting him. But sometimes, it isn’t. It’s important visitors with vital news, kind neighbor with food, or

a poignant “donation” from a young girl (Meagan Gallo). Geller’s phone rings incessantly, too, with calls from admirers, detractors, and people who want to revoke Geller’s broadcasting license - and usurp his potentially lucrative station. The FCC also accused Geller of “not serving the community”.

He battled the FCC to retain his license, but while pending appeal, he reluctantly had to insert news and weather tidbits. He cried when he announced a local paid commercial.

Geller won his appeal, but with conditions.

Eventually, he closed his door, slump-shouldered, leav-

ing behind all that was his world -and earning Balin and cast a standing ovation.

A dear former news reporter friend of mine told me she loves classical music and was Geller’s #1 fan. He and his music soothed her during her husband’s long hospital stays, and while she drove to report on nighttime community meetings. “He was an odd guy but we shared the same taste in music- and I used to get a laugh out of him...He was quite a character. I have to get my classical music from WGBH now; and though the announcers are nice, they are far less colorful,” she said.

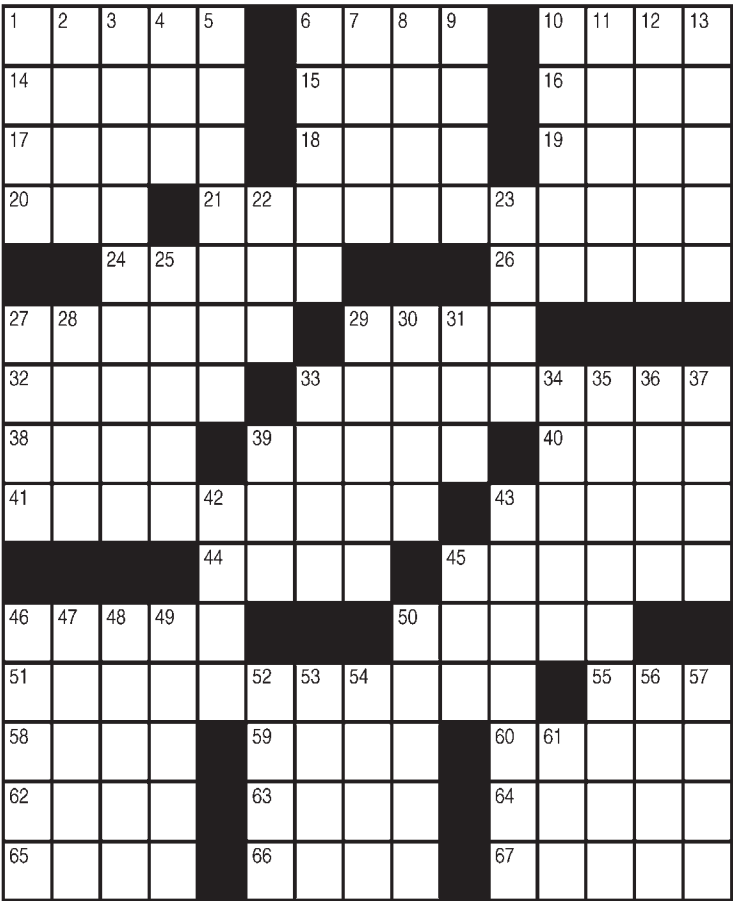
Crossword Puzzle

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- 10 Beaver projects
- 14 Fight venue
- 15 Medley
- 16 Author Connell
- 17 Fringe benefits
- 18 Sell
- 19 Oscar-winner Sorvino
- 20 Pouchlike structure
- 21 Impressive
- 24 Workers’ group
- 26 Speechify
- 27 Interfere with
- 29 Phonograph record
- 32 Wide awake
- 33 Large whale
- 38 Enjoy a novel
- 39 Neuwirth and Daniels
- 40 Greek liqueur
- 41 Hideous
- 43 Teri Garr movie
- 44 River under the Brooklyn Bridge
- 45 Withdraw
- 46 Lacoste and Russo
- 50 Waterproof wool cloth
- 51 Ponderously clumsy
- 55 Holy smokes!
- 58 Pear choice
- 59 Abrupt yank
- 60 Stringed instrument
- 62 As far as
- 63 French friend
- 64 Eighteen-year-old
- 65 Trial
- 66 Crude cross
- 67 Court docket

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- 2 Environs
- 3 Like a mythical strongman
- 4 Press coverage
- 5 Rhythm section member
- 6 Witches’ assembly
- 7 One Baldwin
- 8 Tea flavor
- 9 Soft drink
- 10 Have scruples
- 11 Walled city near Madrid
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- 13 Kind of drum



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- 23 Zany Imogene
- 25 Dweebs
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- 28 Margarine
- 29 First night
- 30 Currier’s partner
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- 33 Gorcey and Durocher
- 34 Crooner Mel
- 35 Extremely large
- 36 Black Sea arm
- 37 Alaska town
- 38 Lingerie buy
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- 43 Battlefield rescue
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- 46 Disprove
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HORROR FILM FESTIVAL

The Halloween capital of the world, Salem, welcomes a new horror film festival at CinemaSalem, consisting of a variety of 16 films, Saturday, Oct. 27, 12:30-11 p.m., in downtown Salem. cinemasalem.com, Instagram, Eventbrite, Facebook, witchcityhorrorfilmfestival.com.

ACE TICKETS EVENTS

The Wombats perform at House of Blues, Boston, Oct. 24, followed by Bo;oe E;osj. Nov. 2; Josh Groban comes to TD

Garden Nov. 9; Emmylou Harris is at the Orpheum, Oct 27; Elvis Costello headlines the Both Center Wang Theatre, Nov. 10; while Marc Anthony performs at the Agganis Arena, Boston, Oct. 25, and Lil Dickey follows, Nov. 7. acetickets.com.

ROCK OF AGES

Fifth Estate Entertainment, the Boch Center and the Madison Square Garden Company present the North American Tour Casting of “Rock of Ages,” with book by Chris D’Arienzo, arrangements and orchestrations

by Ethan Popp, Oct. 23-28 at the Boch Center Wang Theatre, Boston. 800-982-2787 and Ticketmaster.

SALTONSTALL

Punctuate4 recreates the story of Nathaniel Saltonstall, the only judge to recuse himself from the Salem Witch Trials of 1692-4, Nov. 1-4, presenting Michael Cormier and Myriam Cyr’s story: Nov. 1,2, 7:30 p.m.; Nov. 3, at 3,7:30 p.m.; Nov. 4, 3 p.m., at the Chester Hawrylciv Theater, Spurk Bldg.,NECC, 100 Elliott St., Haverhill. punctuate4.org.

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211 Princeton St
863 Saratoga St #3
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

CONDO OWNERS SAY DISCOUNT UNFAIR

CHELSEA – The City Council passed District 6 City Councillor Giovanni Recupero’s measure to provide a 10-percent water and sewer percent discount to Chelsea homeowners last month.

Yet, since that vote, there has been a fair share of resident dissatisfaction from condominium owners who don’t qualify for the price break, as well as allegations of some social media shenanigans between councillors.

But despite an attempt on Monday night by Councillor-at-Large Roy Avellaneda to consider a repeal, the discount will stand for now.

The discount applies to all units in any owner-occupied single, two-, or three-family homes and any owner-occupied condominium that has an individual water meter. The problem, as some condominium owners noted at Monday night’s Council meeting, is that very few condominium units in the city have individual water meters.

“I chose 15 years ago that I wanted to buy a condominium and not a house,” said resident Suzanne Perry. “I consider this to be a basic issue of discrimination and unfairness. I’m sure it was not meant to be that way, but that’s the way it ended up.”

Condominium owner Alison Cuneo circulated an online petition with more than 130 signatures as of Monday night asking the Council to overturn its water and sewer discount vote.

“I would oppose this even if I were to benefit from (the discount),” Cuneo said.

The debate over the issue took a personal turn early in the meeting, when District 1 Councillor Robert Bishop spoke out about a social media post by Avellaneda. In the post, Bishop said Avellaneda posted a Google maps image of his home and pool, noting that Bishop would benefit from the discounted water and sewer rates.

“Councillor Avellaneda wrote that Bob Bishop would get a discount to fill up his pool next year,” said Bishop. “That is not only petty, but it is untrue.”

Bishop said that he, like many people, has an individual water meter on his pool that would not qualify for the homeowner discount.

The District 1 Councillor also said he would be in favor of extending the discount to condominium owners if there was a way to determine the water use in owner-occupied units.

Avellaneda’s attempt to overturn the discount was struck down on a procedural vote.

Council President Dama-li Vidot ruled the request by Avellaneda to take another vote as out of order.

“We shouldn’t set a precedent just because this is something you disagreed with,” she said. “The majority of the Council voted in favor of adopting this.”

Avellaneda challenged Vidot’s ruling that his request was out of order, but the challenge failed.

CHELSEA RECEIVES STATE GRANT

CHELSEA – Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito announced \$3 million in technology grants to 44 cities and towns across the Commonwealth through the Community Compact Information Technology (IT) Grant Program. This week’s announcement will benefit more than 49 municipal entities and brings the total number of municipal IT grants issued over the past four years to 188, assisting 250 communities with \$9 million in grant funding to modernize their technology systems and deliver service to their residents more efficiently.

Chelsea received \$50,000 for implementation of a com-

prehensive communication and project management package that will improve service, documentation and knowledge sharing.

Lt. Gov. Polito made the announcement.

“Community Compact IT grants are a valuable way for the Community Compact program to provide access to resources for major technological projects that might otherwise be unaffordable,” said Lt. Gov. Polito, Chair of the Community Compact Cabinet. “A great example is Cohasset’s plan to upgrade its Student Information System for greater productivity and the sophisticated tools that a school district requires to help meet its administrative obligations and its students’ educational needs.”

Cities and towns have used the IT grant funding to upgrade their websites, implement new systems that allow residents to apply for permits and licenses online, improve the security and capacity of municipal IT systems, digitize records and develop other solutions to costly technological challenges.

In addition to the IT grants, the Baker-Polito Administration has awarded \$7.3 million in technical assistance grants and \$4 million in efficiency and regionalization grants since starting the Community Compact Program in 2015.

SELF-STORAGE APPROVED FOR PARKWAY AT MARK’S DISCOUNT

EVERETT – After one self-storage project on the Parkway made its way firmly under the skin of Mayor Carlo DeMaria and City Planners, a second self-storage on the Parkway has been approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for the Mark’s Discount building, or the former Eagle Shoe factory.

The building is owned by Mai Luo of Weston, who purchased it in February for \$4.48 million, and it was previously used in part as a self-storage facility. A two-story building near Mark’s was used for self-storage, as were floors two through four of the Discount building. At the September ZBA meeting, the owner’s attorney, Dave O’Neil, explained that they were only looking to convert the retail portion of the building – making it one consistent use.

“During the exploration of possible uses, a number of challenges were discovered, including the long and narrow shape of the building,” read a filing with the ZBA. “It is only 35 feet wide and there are a number of small, extensive interior columns.”

That, the filing read, made it impossible to explore alternative uses such as residential. After trying to combine the property with surrounding parcels to make one large development site, the owner struck out. He has now settled for a 400-unit self-storage project.

“A consistent use will benefit the appearance of the property and will prevent any change of use that would be disruptive to the residential abutters (on Lewis Street).”

O’Neil said they plan to improve the interior of the building, beautify the exterior of the building and landscape the front parking lot. The Mark’s Discount/Zapatos store would be eliminated.

Councillor Wayne Matewsky – who lives on Lewis Street right behind the building – said he isn’t a big fan of the use, but said the new owner is likely buying time until he can do something larger. He also said he was impressed that Luo came door-to-door to the neighbors to introduce himself.

“He’s looking to do that for about three or four years I think until he can put together

a bigger development,” said Matewsky. “He’s promised to landscape the property and clean it up. I have to say he came around knocking door-to-door in the neighborhood. That’s the first time anyone’s done that. His ultimate goal is to acquire more property in back to do a bigger development down there. We anticipate the future to be bright.”

O’Neil also said one of the proponents for the project was the owner of Mark’s Discount – who said it wasn’t a good retail location and would work better as self-storage.

However, not everyone is in line with self-storage on the Parkway.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria didn’t have any immediate comment on the Mark’s project, but has spoken up loudly against the other self-storage on the Parkway. He has said it isn’t the highest and best use for land on the Parkway and he would rather not see such facilities in an area of Everett poised for dramatic growth in the next few years.

O’Neil said self-storage is part of the housing boom, like it or not. With smaller, sleek units – both luxury and affordable – he said the caveat is there is nowhere to put one’s “stuff.”

“A lot of these new housing units have nice lines, they’re clean and sleek, but they have nowhere for people to put their stuff,” he said. “People will have stuff...It’s really a natural by-product of this housing market. They do serve a purpose and people need them and use them.”

Councillor Fred Capone, who represents the area, said he understands the desire not to have self-storage on the Parkway, but in this case, it would have been hard to deny it.

“I know it’s not the administration’s preferred use for the area, but if it’s already there, then it’s already there,” he said. “I can see denying it if you’re going into an area brand new, but if it’s something that is already in use, you put yourself in a tough spot legally if you deny it.”

ENCORE SIGNS LEASE WITH LOCAL COMPANY

EVERETT – Encore Boston Harbor added a local flavor to its five-star, \$2.5 billion global resort, announcing that it has signed a lease with New England-based Big Night Entertainment Group to operate a 16,400-square-foot restaurant and lounge and an 8,000-square-foot luxury nightclub at the resort.

Named for both its alluring design and waterfront location along the Mystic River, ‘Mystique’ will be situated off the main esplanade of Encore Boston Harbor. The contemporary Asian-fusion menu will feature a spectacular array of artful sushi, traditional Asian delicacies and innovative new dishes.

The nightclub, dubbed ‘Memoire,’ will overlook the Encore Boston Harbor gaming floor and be one of the most glamorous nighttime entertainment destinations in New England, complete with luxury VIP bottle areas.

“Encore Boston Harbor will offer some of the most high-quality, entertaining and enjoyable dining and nightlife experiences in the nation, making Mystique and Memoire perfect fits,” said Bob DeSalvio, president of Encore Boston Harbor. “Big Night Entertainment Group owns and operates several of the most popular and award-winning restaurants and luxury nightclubs in the region and is very well respected in this marketplace. They know how to amaze people in every way and will help mark Encore Boston Harbor as the premier dining and nightlife destination for all who visit, live or work in the region.”

CHELSEA MEMORIAL VIGIL



Erik Swanson mourns his sister, Jennifer Eve Swanson, who was lost this past November to the opioid epidemic. Swanson and scores of others gathered for the Chelsea Memorial Vigil, a vigil only three years old, but one that has grown as a necessity as so many family members and friends seek to make sense and mourn the deaths of loved ones that have succumbed to opiate and drug overdoses. As part of the ceremony, candles were lit for loved ones as their names were read aloud to the audience.



Big Night Entertainment Group principals Randy Greenstein, Ed Kane and Joe Kane designed Mystique as an energetic open-kitchen restaurant and lounge that will be richly appointed with Asian-inspired artwork and adornments from across the globe. The restaurant will seat more than 530 guests in its main dining room and three private dining rooms, including a 94-seat lounge with wrap-around bar that will entertain guests at night with music and small-plate offerings.

Memoire will accommodate up to 600 guests in an exuberant setting of gold, leather, marble and hand-blown glass chandeliers direct from the flea markets of Paris. A mezzanine level overlooks the main floor and features VIP bars and private lounge areas.

“Mystique and Memoire are destined to be flagship destinations at Encore Boston Harbor,” said Principal Ed Kane of Big Night Entertainment Group. “We are thrilled to be able to deliver the premier, first-class experience that guests will expect at the resort.”

Mystique and Memoire will be two of the 13 dining, lounge and casual food offerings located in the three-million square foot Encore Boston Harbor Resort. The other restaurants currently announced to be at Encore Boston Harbor are Sinatra and Fratelli. Sinatra, the Forbes Travel Guide Four-Star Award-winning Italian restaurant that is owned and operated by Wynn Resorts and located at Encore in Las Vegas, will be located adjacent to Mystique. Fratelli, a casual-Italian restaurant, will be operated by Boston North End restaurateurs Frank DePasquale and Nick Varano.

NEW YMCA PLANNED IN LYNN

LYNN –YMCA officials, Gov. Charlie Baker, Mayor Tom McGee and other dignitaries came out to break

ground on a new \$30 million YMCA facility in downtown Lynn.

The planned 70,000 square-foot facility will be built directly in front of the current YMCA on Neptune Boulevard. Slated to open in 2020, the new facility will have seven preschool classrooms, a 12,000 square-foot fitness area, a gymnasium, a kitchen and café, as well as an aquatic center and 6,000 square-foot rooftop garden.

Bruce Macdonald, president and CEO of YMCA Metro North, stressed that it’s not just building a facility that’s important but also the fact it will include STEAM education (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) aspects to it.

The facility is surrounded by schools such as Lynn Tech, St. Mary’s, Washington Elementary and a new KIPP Academy High School. All combined with the Y will be known as the Education District.

“This neighborhood is about to change in a dramatic way,” Macdonald said.

“This is a great example of how when you put a whole bunch of people together who share a vision, you get really great things done,” Baker said.

Also attending the groundbreaking were Tom DeMakes of Old Neighborhood Meats; Lauren Liss of MassDevelopment; Peter Sargent of the Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation and Taima Walker, a YMCA staff member; and Amanda Mena, a former contestant on “America’s Got Talent” and YMCA Music Studio participant, who sang “God Bless America.”

Also attending were State Rep. Dan Cahill; State Rep. Lori Ehrlich and State Rep. Donald Wong.

The YMCA will receive \$6.8 million in New Market Tax Credits, another \$4.8 million comes from a MassWorks grant and gifts from the DeMakes family, the Gerondelis Foundation, the Van Otterloo family, Stephen Hendrickson

and \$10 million more from private donations. There is also a MassDevelopment bond for \$8 million to go toward the project.

“I make hotdogs for a living, but I don’t want that on my tombstone. I want it written we all helped the City of Lynn,” said Demakes.

“I know the members that have been a part of this YMCA have envisioned a beautiful new YMCA for a long time,” McGee said.

CABLE USERS NOW HAVE A CHOICE

REVERE – Mayor Brian Arrigo announced that Revere residents and businesses have another choice for their internet, cable and telephone service as RCN has officially launched services in the city.

Arrigo and RCN officials held a press conference Tuesday outside City Hall to make the historic announcement.

RCN is bringing a state-of-the-art, fiber-rich network to Revere along with increased competition and a new choice for broadband and entertainment services.

“Revere has waited a long time for competition in our cable market,” said Arrigo. “RCN’s arrival in Revere culminates a courtship that we expect will improve both cable television and related service available to Revere residents. Believe it or not, it’s one of the most common questions I’ve fielded at City Hall: Why doesn’t Revere have more choice in service? Now, we do.”

Arrigo said the competition will lead to savings for Revere residents in their monthly cable bills.

“It’s a good day for the residents of the city because they’re going to save a little bit of money if they do decide to go to RCN, or if they want to keep Comcast, they have the ability to negotiate a little bit now,” said Arrigo. “Anything we can do to save the residents money is a good

City Council holds hearing regarding dockless mobility and electric scooters

By Lauren Bennett

Dockless scooters are a big question mark in Boston, but the City Council is trying to straighten that punctuation into an exclamation point.

The City Council Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation, chaired by Councilor Michelle Wu, held a hearing on Oct. 15 regarding dockless mobility and electric scooters in the City of Boston, indicating that they could envision a pilot program in spring 2019.

As these new technologies become more rapidly available, the City said it is always looking for ways to have a greener footprint and help people get around more quickly, efficiently, and safely.

Three different panels presented information at the hearing, including administration representatives, people in the dockless mobility industry, and advocates.

“I’m excited to explore all angles of this rapidly evolving field with you,” Councilor Matt O’Malley said. “The field is so new that it’s popularized a new term: micromobility, which refers to a category of small vehicles for shorter, more flexible trips around the city.”

South End resident Michael Messina said that he would like to see electric scooters in Boston. He said that they would make his commute to Back Bay “a lot easier,” and praised Councilor Wu on her

words about the most recent UN Climate Report, saying that cities have to take the lead in fighting climate change.

“To me, this is the easiest step we can take to fight climate change,” Messina said. “If we can’t do this, I’ll be pretty disheartened.”

O’Malley mentioned BlueBikes (formerly Hubway), the City’s public bike-share system, and said that Boston has never been able to keep up with the demand for the bikes. From the first subway at Park Street to one of the first bike-share programs in the country, O’Malley said that Boston has always tried to keep up with the latest innovations in transportation.

Councilor Ed Flynn said that while he is not opposed to the idea of dockless mobility and electric scooters, questions of public safety are at the forefront of his mind. He wanted to make sure things like speed limits, helmets, and minimum age requirements are things that are addressed as this process moves forward.

“This seems like a great idea,” said Councilor Josh Zakim. He said his main concerns were around accessibility and where these vehicles are going to be left, which were major topics of conversation throughout the hearing.

As someone who does not own a car, Councilor Kim Janey said, “I’m someone who believes deeply in making sure that we have equitable transit opportunities.”

Chief of Streets Chris Os-

good said that he echoed the sentiments put forth by the City Councilors, and said that by the end of this year, they hope to onboard a transportation planner who will guide innovation and decide how the City can move people in ways that are safer and better for the environment, as well as decide how these new modes of transportation like dockless scooters will work in conjunction with the existing MBTA and BlueBikes systems that are already in place.

NEW MODES OF TRANSPORT

As Councilor O’Malley mentioned, BlueBikes have been immensely popular. Osgood said that there were up to 1.5 million rides with the service in 2018, and by 2019, they expect to have 3,000 bikes at 300 stations across Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, and Somerville.

“We are putting together a regional framework that would allow for the piloting of e-scooters on our streets as early as spring 2019,” Osgood said.

Gina Fiandaca, commissioner of the Boston Transportation Department (BTD), said that they have been in conversation with surrounding municipalities about what the best approach is to have a conversation at the state level. They would like to create overall guidelines that these municipalities have agreed upon.

It is illegal for motorized

scooters to be ridden on the sidewalks in Massachusetts, and they currently must follow other state rules as well, including having brake lights, turn signals, helmet usage, and abiding by specific operating hours.

DISABLED COMMUNITY FEELS LEFT BEHIND

Kristen McCosh, from the Mayor’s Office of Persons With Disabilities, said that part of her role is to make sure the path of travel on the sidewalks remain unobstructed.

“Sidewalks are the most common mode of travel for people with disabilities,” McCosh said. She said she was concerned about accessibility of the scooters themselves, as well as their speed, and where they might be left in the way of someone who is blind or low vision.

“People with disabilities are not in a position to move them or even go around them,” she said.

Osgood said that they are working through the best places for the scooters to be stored at the end of a trip.

Councilor Lydia Edwards asked McCosh what her thoughts were on an advisory committee with people from the disability community to have conversations with private companies who would be providing the scooters, as well as in what ways could the City be better than it was with Uber and Airbnb in terms of including people from the disability community.

McCosh said that some sort

of advisory committee would be her “biggest recommendation” so regulations could be discussed and accessibility ensured.

Olivia Richard, a member of MassADAPT, provided public testimony from the perspective of someone in the disability community.

“No one is a fan of this technology in my community,” Richard said. “It’s another piece of technology that we are getting left behind on.”

She said she saw the Lime scooters while visiting Denver.

“Rider behavior is different than what you think you can ordinance and legislate,” she said. She said that people were “riding anywhere and everywhere” with very little helmet usage. Richard also expressed concern for how quiet the scooters are. She said that someone who was blind or low vision would not even know they are there, which could be dangerous.

INDUSTRY EXECS

The second panel involved representatives from Bird, Lyft, and Lime to discuss how each respective company looks at the deckles mobility industry, and what it could offer Boston.

Scott Mullen, director of expansion for Lime in the Northeast, said that micromobility does not have the same infrastructure that something like BlueBikes does, so it can immediately serve communities in a transportation desert.

Hannah Smith, government relations manager for

Bird, said that vehicles would be removed when they are underutilized, and that the fewer cars on the road, the better. She said that research has proven that there is safety in numbers when it comes to these new forms of transportation; the more bikes and scooters on the road, the safer it will be for everyone.

In the third panel, Stacy Thompson, executive director of the Livable Streets Organization, and Brendan Kearney from WalkBoston, made suggestions about the implementation of the new scooters.

Thompson told the City Council that she hopes they will meet their excitement about the prospect with “increased funding for the infrastructure that will be required to support this.”

She also said that regulating the speed of the scooters is just a small portion of the conversation that needs to be had about regulating the speed of all vehicles. Redesigning streets and curbside management were things that Kearney said needed to be thought about.

O’Malley said this was one of the most substantive hearings they have had about this topic, and added that “as a City, we need to do a tremendously better effort going forward as it relates to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.”

He called this a “complex issue,” but one that needs to be discussed.

He said he feels strongly about implementing a pilot program in the spring of next year.

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thing and it’s a good day when we can do that. We’re excited about RCN coming in to the city of Revere.”

Jeff Carlson, senior vice president and general manager, RCN Boston, and Thomas K. Steel Jr., vice president and regulatory counsel, represented RCN at the press conference.

“RCN is bringing the city of Revere an array of highly competitive telecom packages and we applaud the city for allowing a new choice for residents and businesses,” said Carlson. “Our award-winning high-speed Internet, digital TV and phone service are second to none. RCN is also committed to becoming part of the Revere community by building an exclusive fiber infrastructure for municipal use.”

As part of the cable license agreement, RCN is constructing an advanced fiber institutional network for the city’s exclusive use that will connect schools, municipal buildings, and be used for certain public safety communications. This will fill the city’s needs for video and data distribution long into the future.

RCN will also provide three HD channels for locally produced public, educational

and governmental programming to bring signal quality to a level that Revere residents have come to expect for all programming.

RCN is in the process of installing their fiber network throughout the city and is currently available to 3,000 households. As more service is added and available every day, the service is expected to be city-wide over the next several months.

REVERE HIGH TEAMS TACKLE ISSUES

REVERE – Great things happen when Revere High School teams up with RevereCARES and that’s just what’s happened with the Youth Health Leadership Council (YHLC) and the Power of Know Club.

The YHLC is made up of high school students interested in exploring issues affecting their peers and who are interested in advocating for a healthier community.

This year the YHLC is focusing efforts on areas like vaping, curbside textile recycling, a youth job rally at the State House and organizing a Self-Care Fair.

The Power of Know Club, which has 35 members, will

also work on career readiness, mentoring financial literacy and tackling procrastination and community service.

Youth Coordinator Debora Guimaraes, with Revere CARES and stationed in Revere High School,

The said students are vaping in the classrooms as they are in many classrooms across the United States. They are working on the issue the neighboring communities of Chelsea, Saugus, and Winthrop through a shared grant.

“This is of high priority for the communities,” Guimaraes said. “We’re hoping to share videos and signs in the school. There are also some grants to hold workshops.”

Right now there are 19 students involved with the YHLC because they are concerned about improving the lives of youth in Revere. They work at city jobs and at the farmer’s market.

The number one concern for youth in Revere High School is drugs, they also talk about a students well-being, the pressure to do well, dealing with applying to college, dealing with financial challenges.

“Sometimes it can be overwhelming for them,” she said. “Frequently I hear that a stu-

dent is overwhelmed. That’s why we are also focusing on the Self-Care Fair.”

The fair will be held April 4, 2019.

All the students in both clubs are very focused on getting in to college. Some already have jobs or are working at internships.

To learn more about the Power of Know Club contact Debora Guimaraes, youth coordinator, at dguimaraes@partners.org

COUNCILORS TO VOTE AGAIN ON CENTER REPAIRS

WINTHROP – While the Town Council voted two weeks ago to appropriate \$4,931,500 for the purpose of financing the construction of the town center sewer and drain system, some thought that perhaps the vote was taken in haste.

Town Manager Austin Faison said the vote 6-0, even with three recusals, still stands under state law. Councilors James Letterie, Peter Christopher and Mike Lucerto, recused themselves from the discussion and the vote because of business interests they have in the center.

“So this will be brought up

again, due to the confusion and lack of information the voting members had, some councilors may have felt they were voting in a little bit of haste. So we have an opportunity to have a public hearing about it,” Faison said, adding he would provide updated maps. “I’ve been talking with the business community and the residents to make sure they are heard in this process.”

Faison is on the cusp of hiring a new assistant town manager, who will be working on the center business district work. Faison said he also wants to start a Town Manager’s Committee to work on the above, ground portion of the area with the community, including a public planning process.

“It’s not just the Center Business District work it’s the development that come along with it,” Faison said.

The public hearing will be held Nov. 13 at a meeting place to be determined.

MARIJUANA ISSUE STILL UP IN THE AIR

WINTHROP – Some residents were hoping the Town Council would set a date for a referendum vote on whether or not a recreational marijuana

shop could come to Winthrop, but that didn’t happen.

First, town officials have not heard back from the attorney general’s office on whether or not Winthrop can have its moratorium on pot shops extended into 2019.

Second, the Planning Board was supposed to meet on the issue Monday night but it did not have a quorum. The Planning Board is scheduled to meet Monday night at 7 p.m. in the Harvey Hearing Room. The Planning Board’s focus is on zoning.

There is also a signature drive going on to get the question of pot on the ballot and the Town Council’s Rules and Ordinance Subcommittee will take up any wording of a ballot question. That committee is expected to meet Oct. 24 at 5:30 p.m. in the Harvey Hearing Room. The subcommittee met on the topic Oct. 9 to discuss the issue and four residents attended. The subcommittee viewed other ballots from other towns such as Newton, Acton, Wayland and a few more.

“We will work on preparing the question for the Town Council to vote on,” said Councilor Phil Boncore.

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Based on early recommendations from the Climate Ready Eastie plan a deployable floodwall system has already been installed across the East Boston Greenway to prevent flooding.

Building upon this first step Walsh announced last week the city plans to redesign Constitution Beach to combine flood protection measures with expanded access and recreation.

The city will also enhance Wood Island and Belle Isle to prevent the loss of the last remaining tidal salt marsh in Boston, while buffering the shoreline from increased waves and storm surges during storms.

Creating raised natural berms that act as additional public open along the waterfront, as well as restoring salt marshes provide not only new natural resources but also buffer the shore from waves and storm surges.

Walsh will also direct city agencies to work with new development projects, including Suffolk Downs, to integrate resiliency measures, increased open space, and community

connections.

Another plan for Eastie is to elevate transportation corridors like Bennington Street and the East Boston Greenway to create both flood protection and pedestrian connections throughout the neighborhood.

“This is a moment they’ll look back and judge us by,” said Walsh. “We must be prepared. This plan is more than just protecting Boston’s waterfront. It’s a plan to protect our people; protect their homes and their jobs; protect businesses large and small; protect schools, parks, and roads, senior centers and daycare facilities. It’s also a plan to connect our people—to open space, to Boston Harbor, to opportunity. It’s a vision of environmental, economic, and social resilience.”

For years now groups like the East Boston Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH) ClimateCARE (Community Action for Resilience Engagement) have been working with the city and other stakeholders to address Eastie’s vulnerability to

storm surge and sea level rise. NOAH has held numerous workshops and planning meetings to begin to think outside the box when it comes to protecting the neighborhood with ideas ranging from elevated parks or berms along the shoreline to deployable floodwalls.

“I’m glad the Mayor is showing leadership on this critical issue that is so vital to the future of East Boston,” said NOAH’s Executive Director Phil Giffiee. “He’s right to point out that sea level protection projects can be both attractive and useful, but also that these will be expensive and necessary. NOAH will continue to work closely with our neighborhood and his administration so that measures taken will meet community needs - and be budgeted in a timely fashion. It’s a great start.”

Walsh said his plan is not just a comprehensive strategy to protect the city from climate change flooding, but a transformative vision that will add 67 acres of green space to Boston’s 47-mile shoreline.

However, these strategies come at a huge cost.

In his speech Walsh said projects outlined in Resilient Boston Harbor for Eastie and elsewhere in the city will require a number of different funding sources. Walsh said that the City of Boston will commit 10 percent of all new capital funding to resilience projects. He called on Boston’s state and federal government partners, as well as the private sector and non-profit and philanthropic stakeholders to join the City in committing to make these necessary investments a reality.

“I applaud Mayor Walsh for his continued efforts to make Boston resilient for future generations,” said State Rep. Adrian Madaro. “Climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing our City and our planet. The plan announced today will not only protect Boston’s waterfront neighborhoods, but will also improve the quality of life for our residents.”



A shot of Portside at Pier One during last winter's Nor'easter where floodwaters from the Boston Harbor overwhelmed Eastie's shoreline. Mayor Walsh hopes to spend millions in Eastie and across the city to protect neighborhoods around the Harbor.

OBITUARIES

Silvia Todisco

Todisco family matriarch

Silvia N. (Casacchia) Todisco of Danvers, formerly of East Boston and Chelsea, passed away on Oct. 20 surrounded by her devoted family at the Kaplan Family Hospice House.

Silvia was the matriach of the Todisco Family. She loved spending time with her family and grandchildren. She was an avid bingo player, loved day trips to Salem Willows, going on walks and shopping. She will be missed by all.

Silvia was born in Argentina on Feb. 5, 1936 to Serafino and Serafina (Sigliano) Casacchia. She met her husband, Pasquale Todisco in Argentina and they married on Nov. 5, 1955. They had two children, Silvia and Lillian in Argentina before immigrating to the United States in 1959.

Silvia was the devoted mother of Silvia C. Todisco of Danvers, Lillian Briguglio of Peabody, Adelina A. Todisco of Danvers, Pasquale Todisco and his wife, Kathleen of Peabody and Lydia Todisco-Lombard of Lynn. Silvia is survived by her loving brother Armando Casacchia of Spain and pre deceased by five brothers and five sisters. She was the cherished grandmother of Juliana, Palma, Christina, Pasquale, Michael, Stephen Todisco, Anthony, Gina, Amanda, Steven Lombard, Nicole, Gianna and Robert and the adored great-grandmother of 21



great-grandchildren.

Silvia is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews as well as her two special canines, Sonny and Tippy Toe.

Family and friends will honor Silvia's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St., East Boston today, Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. before leaving in procession to St. Anthony's Church, Revere St., Revere at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with Silvia being laid to rest beside her beloved husband, Pasquale at St. Mary's Cemetery in Salem.

The family would like to send a heartfelt thank-you to the staff of Care Dimensions and the Kaplan Family Hospice House.

Flowers are appreciated and memorial donations may be made to Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan St., Danvers, MA or Shriners Hospital.

Anthony' Sonny' Petrivelli

Retired Union Master Carpenter for JF White Construction

Anthony F. "Sonny" Petrivelli of Revere, formerly of East Boston passed away at the age of 86.

Born and raised in East Boston, he and his wife moved to Revere in 1971. His beloved wife of 58 years, Concetta "Connie" (Correale) Petrivelli passed on September 14, 2017, just 13 months ago.

Early in his working career, he was in the lobster and clam digging business, working for former companies such as N.E. Lobster Co. and Atlantic Fish Industries. For over 30 years, and until retirement, he worked as a Master Carpenter out of the AFLCIO, LOCAL #33-New England Reg. Council of Carpenters, for J.F. White Construction. Known throughout the area for his expertise in wood-working, he served during the Korean Conflict with the U.S. Army as a Private 1st Class from June of 1953 to May of 1955.

He was the devoted father of Paula Tocco and her husband, Joseph of Revere and Erika Poste of Vero Beach, Fla.; the cherished grandfather to Kyle J. Bendavid and his wife, Nikol of Revere, Brianna A. Poste of New Hampshire, Anthony E.



Poste and Eric Royce, both of Vero Beach, Florida; the dear brother to Josephine Powers "Josie" of East Boston, Gino Petrivelli and his wife, Anna of Largo, Florida and Barbara Lena of Stoneham and the late Jennie Coleman, Francis "Frank" Petrivelli, Domenica Smith and Adeline "Addy" Petrivelli. He is also lovingly survived by two great-grandchildren, Alessia and Ryan and by nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Funeral arrangements were by the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, Revere. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 209 West Central St., Natick, MA 01760.

For additional information, please visit www.vertuccio-andsmith.com.

Pasqualina Guarino

She loved making people laugh and smile

Pasqualina (Morello) Guarino of East Boston passed away surrounded by her loving family at the Don Orione Home on Thursday, Oct. 19 at the age of 85.

Pasqualina loved making people laugh and smile. She enjoyed spending time with her family and extended family. She will be missed and joyfully remembered by all.

Pasqualina was born in Italy on April 3, 1933 to Oliso and Angela Maria Morella. She immigrated to East Boston where she met her husband, Guido Guarino. They

married, settled in East Boston and had two children; Agostino "Steven" and the late Angela (Guarino) Faretra. She was the devoted grandmother of Janelle and Marissa Faretra and was pre-deceased by one brother and two sisters. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were by the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, East Boston. Services concluded with Pasqualina being laid to rest beside her cherished daughter, Angela at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Elena Bruno

Devoted parishioner and volunteer at Our Lady of the Assumption Church

Elena M. Bruno, a life-long resident of Jeffries St., Jeffries Point, East Boston, passed away at home surrounded by her loving family on Monday, October 22.

Elena was born in Boston on July 13, 1924 to Giulio and Michelina DelBene. She moved into her home on Jeffries Street in the Jeffries Point section of East Boston as an infant. She met Paul Bruno at work and they were married on Jan. 7, 1951. They settled into Elena's family home and raised their family there.

Elena was a devoted parishoner and volunteer at Our Lady of Assumption Church in East Boston. She was a member of the Woman's Solidarity Club, a Past-President of the Assumption School PTA, a volunteer with their Girl Scout summer camp as well as many other youth programs.

Elena is survived by her five children: Stephanie Bruno of East Boston, Paul Bruno of Middleton, Thomas Bruno and his wife, Phyllis, Carol DiStefano and her husband, Chuck and Robert Bruno and his wife, Jody, all of East Boston. She was pre-deceased by her four siblings: Theresa Lombardi, Caroline Fontenot, Mary Bruno and Ralph DelBene. Elena was the cherished grandmother of Lori Bruno-Lee and her husband, Bryan, Kristin McComb and her husband, Mat-

thew, Michael Bruno and his wife, Katlyn, Melanie Bruno, Nicholas DiStefano, Bianca DiStefano, Joseph DiStefano, Ariana DiStefano, Anthony Bruno, MaKenzie Bruno and Kristopher Bruno and the adored great-grandmother of Alessandra, Carissa, Giuliana and Benjamin. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Elena was a devoted parishoner and volunteer at Our Lady of Assumption Church in East Boston. She was a member of the Woman's Solidarity Club, a Past-President of the Assumption School PTA, a volunteer with their Girl Scout summer camp as well as many other youth programs.

Family and friends will honor Elena's life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St., East Boston on Friday, Oct. 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Saturday morning at 8:30 before leaving in funeral procession to Sacred Heart Church, Brooks St., East Boston for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass in celebration of Elena's life. Services will conclude with Elena being laid to rest with her beloved husband Paul at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Piers Park Sailing Center 95 Marginal St., East Boston, MA 02128

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subsequent abutters meeting the developer has changed some aspects of the proposed project.

The original design has been dramatically altered from a more modern designed building using glass, metals and clapboard-like materials to a more traditional design.

Lynds said that after hearing from the community and neighbors the building will reflect the style and context of the surrounding neighborhood that is lined with brick early 20th Century row houses.

The new design tries to keep in line with the surrounding area in regards to roof lines, window treatments and materials like brick.

"We tried to come up with a plan that reflected the context of the neighborhood," said Lynds. "The architecture and design of other buildings in the area was a lot of the inspiration to our design here."

The new design also encloses the access to the parking that will be located in the rear of the building. The driveway on the right side of the building was open and ran underneath a portion of the building under the more modern design. Residents and GSCA members didn't like the look of the modern driveway and asked if the driveway could be enclosed in order to soften up the look of right side of the building.

The developer has also set back the fourth floor in order to reduce the massing of the building when viewed from the sidewalk.

Lynds also added that after the two meeting with the community his client also agreed to eliminate the proposed roof deck on top of the building that would have been a private roof deck for the fourth floor owners.

AROUND THE CITY

FRIENDS! THE MUSICAL PARODY

Lowell Management Group presents Bob and Tobly McSmith's "Friends! The Musical Parody," Friday, Oct. 26, 8 p.m., on Merrimack St., downtown Lowell. \$29-\$49. lowellauditorium.com, 978-937-8688.

THE SALONNIERES

Greater Boston Stage Company, formerly Stoneham Theatre, presents the world premiere of acclaimed playwright Liz Duffy Adams' "The Salonnieres," Oct. 25-Nov. 11, set in pre-revolutionary Paris, laden with fairytales, facades and a feminist revolution. 395 Main St., Stoneham.\$45-\$55, seniors, \$40-\$50; students with valid ID, \$20; Thrifty Thursday \$15 at the door, Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m. 781-279-2200, greaterbostonstage.org.

LYNSEY ADDARIO

Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist Lynsey Addario shares her harrowing experiences in "It's What I Do: A Photographer's Life of Love and War," Sunday, Oct. 28, at 3 p.m., in the National Geographic Live new speaker series, at Sanders Theatre, 45 Quincy St., Cambridge. Reserved seats \$58,\$48,\$37,\$28. This presentation contains graphic images suitable only for mature audiences. World music.org, 617-876-4275.

PETER MULVEY'S LAMPLIGHTER SESSIONS

The veteran singer-songwriter holds his annual sessions for six nights, Oct. 26-31, at Club Passim, featuring visual artist Dan Blakeslee, unusual themes, performers and first-time collaborations, 47 Palmer St., Cambridge.Sessions are \$25, members \$23. At clubpassim.org, 617-492-7679.

LAUGHTER LEAGUE LIVE

The Foundation for Laughter presents the debut of a benefit event, Thursday, Nov. 1, 7:30

p.m., a one-of-a-kind benefit comedy celebrating the work of the Laughter League Healthcare Clown team at Boston Children's Hospital.The event is held at the Virginia Wimberly Theatre, Calderwood Pavilion, Boston Center for the Arts, 527 Tremont St., S out End, Boston.\$50; children 12-under, \$30. Special VIP Cocktails and Clowns pre-show, 6:30 p.m., \$100. bostontheatrescene.com, 617-933-8600.

VISION FESTIVAL

This New- work weeklong festival of radical improvised music and art comes to Tufts University, Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m., with a variety of events involving free jazz,social justice, and improvisation as a mode of life. There's also a workshop at 1 p.m. and symposium at 5:30 p.m. Distler Hall, 20 Talbot Ave., Medford.

YUSI MAHLASELA AND FRIENDS

South Africa's noted musician and cultural activist-guitarist-singer-songwriter-poet, dubbed The Voice in his homeland, performs Friday, Oct. 26, 8 p.m., at Somerville Theatre 55 Davis Square, Somerville. Reserved seats \$35; 617-876-4275, worldmusic.org.

GOONEY BIRD GREENE

Wheelock Family Theatre opens its season with "Gooney Bird Greene and Her True Life Adventures," Oct. 26-Nov. 18 Performances are Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, 1:30 a.m., 2 p.m. (no 10:30 a.m.Oct. 27), Sunday, 2 p.m. 200 Riverway, Boston. Tickets@wheelock.edu.

BLUE KETTLE

Commonwealth Shakespeare Company presents 100 minutes of two Caryl Churchill one-act plays, "Blue Kettle." And "Here We Go," with intermission, Nov. 7-18, at Sorenson Black Box Theater, Babson College, Wellesley, featuring a Boston all-star cast: Wednesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, 3 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 17, at 3,7:30 p.m. OvationTix, 866-811-4111.

Elena Marie Aresco

Of Everett, formerly of East Boston and Stoneham

Elena Marie Aresco of Everett, formerly of Stoneham and East Boston, passed away on Thursday, Oct 18. She was 41 years old.

The cherished daughter of Ruth Giannasoli and Antonio Aresco and his wife, Kathleen, she was the loving mother of Giano A. Aresco, caring sister of Anthony Aresco Jr. and his wife, Jeanne, Andrew, Ruth and Andrea Aresco. She is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Family and friends will honor Elena's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach St.

Revere at 9 a.m. today, Wednesday, Oct. 24, before leaving in procession to St. Anthony Church in Revere for



a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in her honor at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by visiting www.stjude.org

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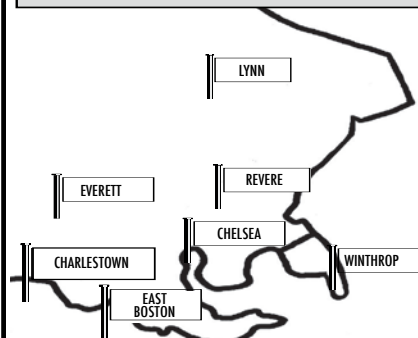
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Docket No. SU18P0976
Estate of:
Richard Anthony Maddalo
Date of Death: February 16, 2018
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Lorraine Maddalo of Brooklyn, NY. Lorraine Maddalo of Brooklyn, NY has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU18C0472CA
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
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Families stuffed a scarecrow with hay and planted daffodil bulbs in the Curtis Guild Elementary School garden during the First Annual Harvest Festival, presented by the Guild family Council. On October 19, students sifted through sand with the Harborkeepers to learn about shellfish and harmful micro plastics found in Boston Harbor, decorated pumpkins, and had their faces painted with skeletons and rainbows in the playground.

“I painted a pumpkin,” said Niyah Centeno, third grade. “I like getting candy on Halloween. I’m going to dress up as a cat.”

PHOTOS BY MARIANNE SALZA



Isabella O'Neil, with Stephanie and Terry McDonald.



Parent Council member, Kelly Gil, with her mother, and students Josh Brownell, Jovanni Carpinito, and Niyah Centeno.



Angelica and Steven Perez sitting in the Guild garden.



Tiffany Free and Valentina Brown plant daffodil bulbs.



Beatriz Contreras and her daughter, Alejandra, with Joanne Salza, Carolina Vazquez, Principal Karen McCarthy, and Alex.



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