

# East Boston

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### ZBA approves Maverick Square adult use Marijuana facility

By John Lynds

After several deferments, the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals' (ZBA) finally voted to grant a variance and conditional use permit to an adult use marijuana facility proposed for Maverick Square at last Tuesday's hearing.

Owners of East Boston Bloom LLC, which include Luis Vasco, Steven Vasco, Nick Spagnola, and Julis Soko plan to open an adult use marijuana facility on the ground floor of a building owned by the Vasco family in Maverick Square.

However, because the ZBA approved an adult use facility on Meridian Street last year, East Boston Bloom needed a variance from the zoning board. While there is no state regulations of how close adult use facilities can be one another the City of Boston adopted zoning that created a half mile buffer and prohibits two facilities from being

### STRAIGHT SETS



PHOTO BY EMILY HARNEY

East Boston Jets volleyball players Carolina Assis, Rajai Ferguson, Brooklyn Cartagena celebrate a hard-fought point during a game against Boston International on Monday night. The Jets won 3-0 in straight sets, taking their record to 5-1 on the season. They play Cathedral High at home on Friday, Sept. 27. See Page 9 for more photos.

### East Boston Social Centers to hold 'Family Reunion' celebration Oct. 2

By John Lynds

Capitalizing on its widely successful 100th Anniversary celebration last year, the East Boston

Social Centers will host a 'Family Reunion' celebration on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at the ICA Watershed at the East Boston Shipyard, from 6 to 10 p.m.

The Social Centers 100th Anniversary sparked a renewed interest in the important Eastie institution that has been a mainstay in the community since the turn of the last century.

"The one thing we kept hearing at last year's celebration is that it felt like a family reunion," said Social Centers Executive Director Justin Pasquariello.

"So that really helped us pick a theme for this year's celebration".

After the success of the 100th anniversary, Pasquariello said that the Social Centers hopes to have a major fundraising event each year to bring the

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### Standing Room Only

Kennedy announces Senate candidacy in Eastie

By John Lynds

In front of a standing room only crowd at the East Boston Social Centers, U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate taking on incumbent U.S. Sen. Ed Markey.

Kennedy's choice of location was not by accident. The Kennedy family's start in America is very much the same story as the hundreds of immigrants that call Eastie home.

Patrick Kennedy fled New Ross, Ireland and abject poverty for a better life in the U.S. and married Bridget Murphy at Holy Redeemer Church in the mid 1800s, just a few blocks from the Social Centers.

"It is so extremely meaningful to me to be able to do this, and announce this,

here, where in 1848, a few steps from where this building is today, my father's family first arrived in this country," Kennedy began his speech Saturday. "Patrick Kennedy came, fleeing oppression, starvation, and he arrived here with literally nothing. He married a woman named Bridget Murphy. She ended up getting a store just down the road here over on Border Street. They built a family. Patrick passed away young, from cholera. And from sheer force of will, and the help of a community, she kept that family together."

Patrick's son, P.J. Kennedy went on to become a successful saloon owner, ward boss and politician in Eastie. His son, Joseph P. Kennedy, the father of President John F. Kennedy

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U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III greets East Boston families Saturday at the East Boston Social Centers. Kennedy announced his run for Senate in Eastie.

### AFTER SCHOOL SAILING



Students participating in the Piers Park Sailing Center's Sailing After School program. See Page 13 for story.

### Suspect arrested in connection with Eagle Hill stabbing death

By John Lynds

A man has been arrested and arraigned in the stabbing death of 22-year-old Carlos Ramos of East Boston.

On Friday, Sept. 20, officers assigned to the Boston Police Homicide Unit and Fugitive Apprehension Unit, in coordination with members of the Chelsea Police Department, arrested Raul Gutierrez-Rosales, 22, of Chelsea, at his residence in Chelsea. At the time of his arrest Rosales was wanted on a warrant issued

out of East Boston District Court for murder.

He was arraigned on murder charges Monday in East Boston District Court.

According to police Rosales allegedly stabbed Ramos to death on West Eagle Street on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Ramos was found just before 11:30 p.m. after police responded to a radio call for a person stabbed in the area of 36 West Eagle St.

Officers located an adult male victim, later identified as Ramos, suffering from what appeared to be multiple stab wounds. The victim was transported to a local

hospital where he later died from his injuries.

Ramos's death marks only the second homicide in a relatively quiet year for crime in East Boston.

The Boston Police Department continues to review the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. Anyone with information is strongly urged to contact Boston Police Homicide Detectives at (617) 343-4470.

Community members wishing to assist this search anonymously can do so by calling the CrimeStoppers Tip Line at 1 (800) 494-

TIPS or by texting the word 'TIP' to CRIME (27463). The Boston Police Department will stringently guard and protect the identities of all those who wish to assist this investigation in an anonymous manner.

To those who find themselves in need of emotional support or needing to talk to someone about distressing events in our community, the Boston Neighborhood Trauma Team (NTT) provides free, private support 24/7 at (617) 431-0125 or by visiting BPHC.org/trauma.

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# East Boston YMCA’s LiveSTRONG program helping cancer survivors heal

By John Lynds

East Boston YMCA Executive Director Joe Gaeta said something beautiful is happening among a group of cancer survivors attending a new fitness program at the East Boston YMCA.

The Y’s new LiveSTRONG program, a free 12-week group exercise program that helps adult cancer survivors reclaim their lives health and wellbeing has morphed into something truly inspiring.

“It’s not just about the exercise,” said Gaeta. “All the participants in the program have formed meaningful bonds because they have all experienced the same trauma and uncertainty that comes with a cancer diagnosis. This group has become friends, and after the program is over they hang out, get coffee, talk with one another—it’s has become very inspiring to the staff here.”

The group of cancer survivors meet twice a week for 75 minutes. With LiveSTRONG the YMCA helping cancer survivors in their local communities get the physical activity, supportive relationships, and stress reduction they need to improve their quality of life.

“You feel lonelier after cancer treatment. A lot of questions popped into my head – Will my body ever get back to “normal”? How can I stay fit as my doctors told me to? Then I met LiveSTRONG,” said cancer survivor and LiveSTRONG participant Erin T. “Through this 12-week program, I met other cancer survivors. They were different in age and cancer type but were looking for the same things: emotional support and a way to stay healthy.”

Erin said under the lead of Stephanie Cook, the group’s certified trainer, the group instantly got connected with each other.

“We do not always talk about our experience with cancer, but it is good to know that you can talk about it whenever you feel like and without hesitation,” she said. “The program also got me into the habit of working out at the gym at least twice a week. Stephanie understands each participant’s needs and quickly adjusts the level of exercise so that



YMCA trainer Stephanie Cook works with a LiveSTRONG participant.



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Erin added that while her doctors saved her life as a patient LiveSTRONG has saved her life as a survivor.

Another cancer survivor and program participant Patty D. said she can not say enough about the LiveStrong program that she joined this fall.

“I was diagnosed with breast cancer two years ago, and because of the treatments and surgeries, not only have I lost muscle strength, range of motion

experienced a sense of isolation with difficulty navigating my way to “normal” as before,” she said.

Patty said this program has been a life saver for her and praised the work of Cook.

“(Stepahnie), you are an excellent coach, cheerleader and trainer with an abundance of wonderful energy and compassion,” said Patty. “I feel like I have finally taken the first steps towards a strong and balanced life now that I am a part of the LiveStrong program. I do hope that the program continues for many years into the future as it is a gift for all of us who have experienced cancer in our lives.”

The East Boston LiveSTRONG at the East Boston YMCA Starts Sept. 30, and the times are Monday/Wednesday 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Monday/Wednesday 5:30-6:45 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday 7-8:15 a.m. Contact Stephanie Cook at [scook@ymcaboston.org](mailto:scook@ymcaboston.org) for more details or to sign up.



Above LiveSTRONG participants show off their official “Survivor” shirts and below the group with their trainer Stephanie Cook (second from left).



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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### GREENWAY COUNCIL MEETING SET FOR SEPT. 26

The next Greenway Council meeting will be on Thursday, Sept. 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center (395 Maverick Street, East Boston, MA). Below is the agenda.

**AGENDA**

Welcome and Introductions (5 minutes)

Police Report (5 minutes)

Greenway renaming update + Event (October 26th) (10 minutes)

Massport vehicles on the Greenway (5 minutes)

Massport path markings (5 minutes)

Byron St Bridge (10 minutes)

Gove Street Update (5 minutes)

Greenway Extensions Update (5 minutes)

Other Topics (5 minutes)

### CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE EAST BOSTON BRANCH LIBRARY

Little Groove Music

Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 10:30 a.m.

Little Groove presents music classes for toddlers and preschoolers. Come sing, move, play instruments and more. Ages 0-5, accompanied by a caregiver. Groups welcome.

Jackie Robinson: A Civil Rights Story

Thursday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m.

In this lecture, Anthony Guerriero, historian and Massport's Assistant Director of Community Relations will explore Jackie Robinson's role and importance in the Civil Rights movement. Robinson is one of the iconic players in Major League Baseball History. His arrival in 1947 not only changed the game of baseball, it also changed American society. Yet, why is Jackie Robinson rarely mentioned as a key figure in this historic movement. Join historian Anthony Guerriero as he explores the answers to this important question. Sponsored by the Friends of the East Boston Branch Library.

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### LIZZIE BORDEN AND THE 40 WHACKS

The Delvena Theatre Company will be presenting Lizzie Borden and the 40 Whacks at the Boston Public Library, East Boston Branch, 365 Bremen Street, Boston, MA on Thursday, October 3, at 6 p.m..

On a scorching hot day in Fall River, back in August of 1892, a heinous crime occurred. Spinster Lizzie Borden was accused, tried and acquitted of the vicious axe murders of her father and stepmother. This true unsolved mystery has fascinated people for over 100 years. Two people died on that day in 1892, but Lizzie continues to live on in American folklore.

An edutainment production, written by Fran Baron and directed by Joseph Zamparelli, the show will feature Lynne Moulton and Joseph Zamparelli in multiple roles. The performance includes a mock trial that invites the audience to participate by questioning Lizzie and deciding her guilt or innocence. Did she or didn't she? You be the judge on October 3rd at the Boston Public Library, East Boston Branch.

Lynne Moulton has performed several roles for Delvena Theatre including her IRNE nominated Martha in Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? and Sissy in

Piece of My Heart and also for numerous other theatre companies in the New England area. She received her acting training at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art under the direction of Sir Robert Palmer and at Trinity Rep Conservatory.

Joseph Zamparelli is a professional actor, director and producer. A graduate of Boston College (Psychology/Theater Arts) he went on to the professional training program at Circle in the Square Theater School in NYC. In addition to commercial film and television work, he is Producing/Artistic Director of BostonAlive.

The Delvena Theatre Company was founded in 1992 and has performed at various venues, most often at the Boston Center for the Arts. The company was nominated for five Independent Reviewers of New England awards. Its production of 'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?' was on Theatre Mirror's Best List for acting, directing and production. Presentations of 'Anna Weiss' and 'Beyond Therapy' were included on Theatre Mirror's best play list and 'Blue Heart' was placed on Aisle Say's best list.

For more information, call the Library at (617) 569-0271.

### GOVE STREET CITIZENS ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

The next Gove Street Citizens Association monthly meeting is on Monday, Sept. 30, at 6:30-8:30 p.m., held in the Catherine Leonard-McLean Community Room at Logan Airport Rental Car Center.

- Welcome & Announcements
- Boston Police Updates – Sargent Martin & Officer Simons
- Office of Neighborhood Services Updates – Lina Tramelli
- Neighborhood Updates – Nat Taylor
- Presentation:
- Plan: East Boston Update -Kristina Ricco, Jason Ruggiero
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LOCATION: The Catherine Leonard-McLean (formerly Noddle Island) Community Room is located on the first floor of the Logan Airport Rental Car Center, situated at the end of Porter Street. Free event parking in front of the building and in the Porter Street parking lot adjacent to the building.

### THE JPNA FALL FLING IS BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

By popular demand, the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association is bringing back the Fall Fling, their neighborhood cocktail party to encourage local residents to meet one another.

The Fall Fling will be on Thursday, October 3, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Embassy Suites at Boston Logan Airport. Tickets are on sale for a cost of \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door.

Tickets are available on Eventbrite, or the JPNA webpage at, [www.jeffriespoint.org](http://www.jeffriespoint.org). A variety of restaurants with easy access to Jeffries Point are being asked to participate, providing food tastings.

"Neighbors want the chance to meet other neighbors" stated Margaret Farmer, Co-Chair.

"Hopefully, everyone will meet someone on their street they didn't know before!" JPNA Vice Chair Rachel Blomerth added, "We really appreciate the sponsorship of Embassy Suites, Portside Development and the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center to make this event possible."

Ryan Persac of The Persac Group real estate is the "King of the Bar", sponsoring an open beer and wine bar from 7 to 8 p.m. for all attendees. There will be a full cash bar available for the entire event as well. The event was last held in 2016, when residents gathered at CrossFit Jeffries Point.

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### EAST BOSTON SOCIAL CENTER'S SENIOR PROGRAM 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 10 a.m. in Room 209. All are welcome to attend. Class is taught by Mr. Montaro. No need to register, just come by on Wednesday at 10 a.m. for this fun class. The East Boston Social Centers is located at 68 Central Square.

### LEARN ITALIAN FREE

The class will be held at Robert DeLeo Senior Center, 35 Harvard Street Winthrop for residents age 60 and above.

Whether you have Italian ancestry, or just want to learn one of the world's most beautiful languages, join us at in-

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Community Meetings

Harbor View Neighborhood Association

First Monday of every month

6:30 p.m. at the Edward Brooke Charter School, 145 Byron St.

Kiwanis Club of East Boston

First and Third Tuesday of every month

6 p.m. at Spinelli's Restaurant in Day Square. New members welcome

Orient Heights Neighborhood Association

Third Monday of every month.

6:30 p.m. at Ashley Street YMCA, 54 Ashley St.

Friend of the East Boston Greenway

Fourth Thursday of every month.

6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center, 395 Maverick St. All are welcome to attend.

Maverick Central Neighborhood Association

Third Wednesday of every month

7 p.m. at Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris St.

Gove Street Citizens Association

Fourth Monday of every month

6:30 p.m. at the Noddle Island Community Room, Logan Rental Car Center

Eagle Hill Civic Association

Last Wednesday of every month

7 p.m. at East Boston High School Cafeteria, 86 White St.

JPNA monthly meeting

The Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association will hold its September meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club starting at 7 p.m.

The agenda for the Tuesday Sept. 10 monthly meeting of the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association is below:

Odd-Year Board Swearing-In

Police - Slide Show

Lina Tramel with the Mayor's Office

Boston City Council At Large Candidates

Please note, the meeting is on TUESDAY because of the Labor Day holiday. Questions can be directed to [board@jeffriespoint.org](mailto:board@jeffriespoint.org)

formal and friendly Italian language and culture classes. Wednesday afternoons from 1:15 to 2:45 p.m.

For info call 617-846-8538.

### EBHS 50th REUNION ON SEPT. 28

The East Boston High Class Of 1969 will hold its 50TH reunion on Sept. 28 at the Winthrop Elks Lodge, 191 Washington Ave. Winthrop, from 7 -11 p.m.. The cost is \$50 per person.

Any classmate who has

not received a save the date postcard, or for more information please contact Corinne (Caggiano) Barisano via email: [RON-NY731@AOL.COM](mailto:RON-NY731@AOL.COM)

### GRACE CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

Grace Church Federated is an Episcopal/United Church of Christ church located at 760 Saratoga St. in East Boston. All are welcome. Please join us for Sunday morning worship at 9:30 a.m., followed by a coffee hour. We also have a food pantry on Sat-

urdays from 10 a.m. until noon in the church basement. There are a number of ways you can help us to serve East Boston. Volunteer at or contribute to the food pantry. Sing with the Festival of Lessons and Carols choir. Bring a dish to the monthly Sunday evening community suppers. Participate in the Sunday worship service. Help with SundaySchool. Visit the Grace Church web site at [www.gracechurcheastie.org](http://www.gracechurcheastie.org) or call the church at 617-569-5358 for more information.

## Police seize kilogam of fentanyl in drug bust

By John Lynds

Two Mexican nationals were arrested and charged in federal court in Boston in connection with selling two kilograms of cocaine after a major drug bust on Sumner Street. Through a search warrant federal agents also discovered enough fentanyl to kill everyone and then some in East Boston.

Carlos Acosta Estrella, 31, and his mother, Ana Guadalupe Acosta Grajeda, 56, were arrested on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2019 and charged in a criminal complaint with one count of possession with intent

to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine.

According to the criminal complaint, Estrella and Grajeda were arrested by law enforcement agents in Eastie after they were videotaped selling two kilograms of cocaine to a co-operating witness. Federal agents executed a search warrant of the East Boston apartment on Sumner Street where the defendants were located and seized one kilogram of suspected fentanyl, one kilogram of suspected heroin, numerous cell phones, a high-powered tactical shotgun with a laser sight, and a box of ammunition for the shotgun.

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According to the DEA officials, two milligrams of fentanyl will kill an adult. One kilogram of fentanyl is equivalent to 1 million milligrams. The amount seized could potentially kill over 300,000 adults.

The charging statute provides for a mandatory minimum sentence of five years and up to 40 years in prison, at least four years of supervised release, and a fine of \$5 million. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

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## LET’S KEEP IN MIND THE FACTS ABOUT HEALTH CARE COSTS IN THIS COUNTRY

The issue of national health care is now front and center in the debate among the presidential candidates of both parties, with each offering their vision of what should be done about this important issue.

Some favor a repeal of Obamacare, some wish to improve upon it, and still others want to implement a “Medi-care for all” system.

However, regardless of where one stands on the issue, it is important to keep in mind some basic facts about the costs of the present health care system in this country.

The United States presently spends far more on health care than any other nation in the world. Our health care costs amount to a whopping 17 percent of our gross national product, compared to 10 percent for countries in Europe and elsewhere that offer national health insurance. Ironically however, despite our huge expenditures, we rate near the bottom among developed nations in every category of measures of national health.

Moreover, gaps in our present health insurance system either leave many uncovered or underinsured. As a result, millions of Americans go bankrupt or become impoverished every year when faced with a catastrophic illness because they lack adequate health insurance.

Job mobility, which is a significant factor in the ability of employees to improve their financial circumstances, is hindered because of the lack of a uniform national health insurance system. The fear of losing their existing health insurance prevents millions of Americans from either taking a new job or starting their own business. Study after study has shown that our economy is being weighed down by the burden of a health insurance system that is inefficient and inflexible.

The costs of a Medicare-for-all system frequently are cited by those opposed to a national health insurance plan, but that is only one side of the equation.

The profits of the health insurance industry, about \$20 billion annually, are cited by proponents of Medicare-for-all, but think about this figure: The gross revenues of the health insurance industry are about \$500 billion. In other words, a half a trillion dollars is being spent annually in our health care system for a product that contributes nothing to anybody’s health or well-being, other than increasing the wealth of the shareholders of the health insurance industry.

In short, Medicare-for-all in nations throughout the world is both more cost-efficient and produces better overall health outcomes for the citizens of those countries compared to the U.S.

When the various candidates discuss their solutions to the health-care crisis in our country, every voter should keep those two facts uppermost in mind.

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GUEST OP-ED

## Saving for your child’s future can be overwhelming, but Boston is here to help

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

The start of kindergarten marks the beginning of a child’s educational future and here in Boston we believe nothing should hinder a child’s path to success. That’s why, in 2016, and in collaboration with Boston Public Schools, we launched Boston Saves as a three-year pilot program. Our goal was to build strong career pathways by helping families of BPS kindergarteners save money for their children’s college or career training. Throughout those three years, our efforts worked. We provided children’s savings accounts to 1,600 students from eleven BPS schools for a total of \$80,000.

Beginning this fall, Boston Saves will expand city-wide, providing more families with the tools to invest in their children’s future. The program provides each kindergartener enrolled in BPS with a savings account, automatically started with \$50.00. This money can then be used to help pay for the costs of college or career training once a student finishes high school.

Families have the opportunity to grow the money in their child’s Boston Saves account by earning Boston



Saves Dollars for specific actions that plan for the future. For example, if a family saves \$25 for their child in a three-month period, Boston Saves will add another \$5 to their child’s account. All told, families can earn up to \$65 in incentives for their child’s Boston Saves account in the program’s first year. Another way families can earn Boston Saves Dollars is by reading with their child for 20 minutes a day for 20 days per month in a three-month period. Once the reading is complete, families can fill out a reading self-reporting form and earn \$5 for each three-month period, or up to \$20 per year.

Families can also view their child’s Boston Saves account on an online platform, called the Savings Center, which will open

later this fall. When families use this platform to link their own financial account to their child’s Boston Saves account, they will be able to track all their savings for their child in one convenient place online. This will add an additional \$25 Boston Saves Dollars to their child’s account.

We understand that saving for a child’s future is a collaborative effort that includes financial education, planning and ongoing support services. Boston Saves recruits program partners, such as nonprofits and financial institutions, to offer resources that range from financial education activities for students to college planning and credit-building workshops for their families. Peer support is also available through Family Champions, trusted

family members in a school community who are trained by Boston Saves. Family Champions are able to explain the program to fellow families and encourage their saving progress – often in families’ native languages.

Children’s savings accounts are building blocks of financial education for both children and their families. By equipping the youngest generation of Boston residents with these resources, we are investing in our City. There is no better time than now to begin saving for the future.

We are grateful to the many partner organizations who made the expansion of Boston Saves possible, including the Eos Foundation, Berkshire Bank, Boston Builds Credit, Boston Educational Development Foundation, Collatos Family Foundation, City of Boston Credit Union, Commonwealth, Inversant, Junior Achievement, Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority, Metro Credit Union, National Grid, ReadBoston, Rockland Trust Back, Tech Goes Home and The Boston Foundation.

*Martin J. Walsh is the Mayor of Boston.*

## Mayor’s fall Pumpkin Float set for Oct. 18

Mayor Martin J. Walsh has announced the return of the annual Fall Pumpkin Float at the Boston Common Frog Pond on Friday, Oct. 18, from 5 to 8 p.m. Hundreds of illuminated jack-o’-lanterns will be floated on the water accompanied by spooky family activities.

Attendees are asked to bring 8-inch or smaller carved pumpkins that will be lit and then floated on the Frog Pond for a dramatic early evening display. Adults and children are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes and participate in a wide range of fun activities. Test your courage in our haunted zombie maze, take a ride on the Spooky Mansion Slide, experience the Jumpin’ Pumpkin, try your skills at the bean bag toss, and enjoy nighttime fun on our LED swings and seesaws.

Your opinions, please

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ton Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the Skating Club of Boston. The title sponsor is Capital One, key sponsors are HP Hood LLC, Polar Beverages, and L.L. Bean, and the media sponsor is Magic 106.7. Additional support is provided by Perfect Parties.

This free family-friendly event will also include glow-in-the-dark games, children’s crafts, games and giveaways by Magic

106.7, and scarily delicious snacks and refreshments provided by Power Crunch Bars, KIND Snacks, and HP Hood LLC. A monster mash of science activities will include the Massachusetts Horticulture Society, giant bubbles with the “Bubble Guy” Jim Dichter, and Halloween giveaways.

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

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EAST BOSTON CHAMBER’S EASTIE WOMEN CONNECT EVENT

Last Tuesday the East Boston Chamber hosted a ‘Eastie Women Connect’ event at the East Boston Beauty Academy in Day Square.

The event featured keynote speaker, Rep. Adrian Madaro, who talked about the importance of small business and the role women small business owners have played in Eastie’s past and future.



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Rep. Adrian Madaro was the keynote speaker at the event.



The event celebrated the role of women in Eastie’s business community.



After speaking Rep. Adrian Madaro spoke one on one with many of the women business owners.



Chamber President Jim Kearney, Chamber Executive Assistant Karina Hicks, Rep. Adrian Madaro and East Boston Beauty Academy owner Amanda Donis.



Sherri Raftery-Patton and Christine O’Kefe.



Chamber President Jim Kearney during the event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro listens to concerns from the business community.



Christine O’Kefe (right) welcomes attendees to the event.



Chamber Executive Assistant Karina Hicks, East Boston Beauty Academy owner Amanda Donis and Shirley Fabio.

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Community Meeting

PLAN: East Boston

Where We’ve Been and Where We’re Going

Tuesday, October 8  
6:30 - 8:00 PM

68 Central Square  
East Boston Social Center  
East Boston, MA 02128

**Event Description:**

Please join us for a meeting to review the planning process to date, and preview future community discussions. PLAN: East Boston is shifting focus from neighborhood-wide topics to specific types of areas within the neighborhood. The event will introduce three primary types of areas: Neighborhood Residential, Mixed-Use Nodes and Corridors, and Waterfront Industrial and Economic Development Areas. Future discussions will focus on understanding neighborhood priorities in these areas. This event is part of PLAN: East Boston, a long-range planning initiative that, when complete, will update East Boston neighborhood planning, will deliver a transportation action plan, and will recommend changes to East Boston zoning.

Light refreshments, translated materials, and interpretation services will be provided.

**Contact:**  
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ANNUAL ZUMIX RADIO BLOCK PARTY

On Saturday, Sept. 7 Zumix hosted its annual Zumix Radio Black Party.

The afternoon-long event included live music, food, dance performances and a whole host of activities for the entire neighborhood.



Musical act Keytar Bear performs.



Angelina Botticelli, who graduated Zumix in the spring, gave a special performance.



The event included plenty of music and lots of dancing.



Neighborhood kids make gigantic bubbles.



Lil' Phunk Phenomenon performs a dance routine.




Face painting is always a big hit.



Kids chase bubbles down the street during the annual Zumix Radio Block Party..



LAST YEAR, IT HURT TOO MUCH TO STAND. TODAY, SHE CARRIES A NATION ON HER SHOULDERS.



At her clinic in Freetown, Sierra Leone, Dr. Olabisi Claudius-Cole treated patients of all ages with any condition, and would often take no payment in return. When arthritic hips and knees kept her from the rigors of daily patient care, a disaster loomed.

Dr. Claudius-Cole's sister led her to an American orthopaedic specialist, who had just heard rocker/activist Bono issue his mandate for caring people everywhere to step up and make a difference. As he listened to Dr. Claudius-Cole, he saw his own chance to do just that. Donating his own surgical services, he helped mobilize an entire medical team to get Dr. Claudius-Cole back on her feet. He even arranged free hip and knee implants.

Today, Dr. Claudius-Cole is fully recovered, and back at her vital healing practice in West Africa. Her story truly brings new meaning to the term "pro-Bono." We share it here because it sends two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back.





A group photo of the Zumix radio team and extended family during the block party.

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# Sports

## EAST BOSTON JETS VOLLEYBALL AGAINST BOSTON INTERNATIONAL

PHOTOS BY EMILY HARNEY



The team celebration after the win over Boston International.



Jennifer Delgado.



Maria Mancía.



Carolina Assis.



Evelyn Ocegueda.



Luisa Sanchez.



Rajai Ferguson.

The East Boston Jets volleyball team improved to 5-1 during a home match against Boston International on Monday afternoon. The girls won 3-0 in straight sets and haven't lost a set since their first game on Sept. 11.



Jaden Pacitta, Evelyn Ocegueda, and Carolina Assis.

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### MARIJUANA SHOP CLOSE TO APPROVAL

CHELSEA - A proposed marijuana facility at 80 Eastern Ave. will be a soup-to-nuts operation. Or maybe more accurately, seed to smoke.

The applicants for the proposal, Jolo Can LLC, doing business as Harbor House Collective, appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) last week for a special permit hearing. Harbor House Collective still needs to go before the Planning Board in October before coming back to the ZBA in November for potential approval of the project.

While proposals for several retail marijuana shops have come before city officials, the 80 Eastern Ave. project differs in that it will include a cultivation and packaging facility in addition to a retail sales component.

Harbor House Collective representatives stated the facility located in the Designers Choice flower market will use the existing 24,700 square-foot building to grow and sell marijuana and marijuana products.

“We are aiming to produce 5,000 pounds per year at this facility,” said Mike Farnum of Harbor House. The marijuana that is grown and cultivated will be for sale at the Eastern Avenue retail facility and will not be shipped to other locations.

“Everything will take place right here, we will be creating and cultivating all the products,” Farnum said.

Once city and state approvals are granted, Farnum said there will be a three- to four-month seeding and growing process before any products are ready for sale.

Initial plans call for about 35 employees at the facility with retail hours from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days per week.

City Councillor Joe Perlatonda asked if the employees hired by Harbor House Collective will all be Chelsea residents. Harbor House representatives stated that while they are not required to hire all Chelsea residents, they will make a good-faith effort to make sure 50 percent of the employees are city residents.

ZBA Chair Janice Tataraka asked about security at the facility.

Security will include approximately 80 cameras covering all areas of the facility, and there will also be several silent security alarms and at least two security officers on duty at all times.

City Planning Director John DePriest said Police Chief Brian Kyes is satisfied with the security plan.

•In other business, the ZBA held a public hearing on a special permit

for a proposed nine-unit, three-story condominium complex at 75-79 Spencer Ave.

DePriest said the Planning Department supports the proposal.

“The petitioner has been working with the department for the better part of a year, and they developed a revised plan that fits in with the neighborhood better,” said DePriest.

Perlatonda said he was glad to see a proposal for owner-occupied units in the city to help balance the number of rental developments in the city.

The project will go before the Planning Board on Sept. 24, and come back to the ZBA for a vote on the special permit Oct. 10.

### NOISE STUDY READY TO GET UNDERWAY IN CHELSEA

CHELSEA - Don’t expect the jumbo jets to stop roaring over Chelsea anytime soon, but a new noise study could lead to a better understanding of sound levels and their health effects in the city.

The Community Noise Lab at Boston University’s School of Public Health is conducting the study and collecting data free of charge to the city over the coming year. Last week, Erica Walker, the founder of the Community Noise Lab, met with residents at GreenRoots to discuss the scope and goals of the study.

“This is a study that is being done not just in Chelsea, but in several communities across Greater Boston,” said Walker.

While there is an obvious interest from residents and city officials about noise levels from Logan Airport, Walker noted that the Noise Lab studies are about more than the straightforward measuring of decibels.

The Community Noise Lab’s approach is centered on community-identified noise issues, which it investigates using real-time sound monitoring as well as a downloadable phone app, NoiseScore, Walker said.

With the support of the community, the data is used to understand noise issues and their impacts.

“A lot of studies look at only how loud the noise is, not the frequencies and other issues,” Walker said. “We are also interested in noise that you can feel and how it impacts your health.”

Walker pointed to a sound map that she helped create for Boston, with one side showing sound levels, and the other factoring in the perception of noise by residents in different neighborhoods.

“East Boston is not one of the loudest areas in the city, but the perception of noise in the neighborhood

is through the roof,” Walker said.

In Chelsea, the Noise Lab’s study will include the use of eight noise monitors that will be rotated at different locations throughout the next several months. Those monitors will be placed both at the residences of volunteers, and at various municipal locations.

Walker said there are currently about 50 locations slated for monitoring.

In addition, Walker encouraged residents to download and use the NoiseScore app, which can provide real-time recording of noise levels for use in the study.

There is also a community noise survey she urged residents to take part in on the Community Noise Lab website at [noiseandthecity.org](http://noiseandthecity.org).

City Councillor Roy Avellaneda asked if the collected data will be able to correlate noise with airplane traffic.

“It won’t be as specific as that, but we can correlate (the data) with general air flight data over the area,” Walker said. She also noted that the study is about more than tracking noise from Logan airport.

“The data will be freely available to use,” she said. While the study probably won’t be enough to change flight patterns over Chelsea by itself, Walker said it will arm the city with information.

During the presentation, City Manager Tom Ambrosino asked when the noise study would get underway.

“We are just waiting for the greenlight,” Walker said.

“You have the greenlight,” Ambrosino said. “Go for it.”

At a City Council meeting earlier this month, Ambrosino also stated that there have been discussions with a Georgia firm to conduct additional noise testing at a cost of \$25,000. The City Manager recommended the Council approve using money from the City’s stabilization fund to pay for the additional testing.

District 1 Councillor Robert Bishop said he supports noise testing, but was against funding it from the city’s stabilization fund, which he said should be the last option for funding city programs and requests.

### INTEREST IN DEVELOPING LOTS

EVERETT - Everett Redevelopment Authority (ERA) members said they were encouraged with the interest in the parking lot parcels at Everett Square through the recent bidding process that has taken place through the summer.

After a meeting of the ERA, City Planner Tony Sousa said they had received five proposals from their Request for Information (RFI) they put out to the development world at the end of the spring.

“The purpose of the RFI was to gauge if there was interest,” he said. “Indeed, there was interest. We talked to other redevelopment authorities in Malden and Worcester and five proposals are pretty solid. Sometimes you don’t get any and sometimes you get a cou-

### CHELSEA COMMUTER RAIL STATION HAS GROUNDBREAKING MOMENT



City and State officials held an official groundbreaking ceremony for the new Commuter Rail Station behind Market Basket on Friday, Sept. 13. The new station will replace the old one and will provide much better interface with the new Silver Line. (L-R) Councilor Judith Garcia, former City Manager Jay Ash, Council President Damali Vidot, City Manager Tom Ambrosino, MBTA Director Steve Poktak, Gov. Charlie Baker, Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack, State Sen. Sal DiDomenico and State Rep. Dan Ryan.

ple. We have been told that three to five proposals is the sweet spot.”

The ERA had put out a previous RFI for the Square last year, and got back three proposals. However, at that time, the City had not yet been approved by the state for its Everett Square Urban Renewal Plan (URP). After having been approved for that plan earlier this year, they decided to put out another RFI. Only one proposal from the earlier round re-submitted, Sousa said.

Those who have submitted proposals include:

- Sal Sacro of the Sacro Development.
- Di Girolomo Cos./Rich Di Girolomo, owner of Braza Grille property.
- Legacy Building and Development/Charlie Zamuto, developer of the old pizza place on Main Street.
- Equity Residential.
- Chestnut Equity/Building Wealth & Communities/Boston Realty Advisors (Joint venture).

The RFI was specifically gauging interest in the parking lots in Everett Square adjacent to Braza Grille and the Sacro Tower. The City has called for a mixed-use development that would include residential and retail on the ground floor. There was a preference for developers who were willing and able to leverage relationships with adjacent property owners to combine parcels and create a larger development along with the parking lots.

“We were asking for developers that could develop the lots and also strike a partnership with existing property owners particularly on the corner of Everett Square – the Bouvier building is one of them, of course,” he said.

He said there is also a major preference by the City for developers whose proposals include retaining existing tenants in the buildings. They do not want to see businesses in the Square displaced by new development, he said.

After an executive session on Monday, the ERA decided they would likely hire an outside consultant to give them expert opinions on the five proposals. He said they would be working very hard throughout the fall to evaluate the five proposals, with the goal of coming to the City Council in November with a full recommendation.

This time around, Sousa said they improved their outreach using internal development channels and local media – as well as social media and e-mail blasts to prominent developers throughout the Northeast.

He said the RFI was just the beginning of what will likely be a re-make of the Square in a public/private

partnership that will include numerous parcels in and around the Broadway corridor.

“We are excited to get interest back, but also excited to get interest in the caliber of the different firms that put their plans and ideas together for the ERA,” he said. “It’s a good process and we’re committed. At this point, we’re rolling up our sleeves and we’ll be working with the consultant to help us evaluate what we received.”

He said they have not yet hired a consultant, but would be on the market to look for one very soon.

### CITY OFFICIALS GIVE PARKING UPDATE ON LOWER BROADWAY

EVERETT - Three months after Encore Boston opened its doors to the public, City officials met with Council on Sept. 3, to update them on the parking situation on Lower Broadway.

Prior to its summer recess back in June, Council meetings were dominated by concerns about how the casino opening would impact the day-to-day life of residents in Everett, not the least of which was the worry that residential districts would be flooded with non-residents parking along the streets and taking public transportation down to the resort.

At that time, some Councilors felt that the City’s focus on Lower Broadway was too small in scope and ignored potential issues outside of this area. It was agreed that the city would address Council in another three months to provide an update.

Everett Police Sergeant Joe Gaff and the Mayor’s Chief of Staff Kevin O’Donnell announced that the traffic and parking situation on Lower Broadway was “better than anybody anticipated,” something they attributed to educating the community about using public transportation.

“Everybody who’s put their energy down there is reaping the rewards. Businesses are happy with their business passes and sticker program,” said Sgt. Gaff. “The parking lot has only been full a couple of times. We’re working with rideshare companies. The police presence has really helped us. They were forced to work weekends for the whole summer.”

The sergeant also gave out some preliminary statistics.

Since opening weekend, the city issued 280 Everett resident stickers on Lower Broadway. They also gave out 297 visitors passes for

short stays, such as home healthcare visits. The City issued 31 business placards with time restrictions on them, of which seven were returned. Sixty-four one-day passes were issued for things like family gatherings where out-of-town guests need to park for more than a few hours.

“It’s not 100 percent but we’re working on it,” he said, adding that Friday and Saturday nights are the most challenging. “We are tweaking a couple of things. We haven’t gotten many complaints.”

City Councilor Michael McLaughlin, who had originally foreseen a nightmare parking situation for residents due to the surge in out-of-town visitors, admitted that the City had followed through with its promises.

“I was wrong,” he said. “I thought it was going to be chaotic down there and it wasn’t. It worked out well.”

Given the success of the parking management on Lower Broadway since June, Councilor McLaughlin introduced a resolution to bring 24/7 parking sticker enforcement to his Wards 1 and 6.

He said that the issue is now affecting neighborhoods beyond Sweetser Circle, on places like Main, Baldwin, Prescott and Everett streets. People are parking on these streets and taking public transportation, a problem he believes will only increase in the winter when people are less likely to walk places.

“Lower Broadway is proof that 24/7 can work,” said the councilor, stating that the City should look into how a 24/7 parking sticker initiative can be put in place citywide, taking Everett “section by section, so as not to overwhelm the whole city.”

Councilor McKinnon also introduced a resolution to expand 24/7 residential parking citywide, making sure that weekends are included in the wording.

Sgt. Gaff said he is open to expanding 24/7 parking sticker enforcement as necessary, but said he wants to wait until after the completion of the new sports complex, in order to see how traffic and parking patterns are affected.

O’Donnell said that the administration is open to an ongoing dialogue about parking needs in the city, and is prepared to address issues as they come up.

Council will be further discussing the issue at the upcoming meeting of the Legislative Affairs Committee. Council has also requested that the City provide specific parking statistics from each ward so that it may better assess the situation.

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# Kennedy //CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

dy and Joseph P. Kennedy III’s grandfather, the late Robert Kennedy, started what would become a family dynasty in U.S. Politics that spanned several generations.

“Her son owned a local saloon, became a ward boss, and served in the state Senate,” said Kennedy. “His son, my great grandfather, was born a few blocks from here on Meridian Street. His son served this neighborhood in Congress, and then went on to serve as President of the United States. I’m here because my family has always appreciated that story. Has known what it meant to be from a place and believe in the promise of this country. To know that their own history meant that not every barrier was broken down, not every hard path cleared, but that here, in America, there was that shot for any striving family. The chance to build a home, and to make the most out of your dreams.”

After touching on the Kennedy Family’s roots here, Kennedy laid out his vision for his U.S. Senate run.

“I know that, like my family, there are millions of others that are here, that believe in that chance,” said Kennedy. “That strive for that moment to provide for their families, and build a better future for the place that they call home. And I know that through fate, but often times through choic-

es made by this country, by our government, that those barriers have been erected, not taken down. That far too many dreams have been blocked or deferred, rather than realized.”

Kennedy said he runs to tear down a system that has marginalized millions of people in the U.S.

“I know that for the first time in modern American history, we have a President that is actively trying to make that harder. We have a Senate that instead of trying to harness the opportunity and potential of every person in this country, they’re trying to pull us back,” he said. “And I’m running for the United States Senate to tear that down, to fight back, with everything we’ve got.”

Appealing to the liberal crowd Kennedy said President Donald Trump has forced a reckoning in our nation but to meet this moment requires more than just defeating him.

“It requires taking on, clearly, a broken system that calcified structures that allowed him to win in the first place,” he said. “The daily acts of oppression and injustice that enabled 63 million Americans to think that he was a better steward of their dreams and hopes and aspirations. Our country deserves better. We deserve more.”

Kennedy said people deserve an economic justice where a hard day’s work means an honest day’s pay.

“Where you can provide for your family. Where a health care system means that you can get access to the health care that you need when you need it,” he said. “Where people can afford to live in the cities that they call home, the cities that they power. Where we have an immigration policy that is reflective of our humanity and makes our nation stronger. Where we have a healthy planet for our children, and their children. This is that moment. This one counts. For us, and for the generations that come after.”

Kennedy added that the challenge is far too urgent for him to sit and wait for somebody else to take it on—a nod to some Markey supporters that think Ken-

nedy should ‘wait his turn’ to run for Senate.

“I have traveled around this country over the past several years, and every corner of it,” he said. “And I have asked people to do more, to hold on, to fight back a bit stronger, to give every little bit that they’ve got. And so I will too, and I hope that you will join me, for every single day, to prove that the way you fight back against the politics of “you can’t,” against the politics of division, against the politics of doubt about what we can do as a country, is to bring every voice in, to lift every voice, and to believe that if you have a country as good as the people it serves that nothing will get in the way of what we can do.”



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III greets Eastie residents during his campaign kick off for U.S. Senate Saturday at the Social Centers.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III with Rita Sorrento.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III greets his dad, former U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy II.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III talks with EBNHC CEO Manny Lopes.



In an unscripted moment U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III's son, James, tries to make a speech of his own.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III with Ben Downing and his son, Malcolm.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III poses for pictures with crowd during Saturday's campaign kickoff.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III is greeted by Sheriff Steve Tompkins.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III talks about his family's roots in Eastie.



Eastie's Debbie White talks with U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III.



U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III stayed for a bit after his announcement to greet residents and take photos.



Former U.S. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy II arrives to the Social Centers.



# COMMUNITY VIGIL:

## *Remembering Those Lost to Overdose*

The impact of drug and alcohol abuse touches many in our community. If you have lost a friend, loved one, or colleague to this epidemic, join the EASTIE Coalition and EBNHC in a community vigil to reflect and remember those who have passed. Together, we can remember those we have lost, support each other in our grieving and healing, and destigmatize addiction.

**Sunday October 13, 2019**

ICA Watershed, 256 Marginal St, East Boston

Registration: 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Program: 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

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PPSC’s Sailing After School fall program a success

By John Lynds

For the past few weeks, East Boston students have been extending their time and access to the Boston Harbor through Piers Park Sailing Center (PPSC) after school sailing program.

The program returned to the Sailing Center in 2017 after a seven-year hiatus and has been thriving ever since.

Executive Director Alex DeFronzo said the Sailing After School is well underway and the wind and weather have been great for the students that will participate in the program through October.

“The program started Sept. 9, and runs through Oct. 17, with 48 students participating in two sessions, each three weeks long,” said DeFronzo. “All students currently enrolled in the program are from Eastie or Chelsea, and many of them come to the park early to finish homework before hitting the seas and learning the art and science of sailing. There are still a few spots in Session

3 which starts Oct. 9.” DeFronzo said Sailing After School is open to students between the ages of 10-18 and is a great time for students to advance their sailing skills. DeFronzo said students sail in the inner harbor and out as far as Spectacle and Long Islands to learn how to tack, jibe, heave-to, recover a man overboard, and more. The program is also a great opportunity for youth instructors to stay involved and continue to work for a couple hours each day during the school year.

“I first learned to sail in the Sailing After School program at PPSC 18 years ago, and it is my favorite because of how much the kids are able to learn in just three short weeks,” said DeFronzo.

This year the Sailing Center added an extra feature to the fall sailing programs.

“A Boat Bus has been added by PPSC to transport six East Boston students that go to the Eliot School in the North End,” explained DeFronzo. “Each day they

walk to Lovejoy Wharf and are picked up by PPSC boat at 3:20 p.m. to make it back to Sailing After School on time. The idea came from the Holt family, and the coordination of the Holts, Del Razos, Hamweys, and Muneras families has made for a successful new form of water transportation.”

The Sailing After School program is one of two fall programs PPSC was able to bring back two years ago. The other program, the East Boston High School Racing Team, also started back up after being absent from the sailing center for a few years.

PPSC has been a community treasure since opening in the late 1990s. A new board and leadership team established in 2017 was able to successfully raise the needed funds to keep PPSC going after some financial hardships in 2016.

Those interested in the after school sailing program should visit <https://piersparksailing.org/after-school-registration> for more information and to register.

Clippership Wharf to host first art gallery show Sept. 26

By John Lynds

Lendlease’s Clippership Wharf waterfront development project, which officially opened last week with much fanfare, will host its first art gallery show on Thursday.

Last year Lendlease made a call for art submissions from local artists for both the development’s outdoor public art space as well as the new contemporary ‘ClipArt’ Gallery.

On Thursday, Sept. 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Lendlease, in collaboration with East Boston’s Atlantic Works Gallery, will celebrate the opening of ClipArt.

ClipArt Gallery will highlight local artists in a rotating exhibition program.

The first art opening will feature East Boston: Present Tense, curated by Marjorie Kaye, and will be on

view until January 2020.

“East Boston has a proud history of being home to a thriving art community, and we are excited to continue that tradition at Clippership Wharf,” said Nick Iselin, General Manager for Lendlease Development in Boston. “The sculptures and gallery will highlight unique parts of East Boston’s history, and will be an attraction for both residents of Clippership Wharf and the public.”

The gallery, which will be curated and managed by the Atlantic Works Gallery, will be located on the ground floor of Clippership’s Slip65 Condominiums and will be open to the public on Saturday afternoons.

Clippership Wharf will also be home to two public art installations, the result of both nationwide and local competitions. “Islands,” designed by Volkan Alkanoglu, occupies a preem-

inent location on a newly created stretch of the East Boston Harborwalk and represents an interpretation of the five former Boston Harbor islands that form today’s East Boston. The brightly colored sculpture is fully interactive, inviting individuals to reorient and occupy the different shapes as they desire.

“Pillar” will reside in the courtyard at Clippership Wharf and was conceptualized by New American Public Art. The installation will tell two very different stories, evoking both the massive Lepidodendron trees found in prehistoric East Boston and the great Eastern White Pine trees later used by the shipbuilding trades on the East Boston wharfs, including Clippership Wharf itself. Plaques describing each vision will be at the site, inviting visitors to see which story resonates most with them.

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agency’s extended family that have either stayed in Eastie or moved away together to celebrate the Social Centers past and future.

“This will be the first annual Family Reunion and we’ll see if we can make this our signature event,” said Pasquariello. “It will be a similar structure as the 100th Anniversary that was held at Suffolk Downs. There will be food stations highlighting the diverse food we have here in East Boston at our local restaurants.”

Pasquariello said there will also be family and reunion-themed activities, an inspiring program and entertainment from East Boston’s legendary Smokin’ Joe Cheffro.

The event will also honor three longtime Social Centers supporters. At next Wednesday’s event the Social Centers will pay homage to longtime community activist Fran Riley, Luis Marin who grew up Social Centers programs and still volunteers on Fridays at the agency as well as R. Robert Popeo, Chairman of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.

Pasquariello also said the event will also give the Social Centers the opportunity to highlight the center’s strategic plan for the future.

“We just finished our strategic plan so we will brief the community on this,” said Pasquariello. “This will include a short video on the future of early childhood development in East Boston.”

Aside from raising mon-

ey for the Social Centers core programs money raised will also go towards some facilities upgrades and improvements as well as the plan to move three facilities that serve over half of the families to new locations within the next year.

“We also want to be able to start paying our teachers better for the work that do and be model for this in the state,” said Pasquariello. “So we want to build up a base to be in the position to pay people better in the long term.”

Another plan is to form some innovative partnerships with other education nonprofits with the goal of having all kids in Eastie enter kindergarten ready to learn and thrive.

“Right now our estimate is that about 60 percent of kids are entering kindergarten ready to learn and we want to work with the community and other partners to get that 100 percent,” said Pasquariello. “I think we do a good job and other providers in the neighborhood do a good job but we want to be able to support kids across the community regardless of where they are doing early education.”

Pasquariello also thanked the event’s co-chairs Thomas N. O’Brien, Founding Partner and Managing Director of HYM Investment Group, LLC; Elizabeth B. Burnett, Partner at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.; and Jeffrey S. Robbins, Partner at Saul, Ewing, Arnstein, & Lehr for their work on the event.



At next Wednesday's East Boston Social Centers 'Family Reunion' event the Social Centers will pay homage to longtime community activist Fran Riley (top), Luis Marin (above) who grew up Social Centers programs and still volunteers on Fridays at the agency as well as R. Robert Popeo (below), Chairman of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.



For more information please see the East Boston Social Centers Website: <https://www.ebsoc.org/new-events/eastiefamilyreunion> or call Marisa at 617-569-3221 x 107.

DISTRICT SEVEN POLICE REPORT

Monday, September 9, 2019

Around 11:30 p.m. in the area of 89 Falcon St., a 58-year-old male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault and Battery.

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

Around 10:10 a.m. in the area of 224 Faywood Ave., a 43-year-old male with an East Boston address was arrested for Larceny (Warrant) Around 5:30 p.m. in the area of Meridian St. and We. Eagle St., a 66-year-old male with a Chelsea, MA address was arrested on a Chelsea Warrant/Courtesy Booking for Chelsea PD.

Around 7:30 p.m. in the area of 49 Condor St., a 25-year-old male with a Salem, MA address was arrested for Possession W/I to Distribute, Class B, Drugs.

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Around 12:35 p.m. in the area of 192 Sumner St., a 30-year-old male with an East Boston address was arrested for Trafficking; Class B, Drugs 200 grams or more.

Around 12:35 p.m. in the area of 192 Sumner St., a 55-year-old female with an East Boston address was arrested for Trafficking; Class B, Drugs 200 grams or more

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Around 8:45 a.m. in the area of 69 Paris St., an 82-year-old male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault abd Battery, Victim over 65 years

Friday, September 13, 2019

Around 12:30 p.m. in

the area of 69 Paris St., a 62-year-old male with a Boston, MA address was arrested for Assault & Battery (injuries), Disorderly Conduct, Other and Trespassing Warrants

Saturday, September 14, 2019

No Arrests

Sunday, September 15, 2019

Around 11:50 a.m. in the area of Gove St. and Bremen St., an 18-year-old male with a Chelsea, MA address was arrested for Resisting Arrest and Disorderly Conduct.

Around 8:00 p.m., in the area of 532 Bennington St., a 20-year-old male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault and Battery.

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. SU19P1997EA Estate of: Diana Lynne Brady Date of Death: July 3, 2019 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Gail E. Brady of Weymouth, MA 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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COMMONEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate And Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617)768-5800 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Docket No. MI9C0797CA In the matter of: Euba Tafese Kassahun A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Euna Tafese Kassahun of Malden, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Euba Kassahun Tafese Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk

Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/09/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Maureen H. Monks, First Justice of this Court. Date: September 11, 2019 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT CITATION

G.L. c. 210, § 6 Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 Docket No. SU19A0165AD In the matter of: Frank Angel Tercero To: Alicia Tercero And any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said

Commonwealth. A petition has been presented to said court by: Francisco J. Tercero of East Boston, MA and Levi Tercero of East Boston, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms. IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: Boston ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: 11/07/2019. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: September 17, 2019 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 9/25/19, 10/2/19, 10/9/19 EB

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## OBITUARIES

### Jennie Sciortino

Passed peacefully

Jennie Sciortino passed away peacefully on Sept. 19.

She was the cherished sister of Lina Guarnieri, Joe Manfredonia, Fred Manfredonia, and the late Dolly, Maria, Leo, and Antoinette Manfredonia, Ella and Sue Salvaggio and Nina DeSisto; beloved daughter of the late Ferdinando and Anna (D'Amato) Manfredonia and is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Family and friends will honor Jennie's life by gath-

ering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Orient Heights) East Boston on Thursday, Sept. 26 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Friday at 8:30 a.m. before leaving in procession to St. Joseph St. Lazarus Church, East Boston, for a Funeral Mass in celebration of her life at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with Jennie being laid to rest at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden For more information, please visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com).

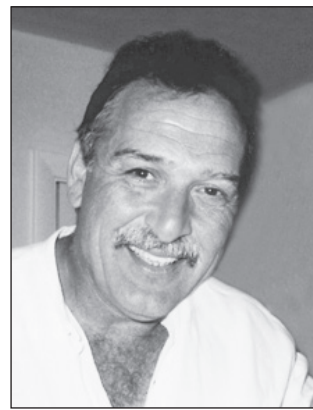
### Mario Olivieri

Teamsters member, long active in East Boston football and softball teams

Mario J. Olivieri of East Boston passed away peacefully at the Kaplan Hospice in Danvers after a courageous battle on Tuesday morning, September 17.

Mario was a 1970 graduate of East Boston High School where he excelled in sports particularly football and baseball. After graduating, Mario continued his love for sports joining the East Boston Stadium Football League and as a role player with the SDM Club Softball team. Mario was also a member of local teamsters union.

The loving son of the late Mario and Mary (Quararone) Olivieri, he was the devoted father of Regina Olivieri of Revere, dear brother of the late Louis,



Nancy and Frank Olivieri, former husband of Patricia Ciampa and cherished uncle of Lisa Balzotti and Louis Olivieri.

His funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Joseph-St. Lazarus Church on September 23 and services concluded with Mario being laid to rest at Woodlawn Cemetery.

### Rose Aloisi

Fiercely loyal, naturally inquisitive voracious reader and avid follower of local and national politics

Rose (Costa) Aloisi died at home, in the loving care of her family, on Tuesday, Sept. 24. She was 93 years old.

Rose was born and lived her entire life in East Boston, the youngest of the five children of Stefano and Antoinette (Schire) Costa. Her sisters Jennie, Mary and Connie, and her brother Peter, predeceased her.

In her youth, she lived the life of an immigrant's daughter in Depression-era America, a life focused on family and hard work and aspiration. In this setting she learned many valuable life lessons, as well as the frugal tricks of "cucina povera," a skill set that would eventually launch her on a culinary career of modest but impactful scale.

Rose married Jim Aloisi, a Medford native, four years after he returned from naval service in the Second World War. They settled in East Boston, had two children, and lived and loved through good times and bad through 70 years of marriage. They especially enjoyed holidays, centered as they were on family and food, and in retirement they summered in Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard.

She worked for many years cooking evening meals for the Salesian priests and brothers assigned to Domenic Savio High School in East Boston. In this role she expanded her culinary skills in ways that invigorated her and delighted her friends and family. The day she tossed cauliflower flowerets with lemon juice, olive oil and cumin, and roasted it on high heat with plump raisins, everyone knew she had moved beyond her culinary roots to a new place of creativity and satisfaction.

Rose was fiercely loyal, naturally inquisitive and

had a generosity of spirit that would often amuse and sometimes vex her children. She was a voracious reader and an avid follower of local and national politics.

Her son James and daughter Carol Ann would like to acknowledge the support and care of the Care Dimensions hospice team, and the home care support provided by truly wonderful people who seamlessly worked with the family to make a challenging time manageable.

Rose Aloisi is mourned by her husband and her two children who loved her, as she loved them, as much and as deeply as anyone can possibly love, their spouses Paul Rehme and Susan Ward, and many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends. The family strongly prefers that In lieu of flowers donations be made to either St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to Care Dimensions.

A Funeral will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere on Monday, Sept. 30 at 9:45 a.m. A Funeral Mass will follow at Sacred Heart Church, 45 Brooks Street, East Boston at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A visitation will be held on Sunday, Sept. 29 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons - Bruno Funeral Home.

### John Joseph Connolly

Member of East Boston Chapter DAV and former member of the East Boston Veterans Council



John Joseph Connolly, 86, a lifelong resident of East Boston, passed away on Friday, Sept. 20.

John was a US Army Korean Veteran, a member of the DAV East Boston Chapter 77 and a former member of the East Boston Veterans Council.

The cherished son the late John and Lucy (Palange) Connolly, he was the beloved husband of the late Marilyn (Nardone) Connolly, loving father of Brenda Connolly and Brian Connolly and his loving companion, Judee Chambers Walsh, adored grandfather of Robert and Sean Connolly and caring brother of Joseph Connolly.

Marie Barbetta, Carol Limone and her husband, Peter, Kathy Garcia and her husband, Joe and the late Patty Curtis and Lucille Taccardo and loving companion of Loretta Zullo. He is also survived by many lov-



ing nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

Family and friends will honor John's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach St., Revere today, Wednesday, Sept. 25, from 4 to 8 p.m. and again at 8:30 Thursday morning before leaving in procession to St. Joseph-St. Lazarus Church in East Boston. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. For guestbook and directions please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

### Alexander Struzziero

Of Chelsea

Alexander Struzziero of Chelsea passed away on Sept. 19.

The beloved husband of the late Cindy (Smith) Struzziero, he was the devoted father of John Struzziero of Billerica, Peter Struzziero and Jennifer of Weymouth; dear brother of Robert Struzziero of Scituate, Carolyn

Ganshirt of Billerica and the late Theodore, Ralph and Angelo Struzziero and is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

In accordance with Alexander's wishes, all services are private. For more information or to send an online condolence, visit [ruggieromh.com](http://ruggieromh.com).

### Lena D'Ambrosio

Retired executive secretary and arts patron

Lena D'Ambrosio died unexpectedly in East Boston on Sept. 17. She was 90 years old.

Lena worked as an executive secretary for several large companies in Boston's Financial District for over 25 years.

She also enjoyed attending the Boston Ballet. She was a great patron of the arts and always enjoyed completing arts and crafts projects in her spare time.

She was the dear sister of the late Louise Mackay and her late husband, William M. and the late Concetta "Connie" Vitale, beloved sister-in-law of Henry F. Vitale of East Boston, cherished aunt of William M. Mackay Jr. and his wife, Lisa M. of Stoneham, Henry F. Vitale Jr. and his wife, JoAnne of Jamaica Plain



and John R. Vitale and his wife, Muna of Brighton. She is also lovingly survived by many great-nieces and a great-nephew.

Private funeral services and interment were held at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Remembrances may be made to the charity of your choice. For more information, please visit [www.ver-tuccioandsmith.com](http://www.ver-tuccioandsmith.com).

### LASELL UNIVERSITY WELCOMES LOCAL STUDENTS

Lasell University welcomed more than 580 new students to its Newton, Massachusetts campus this month.

Megan Debona of East Boston became a Psychology student at Lasell this fall.

Katherine Henriquez of East Boston became a Psychology student at Lasell this fall.

Brandon Sorto of East Boston became a student at Lasell this fall.

Lasell University is an independent coeducational university that emphasizes a combination of immersive learning and social and civic responsibility in both its graduate and undergraduate programs. Established in 1851, the institution is located on a 54-acre campus adjacent to a hub of professional and educational opportunities in Greater Boston. The University's faculty practitioners offer rich industry expertise across more than 50 academic programs in areas including athletic training, business, criminal justice, health sciences, information technology, fashion, and hospitality management. A model for intergenerational learning, the campus includes two early learning centers and Lasell Village, the first-of-its-kind, university-sponsored continuing care retirement community with a learning mandate that has drawn international attention.

### NEW INCENTIVE FOR PASSENGERS WHO TAKE WATER TRANSPORTATION AT LOGAN AIRPORT

Passengers who take water transportation to Boston Logan International Airport will now get priority access at the airport security line. This new incentive is part of Massport's commitment to encourage more passengers to use High Occupancy Vehicles (HOVs) to the airport and reduce congestion.

Under the plan announced during the Massport Board of Directors' monthly meeting, passengers who take the MBTA ferry or water taxi service to the Logan Airport Boat Dock will be given a "Ticket to Skip" pass when they board a free Logan Airport shuttle to the terminals. The orange ticket must be presented to the security checkpoint staff in order to get preferred lane access and move ahead of the line. The MBTA ferry and the water taxis run year round and serve the Boston waterfront as well as Hingham

and Hull.

This new incentive program builds on the success of the Back Bay Logan Express (LEX), which was the first HOV service to provide the airport security priority access to passengers. Since the passenger perk began on May 1st, total ridership of Back Bay LEX has more than doubled to nearly 98,000, from over 45,000 during the same 4-month period last year. The fee was also reduced and a ride from Back Bay to Logan is now \$3, and FREE from Logan to Back Bay.

Logan Express offers four suburban locations in Braintree, Framingham, Woburn, and Peabody. By next year, LEX service will also be available for commuters at North Station with connections to the MBTA's Green and Orange lines, and the Commuter Rail. Other LEX locations are also being considered. Massport's goal is to double HOV ridership to 4 million annually.

For more information on the various ways how to get to and from Logan, please go to [www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-from-logan/](http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-from-logan/)

### METRO CREDIT UNION ANNOUNCES FREE FINANCIAL EDUCATION SEMINAR SERIES

Robert Cashman, President and CEO of Metro Credit Union, is pleased to announce the continuation of Metro's complimentary financial education seminar series focusing on investments and homebuying. The seminars will be held through November 12, at Metro branches and other convenient locations. A component of Metro's ongoing financial education programming, the seminar series provides in-class instruction and activities to credit union and community members throughout the area. By continuing to host financial education seminars, the credit union demonstrates its commitment to providing the services and tools individuals need to feel more informed and confident in their financial decisions.

The Social Security seminar will discuss the "rules of the road" for receiving Social Security benefits, ways to maximize benefits, the future of Social Security, and setting up a retirement income stream. Multiple First Time Homebuyer seminars will educate participants on homebuying basics, financing options, and the step-by-step process—from pre-approval through closing.

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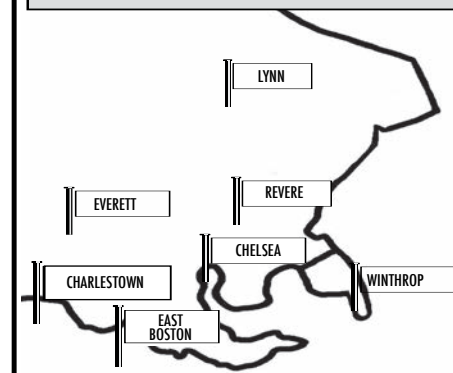
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