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The Boston Fire Department Honor Guard presenting the colors.

EAST BOSTON MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The East Boston Memorial Day Ceremony was held in Central Square on May 27 in honor of the 37,000 Massachusetts residents who lost their lives in service to the country since the Revolutionary War. Over 500 flags were placed in Alfred L. Bertulli Park and along Liverpool Street by officers of the Boston Police Department District A-7 in memory of those from East Boston who were killed in action since WWII.

“We are here because we hold space for every serviceman and woman who put the country and its people before themselves,” said Councilor Gigi Coletta. “We uplift Gold Star families for their sacrifice, as well. It’s

easy to lose sight of what today really means. Society immerses themselves in a weekend of leisure. What we should remember is we are able to lead lives of abundance and prosperity because of our servicemen and women.”

Coletta laid a wreath in honor of those from East Boston who passed away during WWI. She affirmed her commitment to supporting veterans and their families so that they may lead healthy lives of fulfillment and peace.

“It’s critical that we remember there are some who never came home. There are POW’s and MIA’s that we may never see or hear from again,” said Representative Adrian Madaro. “For families who are still suffering the loss of loved ones, I salute

you and thank you. To the brave men and women who served, I thank you for your service. Most importantly, we thank the men and women who never returned. Their sacrifice is what has made America

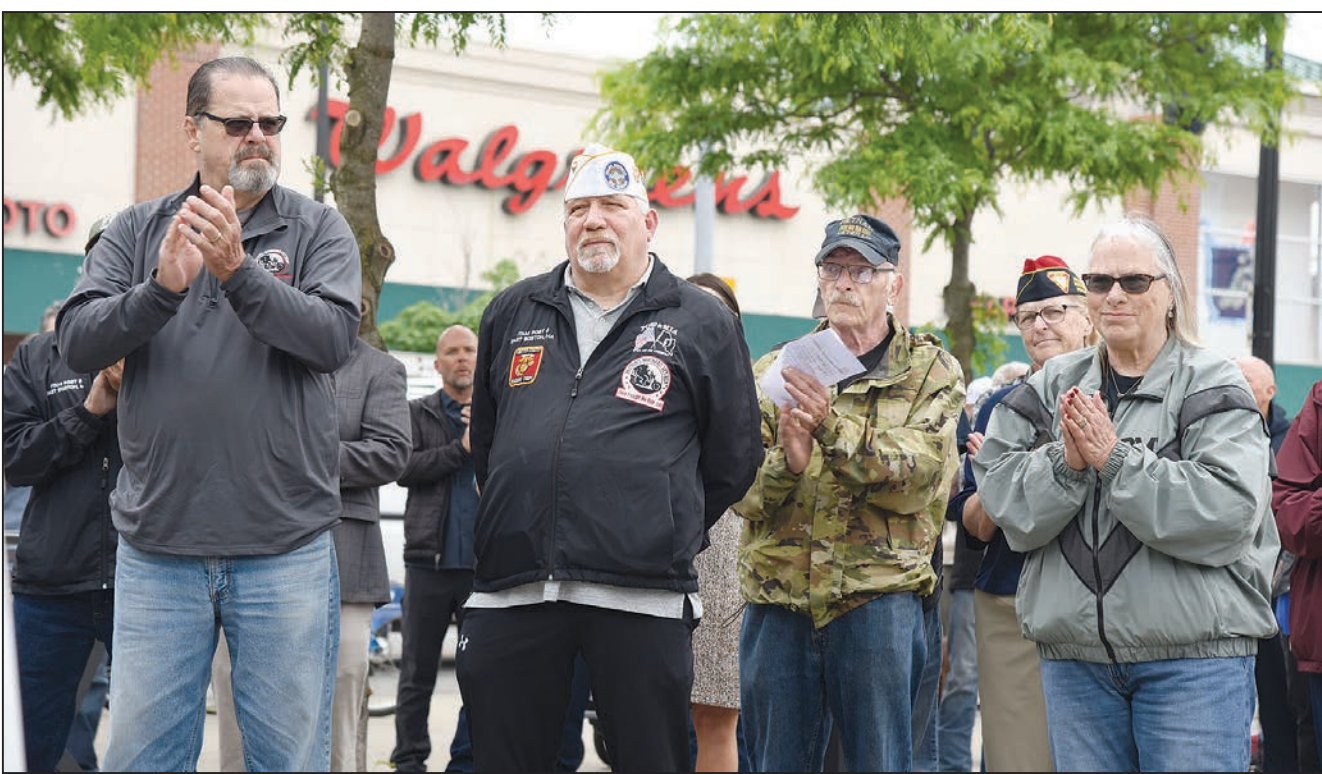
the beautiful country that it is today.”

Madaro placed a wreath in honor of WWII and Korean War veterans. He recognized Memorial Day as

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Rep. Adrian Madaro placing a wreath in honor of WWII and Korean War servicemen and women.



Mark Sperlinga, Tom Capobianco, Joe Forgione, and Debbi Shields gathering in Central Square during the May 27 Memorial Day Ceremony.

Shipyard investment plan discussed thoroughly at recent JPNA meeting

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Last week, Boston Harbor Shipyard & Marina’s (BHSM) investment plan proponents attended the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association’s (JPNA) planning and zoning meeting to discuss the project.

The aforementioned investment plan has been extensively discussed with the JPNA at the macro level for quite some time. However, last week’s meeting featured a presentation that focused on the next eight to 12 months at the JPNA’s request.

“The goal is to allow people to ask questions

that really go into the nitty-gritty details, and again, this is because we asked it,” said Margaret Farmer, Co-Chair of the JPNA.

To begin their presentation, Ann Lagasse, who owns the Shipyard along with her husband Chuck, introduced members of her team as well as Massport’s Chief Development Officer Andrew Hargens, who detailed the port authority’s role and the role of designated port areas (DPA).

Hargens, who expressed his excitement about the development of the invest-

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Madaro speaks at GSCA meeting

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

During the Gove Street Citizens Association’s (GSCA) monthly meeting last week, State Representative Adrian Madaro appeared and provided some information regarding what he has been up to recently.

To begin his presentation, Madaro spoke briefly about constituent services and indicated that his office has fielded requests at the city, state, and federal levels. He said, “No mat-

ter the issue, we field them all.”

“Never hesitate to reach out. It doesn’t matter what level of government it’s at. We work very closely with our partners at the city and at the state, and we all work together to make sure these things get addressed.”

After speaking about constituent services, Madaro outlined some East Boston budget wins.

“There’s 160 state reps;

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Chelsea Soldiers’ Home shelter hits one month of operation

By Adam Swift

Operations at the temporary emergency assistance shelter at the old Chelsea Soldiers’ Home hospital building are in full swing.

Earlier this spring, state officials announced that the empty building would be used as an emergency shelter for six to 12 months as the state faces an influx of migrants, many from Haiti.

The shelter is currently at its capacity of 100 families, or about 300 people, according to Alex Train, the Chief Operating Officer for La Colaborativa, the local human services nonprofit overseeing operations and services at the shelter.

“We’re working with all the families presently on what we see as immediate stabilization – ac-

cess to basic necessities, healthcare, immigration assistance – as well as dovetailing into intensive case management for all of them,” said Train. “The case management component focuses on helping families exit the shelter faster. It’s a combination of workforce training, ESOL classes, digital literacy, as well as financial counseling and housing assistance.”

Train said La Colaborativa does anticipate that as people progress through the program and gain employment and housing, there will be new families moving in for the duration of the project.

“From our vantage point, it’s been going remarkably well,” said Train. “We’ve been able to hire over 95 new em-

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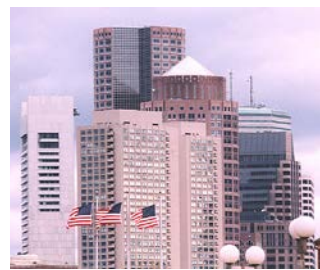
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EBNHC appoints Mazul as Interim Chief Medical Officer

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) announced the appointment of Julio Mazul, MD, as Vice President and Interim Chief Medical Officer. During his more than 17-year career at EBNHC, Dr. Mazul has served in several roles, including Medical Director of the Women's Health Department and, most recently, Deputy Chief Medical Officer. A practicing OB/GYN, Dr. Mazul has directed numerous organizational-wide clinical quality and population health initiatives, including reducing barriers to care for underserved women and families, and advancing health equity for the LGBTQ community through staff education and training.

"I believe Dr. Mazul's medical experience, dynamic leadership, and lived experience will help to advance our high standards of culturally responsive, high-quality patient care," said EBNHC President and CEO, Greg Wilmot. "Dr. Mazul has played a vital role in shaping the organization's clinical quality priorities; his decades of work in women's health reinforces our health system's commitment to caring for women and families through all stages of life."

EBNHC is the largest



Dr. Julio Mazul.

community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts and recently received recognition from the Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for its role as a national quality leader in community health care. In 2023, EBNHC received seven quality awards from HRSA, including National Quality Leader gold badge for excellence in Maternal and Child Health.

Dr. Mazul was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. He received his Bachelor of Science in biology and a minor in history from the University of California, San Diego. Dr. Mazul obtained his medical degree from the Georgetown University School of Medicine and completed his residency

in OB/GYN at the Beth Israel Deaconess/Harvard Medical School program.

"Serving as Interim Chief Medical Officer is a unique honor for me. While I am a doctor and a leader, I am also the son of Guatemalan immigrants; I understand what it means to be one of our patients and approach my work with that understanding every day," said Dr. Mazul. "I am proud to be part of EBNHC's talented team of providers and excited to be in a position to build a healthier future for everyone in our community."

Dr. Mazul assumes the position following Dr. Jackie Fantes, MD, FAAFP, who served as the system's Chief Medical Officer for almost a decade. EBNHC will provide additional updates on its long-term plans in the months ahead.

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, soon to be NeighborHealth as of June 1, 2024, is one of the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts, serving over 120,000 people and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a National Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC

has offered access to comprehensive primary care, specialty care and emergency care for patients in the Commonwealth. In a first-of-its-kind merger in 2020, EBNHC joined forces with the South End Community Health Center and expanded services to patients who live and work in Boston's South End and Roxbury neighborhoods.

EBNHC champions innovative care models to actively bridge health equity gaps in our low-income and immigrant communities with services unique from other health care providers in our state. In addition to primary and specialty care, EBNHC operates Massachusetts' only satellite Emergency Department, which is the fourth busiest ED in Boston and is co-located with advanced radiology, including CT scan services, same-day Behavioral Health Urgent Care and an integrated pharmacy. Today, EBNHC remains dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families, and individuals both in and out of the exam room by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services. For more information, visit www.ebnhc.org

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2024

A high school graduation is a singular event in the life of every community, where almost everybody knows one of the graduates or their families. All of us share in the happiness and sense of achievement of our young people who will be receiving their diplomas. And for all of us, a high school graduation brings back our own fond memories from our long-gone youth.

For the graduates themselves, their high school graduation marks both an end and a beginning. They no longer are children, either in the eyes of the law or in reality. They are full-fledged adults who will be leaving the sheltered harbor of their families and communities and setting sail on a journey that none of them will be able to anticipate, but which will be full of surprises, bringing both stormy seas and smooth sailing.

Yes, graduation is a bittersweet time, both for the grads and their family members.

For the parents who will be watching their sons and daughters step to the podium when their name is called, no doubt they will be thinking of how fast time has gone by since they first brought their child by the hand to preschool and kindergarten.

Such moments bring to mind the sentiments expressed in the lyrics of the song, Sunrise, Sunset, from the musical Fiddler on the Roof:

Is this the little girl I carried
Is this the little boy at play?
I don't remember growing older
When did they?
When did she get to be a beauty
When did he grow to be so tall?
Wasn't it yesterday when they were small?

We congratulate the Class of 2024 for all of the accomplishments that have earned them the right to step onto that podium to receive their diplomas. We know we join with all of the members of our community in wishing them blue skies and sunny days, both on their Graduation Day and in the years ahead.

DRIVERLESS CARS: WE CAN'T WAIT!

We recently returned from a trip to San Francisco to visit our daughter and got the chance to ride in the driverless taxis from Waymo, the company owned by Google, which has been operating in San Francisco and Phoenix for the past few years.

At first we were skeptical of taking a ride in the cars, which have received some bad press, but Kate (who has been using the service for a number of months) assured us it was perfectly fine.

The vehicles, which are electric Jaguar SUVs, make you feel as if you are riding with a luxury limo service. They are clean, quiet, and have leather seats. They also play soft, relaxing music, though you have the option to choose different genres.

Most importantly, the Waymos obey the speed limits, always signal when changing lanes, never rush through a yellow light, let alone a red light, and yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. In other words, the Waymos are far safer than human-operated vehicles.

The experience made us realize that driverless vehicles, guided by AI, will be commonplace in the not-too-distant future -- a future that will make our roads far safer than the carnage that exists today in which more than 40,000 Americans are killed and countless tens of thousands more are severely injured every year thanks to human operators who either are texting-and-driving, under the influence, engaged in road rage, falling asleep at the wheel, inexperienced, too old, blinded by the sun, disobeying the traffic laws, or are just bad drivers.

Driverless cars also will have a huge positive financial impact on our society. Auto insurance rates will go down precipitously (especially for young drivers), car repairs caused by accidents will be minimal, health care costs will decline enormously because of the decrease in auto-related injuries, and senior citizens will retain their independence.

In short, we have seen the future of cars without human operators -- and we can't wait!

Your opinions, please

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Special to the Times-Free Press

The Massachusetts State Senate convened this week to debate and finalize the \$57.999 billion Senate budget package, bringing significant resources to the residents of the Commonwealth, particularly those in Senator Lydia Edwards' Third Suffolk district. The community-focused budget achievements this session promise substantial investments in the essential needs of the Commonwealth's residents. Budget highlights for the Third Suffolk include the following:

Environmental Resiliency and Parks Preservation

A grant of \$50,000 has been awarded to the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh to support the implementation of critical environmental preservation programs. Additionally, the Friends of the Public Garden will receive \$50,000 for the enhancement of public bathroom accessibility infrastructure.

Recovery and Expungement Services

The Big Home Project, Inc. has been allocated \$50,000 to reduce recidivism through record expungement and workforce education. Furthermore, Community Against Substance Abuse, Inc. (CASA) of Winthrop has been granted \$30,000 to bolster substance use treatment programs in Winthrop.

Food Insecurity

To combat food insecurity, \$10,000 grants have been provided to each of the following food service providers: the Veterans Food Bank in Winthrop, Grace Church Federated Food Pantry in East Boston, Friday Night Supper

Program, Inc. in Back Bay, and the First Congregational Church of Revere. Additionally, \$50,000 has been allocated to support food services at the Women's Lunch Place, Inc. in Back Bay.

Arts and Sports Accessibility

The East Boston community has received a \$50,000 grant for the organization of the East Boston Latino Festival in the summer of 2024. Another \$50,000 has been dedicated to supporting arts education in Winthrop public schools, alongside a \$25,000 grant to the Winthrop Little League to help support the upgrade of the dugouts.

Housing Resources

A grant of \$75,000 has been allocated to the City of Revere to establish a pilot program offering grants of at least \$5,000 directed to eligible first-time homebuyers. This program targets individuals who have resided in a selected jurisdiction for a minimum of 18 months. The Crossroads Family Shelter in East Boston has been awarded \$50,000 to provide comprehensive mental health, substance use, and clinical recovery services for individuals and families affected by homelessness.

Translation Services for Winthrop public schools

Winthrop public schools have been granted \$200,000 in additional funds for programs that concern English as a second language instruction and technical support.

Low-Income and First-Generation College Education A grant of \$75,000 shall be allocated to Bottom Line, Inc. to offer college transition and retention services for low-income or aspiring

first-generation college students.

Health Center Coverage Equity

This legislative fix works to adjust reimbursement rates at health centers at Neighbor Health/EBNHC, Codman, Dorchester House, and South Boston. These health centers have large uninsured patient populations. Of the four health centers, EBNHC is the most impacted. Ultimately, this budget-neutral resolution will increase reimbursement rates resulting in up to \$3 million a year for EBNHC and up to \$1 million a year for the other health centers.

Water Transportation

By allocating \$7.5 million to ferry services the state senate made the largest annual investment in water transportation

in years. This has been a long journey in the district to ensure that we have reliable, accessible, and permanent transportation. In the FY23 budget, Senator Edwards obtained \$1 million to sustain ferry operations during the closure of the Sumner Tunnel. The following FY, she obtained an additional \$1 million to support transportation during the closure of the Sumner Tunnel. Today, the ferry is operated by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), another win for Winthrop. Senator Edwards continued her work to improve ferry services with additional funding and an East Boston stop. Sincere gratitude is given to the Healy

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EBCCS CELEBRATES FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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Twenty-three East Boston Central Catholic School (EBCCS) second grade students celebrated their First Holy Communion on May 24 at the Most Holy Redeemer Parish. Father Dan Zinger -- who explained God's great love for every person -- presided over mass and distributed the Eucharistic Sacrament. He described receiving Communion as God's spark entering one's soul.



Renés Castor and Ellie Bautista proceeding into church as the school choir sings "Let the Children Come to Me." See page 5 for more photos.



Lucas Betancur Ramirez and Ava McCleney entering Most Holy Redeemer Parish.



Makyla Baglio and Miranda Deleon holding white carnations on their Communion.



Alayna Mangone and Miranda Delson proceeding along London Street towards Most Holy Redeemer Parish.



Joshua Murcia Santos and Dariana Orozco proceeding up London Street.



The second grade singing a hymn.



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ment plan, indicated the difference between this project and others that residents are used to seeing in the neighborhood.

"This project is very different than development projects that we do, and you're probably familiar with, that are commercial or large residential in scale," he said.

"It's an industrial project — maritime industrial — set of uses in a designated port area." Speaking about DPAs, Hargens said, "The legislature set the land aside specifically to protect maritime industrial uses and the jobs — blue collar, diverse jobs they support in the commonwealth in the face of gentrification."

He also briefly discussed the process, indicating that the project might trigger state review from the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Office (MEPA).

Further, Hargens mentioned that phases of the project will go through Conservation Commission approval and that all of the proposed uses are consistent with what is allowed in the DPA and Chapter 91.

Massport will also use an internal review process at each phase of the project, which includes aspects such as engineering, the environment, and more. Also, whatever is built on the property is subject to inspection from the state as the land is owned by Massport and leased to the Lagasses.

It should also be noted that, according to Hargens, this project will not go through the Article 80 process "because it's not that kind of development project."

Following Hargens' statements, the floor was given to Marshall Greenland, BHSM's General Manager, who walked through a PowerPoint presentation that reviewed several topics.

The first topic Greenland discussed was updates from the Shipyard. He debriefed the last meeting BHSM had with the JPNA in January. He indicated that the topics were wide-ranging during that meeting and that documents requested in that meeting would be provided when available.

To view January's meeting in its entirety, visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rNgLNqsZwQo&ab_channel=JeffriesPointNeighborhoodAssociation. The East Boston Times also published a story about the meeting, which can be viewed at <https://eastietimes.com/2024/01/19/boston-harbor-shipyard-marina-returns-to-jpna/>.

After debriefing the previous meeting, Greenland provided updates about a shadow study stemming from a request from January's meeting and that more information would be provided at a future meeting.

Greenland also discussed adding a new restaurant to the Shipyard—Aloe Natural, which has a location in Chelsea — and Deme Offshore signed a lease for a new office building in a larger space in the Shipyard.

There was also a discussion about emergency repairs. "The Shipyard's been working closely with the Boston Conservation Commission to receive an

order of conditions which will enable us to make much-needed repairs to the facility on an ongoing basis," said Greenland.

Recently, Marina Pier approach platform repairs have been underway, and other emergency repairs will focus on damaged docks, sinkholes, pier decks, and more.

After the updates, Greenland provided information about upcoming projects that will be undertaken in "the coming months."

One project is the demolition of Building 17, which was first constructed in 1926, had an addition added in 1943, and has been used as indoor storage since the late 1980s.

"Building 17 is beyond its usable life; it's fallen into disrepair, which is making it a safety hazard for future uses," said Greenland.

He indicated that BHSM will work through the demolition process in the coming months and provide updates as it progresses.

Another upcoming project is a geotechnical analysis of the site. "Geotechnical data is used by engineers to determine structural designs based on the underlying ground conditions," said Greenland.

"The process is done by taking soil samples at various depths through small four-inch borings that are drilled into the ground," he added while calling it a minimal impact operation and saying it would begin in the next two to three months.

Finally, there are also plans to complete the design and permitting pro-

cess of Buildings one and two, which are proposed as part of the investment plan.

"Both of the buildings are planned to be used as tenant spaces for companies involved in water transportation and vessel repair industries," said Greenland.

To wrap up the presentation, Greenland provided information about upcoming events such as Kids in Boating Day on June 9th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Cinemarina on July 17th from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

BHSM also plans to have free boat tours to view the facility in the water sometime in June or July. For more information, visit <https://forms.office.com/r/rSGgaNDgRa>.

Following the presentation, the floor was opened for those in attendance to ask questions.

One resident, Mary Cole, had questions and concerns regarding the geotechnical analysis. "I'm very concerned about the test pits that will be excavated as part of the geotechnical exploration," she said.

Cole cited a previous site assessment of the Shipyard, which revealed soil contamination and findings of lead, arsenic, and PCBs. (<https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/Portal/#!/waste-site/3-0026551>)

Moreover, Cole cited

the plans for the upcoming geotechnical analysis, which she thought would include 2,000 square feet of test pits dug eight feet into the ground and eight soil stockpiles encompassing 6,000 square feet.

"What I'm concerned about — I'm concerned about potentially toxic dust getting kicked up from all this digging," said Cole.

She also pointed out that a similar project in the Seaport also had these types of concerns. As part of that project, Cole says Massport provided an independent licensed professional to protect and inform the community, and she wondered if that could happen for the BHSM project.

Matt Madden, a consultant from Tetra Tech, responded to Cole's concerns, saying, "The site has been assessed; there's an activity and use limitation on the site, and the test pits are within the authorized activities within the activity and use limitation." He also later indicated that the opening and closing of each test pit would be completed within a day.

Hargens also addressed Cole's inquiry about the Seaport project, indicating that Massport is completing it and that the site has PCB contamination. Hargens also mentioned he would look into the independent licensed profes-

sional information.

Another resident, Matthew Martin, asked if information usually available in the Article 80 process, such as square footage for uses, the amount of parking generated by uses, and more, would be provided, to which Hargens said yes.

William Jennings, who lives near one of the proposed buildings—Building Four—wanted to know about its uses and the project build, as he has young kids. He also asked about plans for climate resiliency.

Regarding Building Four, Greenland indicated they would be happy to share details as they become available and would work with Jennings when there is a tenant.

As for resiliency, Greenland, in part, said, "We want to build these projects and the infrastructure in a way that's going to last."

Ultimately, as the question and answer session progressed, several other topics were discussed, such as the proposed container village, the potential JPNA voting process, timelines, and much more.

For more information about this meeting, visit the JPNA website — <https://jeffriespoint.org/> — where a recording of the meeting, the presentation, and minutes are usually posted.

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ployees, including over 75 Chelsea residents to work in the shelter with living wage conditions with good benefits and stable income. Moreover, we've been able to employ a model of intensive case management and wraparound services at the shelter, which is really the first time this type of model has been used in the state's overflow sites."

Train said La Colaborativa is continuing to work with the state on issues such as access to healthcare as well as access to

various forms of immigration assistance.

"Overall, everyone is situated now and the families seem to be doing really well," said Train.

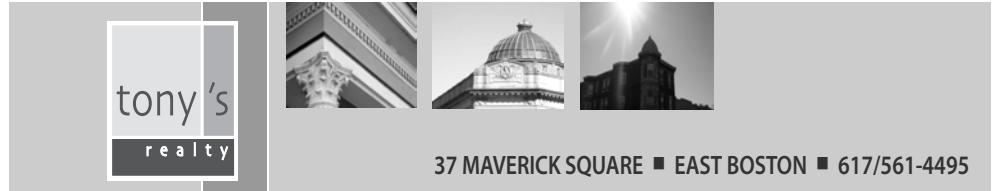
City Manager Fidel Maltez said he has heard no bad news or complaints, either from residents or the city's public safety team about the shelter operation at the soldiers' home.

"Our public safety team has visited the facility just about once a week to check in, and we have not found any issues at all with

the facility, with the way it is being operated, or with the residents there," said Maltez. "I have been extremely pleased with how well managed it is. I have spoken to the staff at the governor's office, and they are equally pleased, and I think things are going extremely well."

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Helena Maldonado Castano, Miranda Deleon, Ellie Bautista, Dariana Orozco, Kallee Gaglione, Natalia Vargas, and Carmen Guizar.



Kevin DelCid, Joshua Murcia Santos, Samuel Rendon, Jefferson Santos Barrera, Simon Gallego, Lucas Betancur Ramirez, Paul Bates, and Renés Castor.



Emely Pineda, Ava McCleney, Mirangel Velez, Samantha Villaquiran Rios, Zoey Guzman, and Camila Villatoro.



East Boston Central Catholic School choir singing responsorial psalm, "The Lord is kind and merciful."



Choir member, Alexia Palma.



Natalia Vargas reading the prayers of the faithful.



Kallee Gaglione crowning the Blessed Mother with the assistance of Samuel Rendon.

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June service changes: MBTA continues repair work to improve reliability across the system

The MBTA today announced service changes in June on the Orange, Red, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush,

Needham, and Haverhill lines. The MBTA will continue working to maintain its infrastructure and improve reliability across

the system. Riders can find more information on service changes through in-station signage, in-station public

announcements, and at mbta.com/alerts. Transit Ambassadors and MBTA staff will be available on-site to offer information

and assistance during these service changes. Riders are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts or to follow the MBTA on X (the site for-

merly known as Twitter) @MBTA, @MBTA_CR, and @MBTA_CR_Alerts for up-to-date service information.

On the Orange Line:

Orange Line service will be suspended in the following areas during the following dates and times:

As previously announced, between Wellington and Back Bay stations all day and every day for 10 days from May 28-June 6.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Wellington and North Station.

For service through the downtown area near Back Bay, riders are encouraged to utilize parallel Green Line service between North Station and Copley. The MBTA will increase Green Line service during this time to accommodate high ridership.

Riders are encouraged to consider the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line for stops to and from Oak Grove, Malden Center, and North Station.

This service change is in place in support of MassDOT's Maffa Way/Mystic Avenue Bridge Superstructure Replacements project and the MBTA's Track Improvement Program. The Maffa Way/Mystic Avenue Bridge Superstructure Replacements project will replace the

two deteriorated bridge superstructures and improve bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities. The Track Improvement Program will replace tracks and ties to alleviate speed restrictions along the line while crews maximize the outage by performing signal work and station amenity upgrades, including new lighting, painting, tiling, power washing, and more.

Between North Station and Oak Grove stations beginning at approximately 8:45 PM on Friday, June 7, and continuing all day and every day for the weekend of June 8-9.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between North Station and Oak Grove.

Riders are encouraged to consider the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line for fare-free service to and from Oak Grove, Malden Center, and North Station. Regular fares should be purchased beyond Oak Grove.

This service change is in place to allow crews to perform critical signal upgrade work.

Between Wellington and North Station all day and every day for nine days from June 22-30.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Wellington and North Station.

There will be free fares at Wellington and North Station with the fare gates open.

Riders are encouraged to consider the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line for fare-free service to and from Oak Grove, Malden Center, and North Station. Regular fares should be purchased beyond Oak Grove.

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On the Red Line:

Red Line service will experience service changes in the following areas during the following dates and times:

Red Line service will be suspended between Alewife and Harvard stations during the weekends of June 1-2 and June 29-30.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Alewife and Harvard.

Bus Route 77 will be fare-free. Riders are encouraged to consider the Fitchburg Commuter Rail Line for fare-free service between Porter and North Station. Regular fares should be purchased beyond Porter.

This service change is in place to perform track preparations in advance of Track Improvement Program work planned on the Red Line next month. To improve safety, reliability, and the customer experience, crews will perform track and tie replacement work; infrastructure upgrades; station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing; and more.

Red Line service will be suspended between Broadway and Braintree stations on the Braintree Branch during the weekends of June 8-9 and June 15-16.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Broadway and Braintree.

Riders are encouraged to use Commuter Rail express shuttle bus service from Braintree if possible. Express shuttle buses will operate directly between South Station and Braintree.

Riders should note that regular Red Line train service will operate on the Ashmont Branch between JFK/UMass and Ashmont.

This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary work as part of the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project and the Track Improvement Program. Originally built in 1925 and last rehabilitated in 1975, the Dorchester Avenue Bridge will be replaced to protect its structural integrity and ensure reliable service. When complete, this project will result in safer, more reliable Red Line service. The Track Improvement Program will replace tracks and ties to alleviate speed restrictions along the line while crews maximize the outage by performing signal work and station amenity upgrades, including new lighting, painting, tiling, power washing, and more.

The outbound/northbound platform at Ken-

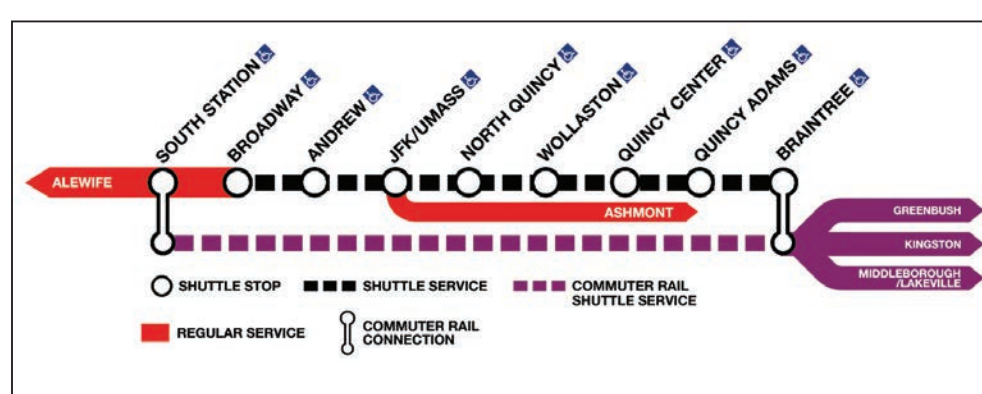
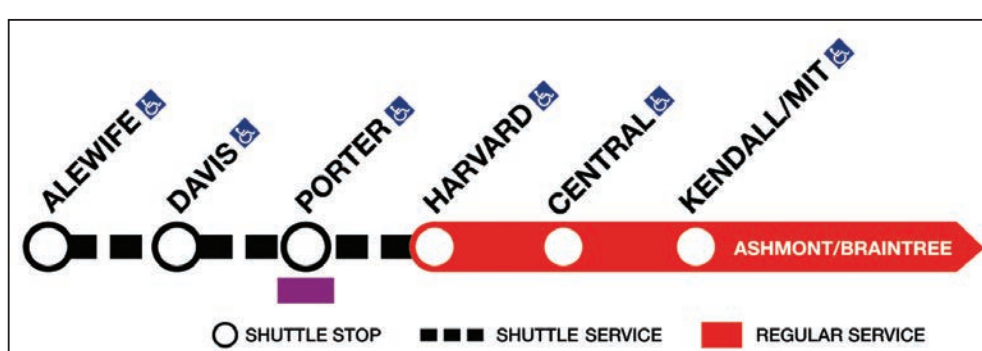
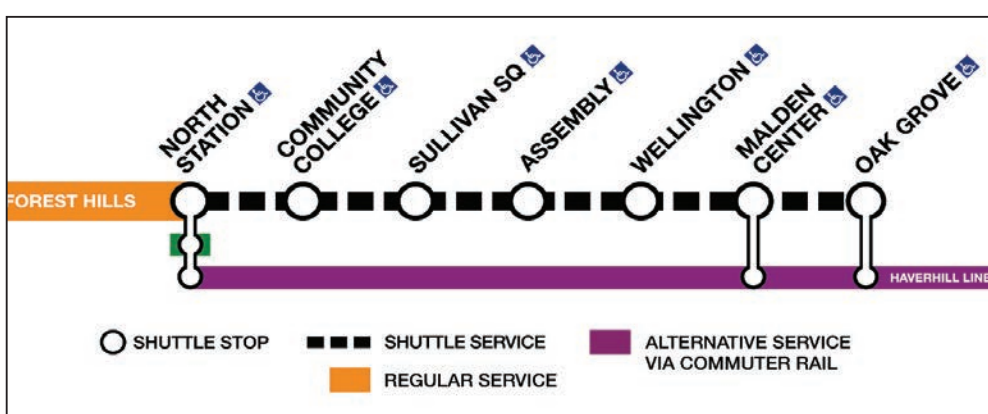
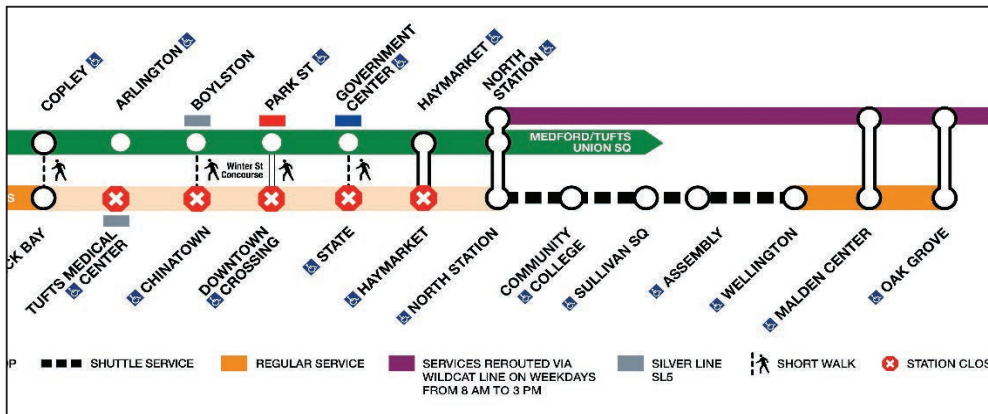
dall/MIT station will be closed beginning at approximately 8:45 PM on Friday, June 28, and continuing all day and every day for the weekend of June 29-30.

Outbound/Northbound Red Line trains will bypass Kendall/MIT during this time.

For outbound/northbound riders disembarking at Kendall/MIT, riders should instead travel to Central station to board an inbound/southbound train back to Kendall/MIT. The fare gates will be open at Central inbound/southbound for a free transfer.

For outbound/northbound riders boarding at Kendall/MIT, riders should instead board an inbound/southbound train, disembark at Charles/MGH, and travel to the outbound/northbound platform for continued train service. Riders can move between the platforms for free at Charles/MGH without passing through fare gates.

This service change is in place to accommodate the adjacent transit-oriented development project, which has partnered with the MBTA to rebuild and update the outbound/northbound Kendall/MIT station entrance.



ON the Commuter Rail

On the Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail lines:

The Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail lines, which run adjacent to the Red Line, will also experience service changes due to work on the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project during the weekends of June 8-9 and June 15-16.

Free and accessible shuttle bus service will replace all trains between South Station and Braintree. Express shuttle bus service will also operate directly between South Station and Braintree Station.

Passengers should note

that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses, and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, and Braintree Stations.

Keolis Customer Service Agents, MBTA staff, and Transit Ambassadors will be on-site at impacted stations to support riders.

The diversion schedule will be available online at mbta.com.

On the Needham Commuter Rail Line:

The Needham Commuter Rail Line will be suspended between Needham Heights and South Station during the weekend of June 1-2, the weekend of June 8-9, and all day and

every day from June 28-July 1.

Free and accessible shuttle bus service will operate between Needham Heights and Newton Highlands on the Green Line D Branch as well as Needham Heights and Forest Hills on the Orange Line.

Passengers can present their June mTicket monthly pass to Green Line operators and/or Transit Ambassadors to board the Green Line D Branch at Newton Highlands and Orange Line at Forest Hills.

Bus Routes 35, 36, 37, and 59 will be fare-free.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on mbta.com.

com soon.

This service change allows for crews to perform Positive Train Control (PTC) / Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. PTC/ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

On the Kingston Commuter Rail Line:

The Kingston Commuter Rail Line will be suspended between Kingston and Halifax station during the weekend of June 22-

23.

Free and accessible shuttle bus service will operate between Kingston and Halifax.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on mbta.com soon.

This service change is in place while Keolis crews perform work on the Landing Road Bridge in Kingston.

On the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line:

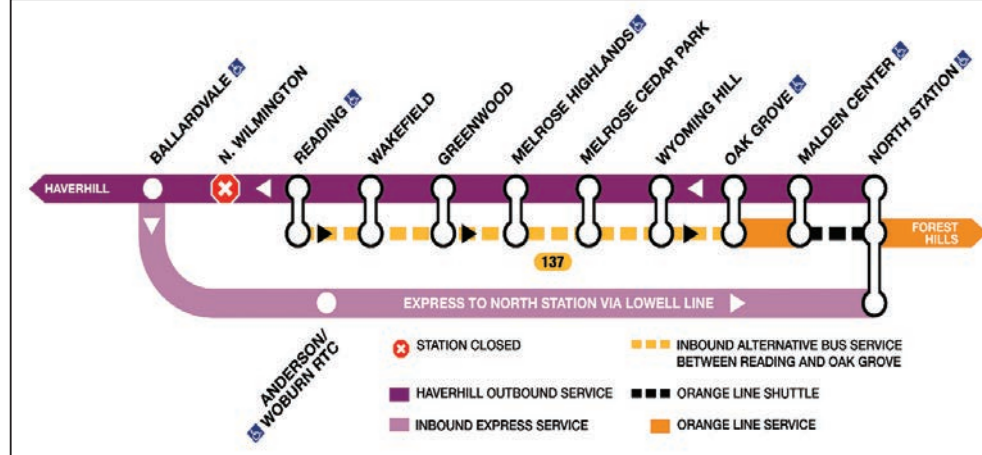
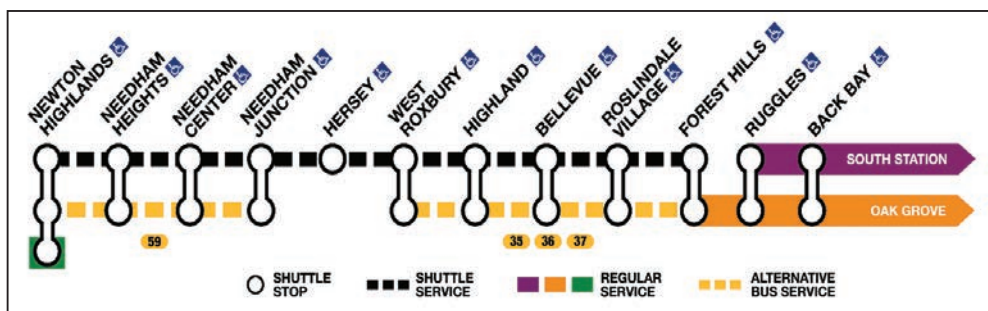
A special Construction Schedule will be in effect on the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line begin-

ning May 20 through the end of the summer. The Construction Schedule is available now at mbta.com.

During this time, midday inbound trains will operate express between Ballardvale and North Station.

For service to Boston, passengers are encouraged to consider a free connection with Bus Route 137, which operates parallel service.

Passengers may also consider connecting with Lowell and Haverhill Line train service at Anderson/Woburn station.



The MBTA previously announced service changes in May. More information is available here.

The MBTA understands how these service changes affect riders' daily travels during this period, but we are com-

mitted to improving your travels long term with more reliable, timely, and safe service. We thank riders for their patience as

we deliver this important work and for continuing to ride our system.

For more information, visit mbta.com or con-

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EBNHC to honor six exceptional leaders for their positive impact on the health of local community

Special to the Independent

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), soon to be NeighborHealth, is thrilled to announce the Art of Health Care fundraising event at the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA), Boston on June 12. This year's reception will include the 2024 Health Equity Awards where six recipients will be honored.

The Art of Health Care event allows EBNHC, the largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts, to provide greater support to programs and services dedicated to eliminating barriers to care due to social factors such as race, language, and economic mobility. All funds raised will have a transformative impact on vulnerable populations by supporting numerous EBNHC programs. This includes providing coordinated health and wellness care to children with developmental and cognitive disabilities;

supporting older adults stay healthy and independent in the community; and developing educational training programs for the next generation of healthcare professionals.

"The 2024 Health Equity Awards give us a rare opportunity to publicly celebrate six individuals and organizations who, through their work, have improved the lives of the communities served by our health center," said Greg Wilmont, President and CEO of the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center. "From the iconic MFA, we will honor leaders who understand the power of social determinants to drive health outcomes and have made addressing them a major focus of their personal and professional lives."

EBNHC is honored to recognize the following changemakers who have helped break down barriers to care for our most vulnerable communities throughout Greater Boston:

- Dr. Thea L. James, MD, MBA. Vice President of Mission, Boston Medical Center is to be recognized as Health Equity Champion for her leadership in dismantling medical mistrust in Boston's Black community.

- Alberto Vasallo, III. CEO/ President of El Mundo Boston is to be recognized as Health Equity Champion for his commitment to partnering across sectors to reduce health disparities in Boston's Latinx community.

- Dr. Gerald Hass, MD. Co-Founder, South End Community Health Center is to be recognized as Health Equity Trailblazer for co-founding the South End Community Health Center more than 50 years ago.

- Jack Cradock, President Emeritus, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is to be recognized as Health Equity Trailblazer for being an early and ardent advocate of community-based health systems in Massachusetts.

- Rita Sorrento, Chair, Board of Directors, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is to be recognized as Health Equity Trailblazer for her long-time healthcare, education and community advocacy.

- Seae Ventures, LLC, an investment firm specializing in early-stage healthcare technology and services companies, will be recognized as Health Equity Partner for uplifting talented entrepreneurs committed to addressing health and social challenges.

"These leaders inspire us on our journey toward achieving health equity and we are honored to present them with these awards," said EBNHC Vice President of Development and Chief Human Resources Officer Steven Snyder. "Just as an artist creates a masterpiece with precision and care, addressing disparities is no different; it is complex work that requires perseverance and creativity from all who champion it."

OBITUARIES

Debra White

A Great Friend of Eastie and its kids

Debra S. White of East Boston passed away in peace and surrounded by her loving family after a long and courageous battle with cancer on Sunday morning at the Kaplan Hospice in Danvers.

The loving daughter of the late Suzanne M Palma and Albert A. Palma, she was the devoted sister of Helen and her husband, Michael Gaeta of East Boston, Patricia and her husband, Paul Baszkiewicz of Quincy, Gloria and her husband, James DeVine of Stoneham; beloved aunt of Michael and Candace, Stephanie and Danny, Jennifer and Jimmy, Stacey and James, Nicholas and Hannah, James and Kaitlin, Caitlin and Steven and the late Nicole; cherished great aunt of James, Emma, Aislin, Daniela, Aria and Noah. She is also survived by many loving cousins and friends.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours in the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights)



East Boston on Thursday, May 30 from 2 to 8 p.m. Complimentary parking at front entrance. A Funeral Mass in celebration of Debra's life will be at St. John The Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St., Winthrop. (Please go directly to the church), Services will conclude with Debra being laid to rest with her mother in Woodlawn cemetery.

Due to Debra's love and devotion to the East Boston Community and in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Debra's name to the K-Trust Scholarship Fund, PO Box 503, East Boston, 02128. For more information or to send an online condolence, please visit www.ruggieromh.com.

GSCA // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

the budget is about \$58 billion. Of course, our roles are to advocate for important statewide things, but our roles as state reps are also to deliver a slice of that pie to our district, in my case East Boston," said Madaro.

These budget wins for the neighborhood include \$1 million for the East Boston Ferry, \$300,000 for Friends of the Children Boston, and \$75,000 for Maverick Landing Community Services.

Moreover, the East Boston Community Soup Kitchen, East Boston Mutual Aid, YouthConnect, the Veronica Robles Cultural Center, and Tree Eastie each are receiving \$50,000.

As his presentation progressed, Madaro spoke about some budget wins for the entire state. Regarding housing, \$197.4 million was secured for the RAFT (Rental Assistance For Families in Transition) program.

"This is for tenants; this is for small landlords; it provides short-term emergency funding to help folks whether it's foreclosure, eviction, loss of utilities, things of that nature," said Madaro.

Further, \$2.5 million was allocated for a right-to-counsel program pilot. "This provides an attorney to a small landlord or to a tenant," said Madaro.

"The goal is to not have this be a pilot as it is funded in this budget but for it to be a permanent fixture in terms of the resources our constituents can access."

There were also budget wins for the MBTA, totaling \$555 million in investment, which Madaro said was a record for the House of Representatives. Of the total, \$75 million

is for physical infrastructure, and \$20 million is for reduced fares for low-income riders — legislation Madaro himself filed.

As State Representative, Madaro chairs the House's Mental Health, Substance Use, and Recovery committee and spoke about some related budget wins.

These wins include \$1.18 billion for the Department of Mental Health — \$619.2 million for adult mental health, and \$131 million for child and adolescent services. Moreover, another \$10 million has been set aside for intensive adolescent services.

"We have seen skyrocketing reports of youth behavioral health issues coming out of the pandemic. Despite the fact that we're a little beyond the pandemic now, those issues continue, and so the House is answering that call and investing the money where we need to support our young people," said Madaro.

It should also be noted that \$194 million will be going to the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services, and \$14.2 million will go toward community-based and statewide suicide prevention efforts.

Following the conversation about budget wins, Madaro outlined legislation updates. In this session, Madaro filed 22 bills, 14 of which were reported favorably and two enacted (MBTA fare discounts for low-income riders and in-state tuition regardless of immigration status).

Hearings have been held on 103 bills in the House's Mental Health, Substance Use, and Recovery Committee. 77 of these bills have been evaluated and reported, and 26

are still under consideration.

Madaro also spoke about a bill that is passed annually to improve municipal roads and bridges. \$200 million will go toward Chapter 90, which provides municipalities funding to improve roadways and bridges, while \$150 million will go toward things like electric vehicles and bus infrastructure.

Madaro also indicated that an IT infrastructure bill and a Hospital reform bill were recently passed, and plans are in place to evaluate a Veterans Omnibus Bill and the Housing Bond Bill.

To follow along with these processes, visit <https://malegislature.gov/>.

Following the legislation updates, Madaro provided some reminders and updates regarding transportation.

He reminded attendees that the ferry is open through November 30th, costs the same as a subway ticket, and will be free during the Summer Tunnel closure.

Regarding the Summer Tunnel closure, Madaro indicated that the shutdown will only last one month — July — and will have the same mitigation package as last year, which includes free ferry and blue line service and reduced parking in MBTA garages for that month.

He also addressed the recent issues with trucks getting stuck in the Summer Tunnel. Madaro emphasized that the tunnel's height has remained the same even with the work being done and that the Department of Transportation is taking a three-prong approach to quell the issue, which includes new signage, GPS up-

dates, and finding ways to hold companies accountable.

"Not only does it cripple us in East Boston and trap us on our little island, it cripples the entire transportation network, so we'll keep working on this until we see some real results."

A Blue Line update was also given: the line no longer has slow zones. "We are now the only line in the T system without slow zones," said Madaro.

Some of the work done on the Blue Line includes replacing 22,500 feet of rail, over 9,000 feet of catenary wire, and more.

"Really happy with the work that was done, really grateful to all of you in the community for your patience, and equally grateful to the hard work of our friends at the T," said Madaro.

To close the meeting, Madaro shared photos of some of the community engagements over the past year, such as Eastie's Elves and a Thanksgiving Day dinner.

In the end, attendees thanked Madaro for coming, and he provided contact information for anyone who needed to get in touch. The next GSCA meeting is scheduled for June 24th.

For those looking to contact Madaro, email Adrian.Madaro@mahouse.gov or call 617-722-2060. You can also sign up for his newsletter at <http://eepurl.com/hw8jTH>.

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CITY PAWS

Garden tips for pet people

Last summer, our block had a serious outbreak of Pokeweed, a highly toxic and invasive plant. It started in one neglected front garden and quickly spread up and down the street. We warned neighbors with dogs and showed them photos of the plant. This was crucial to help them avoid it as they walked their dogs along the fences it leaned over.

This issue reminded us that gardeners and homeowners with gardens are not the only ones who must be aware of toxic plants, mulch, and garden chemicals.

What Are the Dangers?

The AARP outlined some of the dangers in an article on safe gardening for the whole family: "Pet owners who share their homes (and yards) with

dachshunds that dig, corgrigs that chew, Dobermans that drink from the bird bath and Labrador retrievers that treat the compost like a buffet (in addition to adventurous cats and maybe even some chickens) often go to great lengths to create pet-friendly yards where their four-legged friends can hang out without getting sick."

The AARP list of "6 Tips for Planting a Pet-Safe Garden" included some we've seen elsewhere, like learning about and removing toxic plants, reading directions and using garden chemicals and sprays with care, using safer options, and being cautious in your selection of mulch because some, like cocoa bean mulch, can be harmful to dogs.

They also added three tips that went beyond

common knowledge. They suggested you do your best to discourage ticks and fleas and protect pets allowed in the garden with treatments for these parasites. If you have a compost heap or container, you should ensure your pets (and we would add rodents) are not attracted by it.

They pointed out the dangers to pets when using sharp garden tools or power equipment and suggested keeping curious animals out of the garden when you trim trees and hedges or mow the lawn.

With many reports of coyotes in urban areas, supervising your dogs when they are in the garden is a good idea.

Safe and Fun

How safe a particular pet is in a garden depends



With many reports of coyotes in urban areas, supervising your dogs when they are in the garden is a good idea. (Photo by: Hiro Takashima)

on the age, breed, temperament, and how well-trained that animal happens to be. Like all other aspects of life with dogs and cats, training your companion to be a polite garden visitor will take some effort.

Sighthounds, like Greyhounds, tend to be couch potatoes outside their daily exercise routine. Like small breeds designed to be human companions, these guys are typically easy on a garden. However, dogs with high energy and strong instincts to dig, guard, or hunt need careful monitoring and correction.

If you have a digger, consider building a sandbox and encouraging your pup to burrow there rather than dig up your plants. Some savvy gardeners have added a piddle post, perhaps a piece of driftwood, for male dogs to confine their marking instinct to one place.

Other dog-loving gardeners have added water features that are a favorite cooling-off spot for their companions. Providing

sun and shade options lets your dog choose where to rest as the seasons change.

The Pokeweed Vigilante!

Fortunately, our pokeweed problem disappeared overnight. It was there one day, and the plants were gone the next morning. A person or persons unknown removed the pokeweed. They did a great job, judging by the minor regrowth we've seen this spring. We hope they disposed of it safely, which is our final reminder. In addition to removing toxins and dangers from your garden, you must be careful about how you dispose of them.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate And Family Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU24CO212CA
In the matter of: Ashlyn Sarahi Padilla Nazario
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Ashlyn Sarahi Padilla Nazario of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Ashlyn Sarahi Feliciano Nazario
IMPORTANT NOTICE
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 06/20/2024. 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. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 23, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Register of Probate
5/29/2024 EB

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 06/18/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 21, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Register of Probate
05/29/24 EB

The said defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action. The Defendant is required to serve upon the plaintiff's Attorney Adam S. Elman, 1500 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803 his answer, if any, to the complaint, within 7 days after service of this summons upon him, exclusive of the day of service. The Defendant is also required to file an answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Suffolk Probate and Family Court, either before service upon plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, if represented by counsel, or within a reasonable time thereafter.
ORDER OF NOTICE
It is ORDERED that a copy of this summons be: Served, with a copy of the complaint, or by publishing a copy of the summons in East Boston Times, of Revere MA, a publication circulating in the geographical area where the Defendant is last known to have moved, at least Seven (7) days prior to hearing date. This matter shall be scheduled for Administrative Hearing on June 6th, 2024.
Witness, Brian J. Dunn, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 15th day of May.
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NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. All Bids shall be submitted online at biddocs.com and received no later than the date and time specified. General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, General Building Construction, and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement. General Bids will be received until 28 June 2024 on 2:00PM EDT and publicly opened online, forthwith. Filed Sub-bids for the trades listed below will be received until 13 June 2024 on 2:00PM EDT and publicly opened online, forthwith. Filed sub-bidders must be DCAMM certified for the trades listed below and bidders must include a current DCAMM Sub-Bidder Certificate of Eligibility and a signed DCAMM Sub-Bidder's Update Statement.
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Suffolk Probate And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405
Docket No. SU24PT033PM
In the matter of: Vincent Curto Of: East Boston, MA
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Vincent Curto is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 06/18/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 21, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Register of Probate
05/29/24 EB

LEGAL NOTICE Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. SU24PI032GD
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
In the matter of: Vincent Curto Of: East Boston, MA
RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Vincent Curto is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

LEGAL NOTICE
Probate and Family Court Department Summons by Publication
SUFFOLK Division
DOCKET NUMBER: SU22AO393SJ
Najah Gabrielly Freitas da Silva V. Gilmar Mendes da Silva
Complaint for Dependency filed on August 1, 2022, has been presented to this Court by Najah Gabrielly Freitas da Silva the Plaintiff against the above-named Defendant: Gilmar Mendes da Silva seeking a Judgment of Dependency with determination relative to Special Immigrant Juvenile Status, pursuant to G.L. c. 119, §39M. The said defendant cannot be found within the Commonwealth and his/her present whereabouts are unknown; personal service on said defendant is therefore not

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The WINTHROP HOUSING AUTHORITY, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the KITCHEN MODERNIZATION AND ELECTRICAL UPGRADES at State Aided Development: Veterans (200-1) in Winthrop, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by REVERSE ARCHITECTURE.
The Project consists of but not limited to: Kitchen modernization of 6 kitchens including new cabinets, resilient flooring, appliances, counters, new and patched wall and ceiling finishes, painting. Upgrade to building electrical service main and feeder wires, 6 new load centers, selective replacement of lighting, power and detection devices. Asbestos abatement.
The work is estimated to cost \$382,275.00. All bidding Requests for Information (RFIs) shall be submitted online by 06/07/2024 at 5:00PM EDT for filed sub-bids and by 06/21/2024 at 5:00PM EDT for general bids. Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive.
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NEWS IN BRIEF

HARBOR VIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING AGENDA

The next meeting of the Harbor View Neighborhood Association will be on June 3, at 6pm. The meeting is In Person only but will be streamed via Facebook for archival purposes. Attendance on Facebook does not qualify for voting. The meeting will be held in the Salesian Boys and Girls Club cafeteria, across from the Brooke Charter School on Byron Street. You can access the meeting from the front door on Byron Street or from the rear door on Wordsworth Street, which is the handicap entry, to avoid the stairs. Since we are indoors, masks are optional for those in attendance.

La proxima reunion de Harbor View Neighborhood Association esta en 3 de junio a las 6pm. La reunion esta en persona y via Facebook. La asistencia en Facebook no califica para vota. Llega a la cafeteria del Salesian Boys y Girls Club por la calle Byron al otro lado de Brooke Charter School. Pueda usar la entrada principal por la calle Byron o la entrada en calle de Wordsworth. La entrada de calle Wordsworth no tiene escaleras por personas con discapacidades. El cubre bocas sera opcional puesto que estaremos adentro.

Agenda
Welcome/Introduction (5min)
ONS Manuela (Mela) Villa Gomez (5min)
Neighborhood announcements.

Announcements (5min)
Greenway Council, Tree Eastie, Eastie Farm. ZBA hearing on 66 Homer Street on June 6, 2024 at 9:30am; Salesian Boys and Girls Club 15th Annual Summer Camp Scholarship Auction Fundraiser, June 20, 2024, at 6pm. Grace Church Food Pantry 760 Saratoga Street donations of food or money needed. Boston Scores tentative ribbon cutting July 16, 2024.

Station 7 Police Report (15min) Captain Bickerton, Sgt. Cintolo, Officers Mosley, Alvarez and Figueroa.

East Boston Plan Sum-

mary (30min) Jason Ruggerio, Community Engagement Manager BPDA. Jason will provide a review of the newly adopted East Boston Plan.

Mass DOT Sumner Tunnel Closure (5min) Taylor O'Neill, Community Engagement Specialist with Howard, Stein Hudson. Review Tunnel closure and answer any questions.

Representative Adrian Madaro (30min) Representative Madaro will share a summary of his ongoing work efforts for East Boston and answer any questions.

Nominations for the HVNA Board (5min) Any candidates for the HVNA Board can be nominated for the Vote in August when the election will occur for the new term which starts in September for 2 years.

There will be no July monthly meeting due to the holiday. Enjoy the summer! See you in August.

The next meeting of the HVNA will be on August 5, 2024. Visit us at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/harborviewna> or check our website at harborvieweastboston.com or board@harborviewna.org.

DAYTIME NAVIGATION LIGHT INSTALLATION ON CHELSEA STREET BRIDGE

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) is announcing it will be conducting work to install new navigation lights on the Chelsea Street Bridge in East Boston and Chelsea. This work is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 28, and will continue on weekdays through Friday, June 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day.

The work will require off-peak temporary lane and sidewalk closures. There will be a barge in the Chelsea Creek to provide access to the side of the bridge for the electricians.

The bridge will remain fully operational during the installation of the new lights, there will be no impacts to mariners, and pedestrian access across the

bridge will be maintained at all times.

Drivers traveling through the affected areas should expect delays, reduce speed, and use caution.

Appropriate signage, law enforcement details, and advanced message boards will be in place to guide drivers through the work area.

All scheduled work is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

For information on traffic conditions travelers are encouraged to:

- Download the Mass511 mobile app or visit www.mass511.com to view live cameras, travel times, real-time traffic conditions, and project information before setting out on the road. Users can subscribe to receive text and email alerts for traffic conditions.
- Dial 511 and select a route to hear real-time conditions.
- Follow @MassDOT on X, (formerly known as Twitter), to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions.

Budget // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

administration, who's support in water transportation endeavors includes the appointment of David Perry as the first ever Director of Commuter Ferry Services.

The water transportation funds obtained in this budget will be used to expand service hours, increase frequency by transitioning seasonal services to year-round operations by July 1, 2025, and introduce weekend services in Winthrop and Quincy by the same date. Additionally, fare equity improvements in Winthrop to pay Zone 1A rates, route streamlining for Quincy, Hingham, Hull, and Winthrop, and new routes to and from Logan International Airport will further enhance our transportation infrastructure and provide better accessibility for all residents with consistent infrastructure for payments so that all riders can use their Charlie Cards.

Other Budget Highlights

Education
The senate's budget codifies MassEducat, a \$117.5 million invest-

ment creating a universal free community college program. In addition, the budget allocates \$15 million for Early College programs and \$13.1 million for the state's Dual Enrollment initiative, both of which provide high school students with increased opportunities for post-graduate success. Finally, the budget provides \$59.7 million for adult basic education services to improve access to skills necessary to join the workforce.

Veterans
During FY25 debate, the Senate unanimously adopted an amendment codifying the Women Veterans Network into Massachusetts state law and instituting new responsibilities to ensure we are reaching all women veterans. Women continue to be the fastest growing population of veterans, and the Senate has championed increased funding and studies on the needs of women veterans since the FY22 budget.

The budget allocates \$51.3 million for libraries, including \$19 million for

regional library local aid, \$20 million for municipal libraries and \$6.2 million for technology and automated resource networks.

Transportation
The senate budget provides for \$23 million to support implementation of a low-income fare program at the MBTA and \$214 million for Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs) to support regional public transportation systems.

Seniors
The senate provided for \$582.1 million for nursing facility Medicaid rates, including \$112 million in additional base rate payments to maintain competitive wages in the Commonwealth's nursing facility workforce. It also provided \$28.5 million for grants to local Councils on Aging to increase assistance per elder to \$15 from \$14 in FY24.

A conference committee will now be appointed to reconcile differences between the versions of the budget passed by the Senate and House of Representatives.

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a time of reflection and remembrance for those who fought in foreign nations to protect the freedoms of the United States, and did not return home.

“Not only do we have a storied history of men and women who fought, served, and made the ultimate sacrifice from East Boston; but we also have the largest JROTC program in the United States. They’re part of what makes East Boston so special,” acknowledged Madaro.

East Boston High School JROTC, along

with the Boston Fire Department Honor Guard, presented the colors in preparation for the National Anthem, and lead a march along Liverpool Street to Veterans Park, where the veterans of Vietnam, Desert Storm, Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Global War on Terrorism were honored.

Following the services, lunch and refreshments were held at the Italian American War Veterans Post 6 (located at 60 Paris Street), which is open for the first time since 2003 because of the efforts of

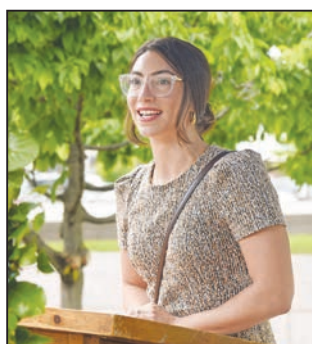


Marine veteran, Tom Capobianco, State Commander of the Italian American War Veterans Post 6, and his friend, life-long East Boston resident, CJ Livingstone, Vietnam veteran.

young veterans, members of the Boston Police Department, and residents.



Andrew Biggio, Commander of the American Legion, and Representative Adrian Madaro.



Councilor Gigi Coletta, who laid a wreath in honor of those from East Boston who passed away during WWI, remembering the selfless servicemen and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.



Carl Goss, Army veteran, Tom Capobianco, Marine veteran, and State Commander of the Italian American War Veterans Post 6, Mark Sperlinga, Boston’s Wounded Veteran Run volunteer, and Phil Russo, military historian and chaplain.



East Boston High School JROTC marching to Veterans Park, on Liverpool Street, to honor the servicemen and women lost in battle in Vietnam, Desert Storm, Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Global War on Terrorism.



Tammy Pacitta, Pete Mancusi, of the 82nd Airborne Division, Kevin Paiva, of the 3rd Ranger Battalion, and Jesse O’Connor, 21-year Army veteran.



Debbi Shields, Army veteran, Airforce veteran, Walter McDonough, Joshua McDonough, Mary Vaccarello, American Legion Riders Auxiliary, Eddie Hanlon, Vietnam veteran, and Joe Forgione, Vietnam veteran.



Joe Forgione, Vietnam veteran, John Pelosi, Sr., Army veteran, and Donna Jansky, Navy veteran.



East Boston High School JROTC presenting the colors during the National Anthem.

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