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### Dough East Boston shutting its doors Friday

By John Lynds

When Kevin Curley and Michael Sanchez opened Dough East Boston 13 years ago, they were aiming to do something different. With a focus on gourmet pizzas like the Layla (pesto with artichoke hearts, goat cheese, red peppers and olives) or the R2 (ranch dressing, grilled chicken, bacon and spinach) Dough quickly became known for its sandwiches.

However, last week fans of Dough, known as ‘Dough Nation,’ were shocked by a post on the restaurant’s Facebook page.

“Dough Nation we have some bittersweet news to announce,” wrote Curley. “Mike and I have decided to close Dough East Boston. In the past 13 years we have had a lot fun, made very good

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### Is the government shutdown affecting airport safety?

By John Lynds

Despite the longest government shutdown in the nation’s history the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) that oversees the air traffic controllers at Logan International Airport put out a statement trying to ease worries over air safety.

“Safety is the top priority for the FAA,” said the FAA in a statement. “Air traffic controllers and the technicians who maintain the nation’s airspace system continue to serve their critical mission to ensure the public’s safety. We are allocating resources based on risk assessment to meet all safety critical functions. If we identify an issue, we recall inspectors and engineers to address it. We sincerely thank FAA employees who are working to keep the traveling public and our skies safe.”

Since the government shut-

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Boston Mayor Martin Walsh during a recent visit to the Samuel Adams School in East Boston. Walsh is supporting a state bill that would overhaul the way state funding for schools is calculated in order to close an equity gap in the city and state.

### Mayor Walsh demands educational equity for all students

By John Lynds

Following a forum last week in neighboring Malden and simultaneous forums in other cities and towns across the state hosted by the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents who are calling on legislators to overhaul the state’s current educational funding model to ensure equity for all students, especially those in low-income areas Boston Mayor Martin Walsh is weighing in on the issue.

The day after the statewide forums, Walsh joined a state-

wide coalition in announcing an education equity legislative agenda. The coalition of partners is led by legislators, cities, towns, teachers, students, and advocates who are joining together in proposing one comprehensive education finance bill to reform the Commonwealth’s education funding formula so that it better serves all students throughout the state.

“Every student in Massachusetts deserves a 21st century education and should have the opportunity to succeed, no matter their talent or challeng-

es, family income or background,” said Walsh. “This bill will give us the tools to make that a reality. Boston is proud to stand with our partners in the Legislature and to join this coalition of cities and towns to advance a system of state aid that supports all of the talented and diverse students of the Commonwealth.”

During the state’s last legislative session a bill by State Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz (D-Jamaica Plain) would have recalculated the cost to educate

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### Adult use marijuana dispensary pitched for Maverick Square

By John Lynds

If you are looking for equity in the state’s emerging adult use marijuana business look no further than the proposal put forth by a group of East Bostonians at Monday night’s Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association meeting.

When drafting how the state would roll out adult use marijuana facilities across the state the Cannabis Commission implemented a variety of programs to actively engage people from communities of disproportionate impact and ensure their inclusion in the legal cannabis industry.

Many programs were developed in response to evidence which demonstrates



Luis Vasco talks about his group East Boston Bloom LLC’s plans to open an adult use marijuana facility in Maverick Square.

that certain geographic areas and demographic populations, particularly African Ameri-

cans and Latinos, have been disproportionately impacted by high rates of arrest and incarceration for cannabis and other drug crimes as a result of state and federal drug policy. Criminalization has had long-term negative effects, not only on the individuals arrested and incarcerated, but on their families and communities.

Additionally, a legislative mandate requires a study of minorities, women, and veteran business enterprises in the cannabis industry in order to give these groups a fair shot at getting into a business dominated in other state’s by big corporations and wealthy financiers.

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### ‘I Am Grateful’ Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley holds local swearing-in ceremony

By John Lynds

After being officially sworn in to the 116th Congress by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi in Washington D.C. earlier this month, Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley held a local swearing in ceremony Saturday at Roxbury Community College.

Pressley, who now represents the 7th Congressional District that includes East Boston, unseated incumbent U.S. Rep. Michael Capuano during the Democratic Primary in September, and became the first African-American woman to serve the district.

After being sworn in by Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey, Pressley addressed the crowd.

“You are a glorious, glorious sight to behold,” Pressley began. “The manifestation of millions of steps, and a million more prayers. I am so grateful to be here with all of you today. To my family, to

my fellow elected officials, to my dedicated A-Team, and most importantly to the residents of the 7th Congressional District – thank you for making this moment, today possible.”

Pressley said she did not come to the ceremony to offer celebratory remarks, but simply remarks of vision—vision for the district, for its communities, and for the country.

“We find ourselves in unprecedented times,” she said. “Each day, we hear a deluge of hateful rhetoric and even more hateful policies, meant to divide us and make us feel small. But together, we are powerful. Yes, these are unprecedented and uncertain times, unprecedented times which demand unprecedented leadership, unprecedented organizing, unprecedented mobilizing, unprecedented legislating, and unprecedented hope.”

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Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley held a local swearing in ceremony Saturday at Roxbury Community College. Pressley being sworn in by Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey Pressley before addressing the crowd.

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# BPDA hosts community meeting on 101 Condor St.

By John Lynds

On Monday at the East Boston Social Centers, the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) held a community meeting as part of the agency’s Small Project Review process for the development project at 101 Condor St.

The proposed project consists of the redevelopment of a 8,650 square-foot commercial site situated at 101 Condor Street at the corner of Condor and Brooks streets. The site was once used by Corner Stalk Farms. Corner Stalk plans to move to the Chelsea Creek side of Condor because the company, that grows fresh produce in converted industrial shipping containers, outgrew its current location.

The developer plans to construct a new four-story building containing 18 residential units and 18 off-street parking spaces located in the building’s below-grade garage. The garage will be entered and exited from Condor Street, which has access to Meridian Street.

According to the developer’s attorney, Richard Lynds, the project would create a residential development combining market-rate and affordable housing opportunities

The four-story building will have roof decks and a more modern facade with wood accents to match the somewhat industrial look of the building across the street along the Chelsea Creek.

Recently the Eagle Hill Civic Association (EHCA) voted 23 to 9 in support of the project at 101 Condor St.

“In planning the building,



BPDA’s Michael Sinatra (left) listens to questions during Monday’s BPDA meeting regarding the 101 Condor St. project.

great care was given to respecting the proximity and nature of abutting properties, which share boundaries with the site, as well as modifications made during the community outreach process to create appropriate setbacks from neighboring properties and to ensure that the height is consistent with the surrounding built environment,” said Lynds. “As a result, the proposed building has been designed and scaled to complement the surrounding neighborhood and streets including Condor and Brooks streets, the area’s ongoing multi-family residential developments, the surrounding commercial and retail uses, and the proximity to public transportation.”

Lynds added that the creation of eighteen new residential units will include up to

two affordable units under the City of Boston Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP).

If the project receives BPDA approval next month the developer will look for zoning relief from the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals.

Lynds said variances needed will include Use, Rear Yard, Floor Area Ratio, Height and Parking.

If his client receives all his permits, Lynds said construction on the project should begin in the summer.

The BPDA’s Michael Sinatra said the Public Comment Period for the project is still open and will close on Jan. 25, 2019.

Comments can be sent to [www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/101-condor-street#comment\\_Form](http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/101-condor-street#comment_Form).

## Dough // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

friends and served a lot of good food. Mike and I both lived in Eastie for a few years and toiled for over a decade, so we feel like we have a piece of Eastie in our hearts. We would like to thank you, the customers for coming in excited everyday to try our food. That energy has driven us for 13 years. We truly appreciate the love that you’ve given us throughout the years, which makes this decision so tough.”

Curley announced Dough will serve up its last sandwiches this Friday before closing for good.

Curley went on to thank all of Dough’s hardworking employees, both past and present.

“I would like to thank my employees,” he wrote. “We have had a few pass through and go, but for the most part they have been with us for years, which again, makes this decision so tough, as it feels like leaving family. We love you guys.”

In the post, Curley said he and Sanchez have always put family first and was part of the reason for deciding to close up shop.

In a neighborhood where a chicken cutlet parm or a Italian sub is a dime a dozen (there are constant arguments in Eastie about who makes the best Italian-style subs), Dough, on the corner of Maverick and Border streets, branched out and offered menu items not found elsewhere.

“The sandwiches definitely took off,” said Curley.

And in a few short months, everyone who heard of Dough was coming in for the signature sandwich.

“Yeah, I’d have to say it’s the Vermont,” said Sanchez.

The creation the boys from Dough came up with after opening is a pile of roasted turkey, bacon, apple slices,



Dough East Boston owners, Michael Sanchez and Kevin Curley.

gouda, and red onion topped with sundried tomato mayo on multigrain that is then backed so the entire beast turns into an oozing feast.

Then there were others like the Montana, sliced grilled roast beef, with cheddar, pepperoncinis, and mayo on a braided roll that’s then pressed to melt the cheese, or the cajun chicken cheese steak, a twist on the regular steak and cheese that includes shaved cajun spiced chicken, two types of cheese and peppers.

“When we started we wanted to serve stuff we’d love to eat and not have to compete with well-established sub shops that already carved out a fan base,” said Sanchez.

The plan worked and for over decade Dough is going strong and became a mainstay for hungry East Bostonians with new menu items, daily specials and a resurgence of the restaurant’s solid pizza business.“ We are taking the opportunity to explore new and exciting opportunities and to spend more time with our families, which is our highest priority,” he said. “I would like to take this time to invite Dough Nation to come on down and celebrate a good run. Come by say hello and bid farewell. So from the bottom our hearts we thank you for all your love and support throughout the years.”

Over the years Curley and Sanchez took pride in making

everything fresh, something that customers noticed and appreciated.

“For 10 years everything’s made to order and we never pre cook our food,” said Sanchez. “We are running to Restaurant Depot everyday because we never had a huge walk in fridge so all our customers know everything is coming out fresh to order. It may take an extra few minutes, from the burgers to the cutlets, and it’s tough to regulate sometimes when we are busy, but the final product is worth it.”

Three years ago Sanchez and Curley were awarded the Boston Main Streets Award for Best Business in Eastie.

Beyond their food, Curley and Sanchez were always giving back to the community since they opened by supporting Main Streets events, Zumix programs, NOAH, the Atlantic Works Artist Gallery.

Both Curley and Sanchez opened Dough because they said they saw great potential in Eastie.

“It’s one of the greatest neighborhoods in Boston and for a small neighborhood we have such great food places that have become nationally known. It’s awesome that this little community is getting all this recognition,” said Sanchez. “But it’s really a community here, from our staff who help us do this everyday to our loyal customers in Dough Nation.”

## New England Auto Show is this weekend

The annual New England Auto Show comes to the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, 415 Summer Street, this weekend.

The show hours are:  
Thursday, Jan. 17, 4 – 10 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 18, 12:00 p.m. – 10 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 19, 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.  
Sunday, Jan. 20, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
Monday, Jan. 21, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The box office closes one hour prior to the end of the show each day.

Admission prices are:  
Adults -- \$15

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Children under 6 are free  
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Pressley added that there are many who have characterized the Democrats’ electoral victory as a referendum against hate, but she sees it as a victory for hope.

“And so it is together, in community, in the 7th Congressional district – here today in Roxbury, Massachusetts – the very place that inspired, fortified and nurtured history makers like Elma Lewis, Paul Goodnight, Malcolm X, Dr. King, and Melnea Cass, and Mel King, and Alfredda Harris, and Sarah-Ann Shaw – it is in this community, at this place, that we come together to fortify ourselves for the work that we will take on together,” she said. “The pursuit of justice and equality and equity, my mother reminded me, is a cradle-to-grave struggle. In the pursuit of justice, the line is



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley is greeted by a young supporter after delivering her speech at Roxbury Community College Saturday.

not a straight or linear one, it is not always consistent, but it is always worth it.” Pressley said while the moral arc of justice bends it only does so when we make it bend. “We must ready ourselves, for both the breakthroughs and the joy of the struggle,



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley addresses the crowd after being sworn in during a local ceremony. Pressley was officially sworn into the 116th Congress by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on Jan. 3.



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and then we can realize the joy of the victory,” said Pressley. “We’ve made our fair share of history together, but I was not sent to Congress just to make history. You sent me there to make meaningful, lasting change – progress on behalf of the residents of the Massachusetts 7th Congressional district – the most diverse and unequal district in our delegation, and arguably one of the most unequal in our country.” Pressley said she will not do this work alone and on the days that she feels tired or weary, she will reflect upon and think of this moment. “I will think about the hundreds of you in front of me, and the hundreds more that each of you represent,” she said. “Each of you speak for

and act on behalf of those you have a loved, and lost, and fought for, and nurtured. We walk through this life not just as individuals, but also as manifestations of the people who have shaped us and those whom we carry with us. And so, I recommit to you today, that I am bringing all of you to Washington with me.” Pressley went on to credit her victory to the voters who believed in the pursuit of equity, equality and justice. “I know this to be true because, when the rights of our trans family members were under attack, you organized and mobilized and fought for equality,” she said. “When rhetoric of hate tried to vilify our immigrant neighbors and violently separate their fami-

lies, you showed up at airports offering legal representation and demanding humanity. When our union brothers and sisters were locked out of their jobs, their livelihood in the balance, you marched. When your loved ones healthcare was under attack, their cancer treatment, their insulin, their lives in jeopardy, you put your bodies on the line to fight for their dignity. When survivors of gun violence, of domestic violence, of sexual violence; when our voices were silenced you built megaphones and amplified their stories.” She ended by saying, “The work we take on together will not be easy. But it will be real. And it will be worth it. I still believe in the power of us, and change is on the way.”

Shutdown // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

down air traffic controllers at Logan and across the country have been working without pay adding to an already stressful job. While Aviation International News Online (AINOnline), a monthly aviation business trade publication explained that the government shutdown earlier this year caused the furlough of nearly 18,000 FAA employees, affecting activities such as airman certificate issuance, unmanned operation exemptions, rulemaking, facility inspections, dispute resolution, and financial activities, among others, the publication also reported that air traffic controllers have been exempt from the furloughs. Last week the National Air Traffic Controllers Association, AFL-CIO (NATCA)

filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court on behalf of its members who have not been paid for their work since late December. NATCA requested an expedited hearing on its motion for a Temporary Restraining Order against the United States government for its violation of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. NATCA alleges that the government unlawfully deprived NATCA members of their earned wages without due process. The suit also alleges violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) for failure to pay at least the minimum wage to air traffic controllers and other NATCA members who are excepted from the furloughs during the government shutdown. Finally,

it alleges that the FAA failed to promptly pay overtime to NATCA members in violation of the FLSA. On behalf of its members, NATCA seeks an order requiring the government to pay its members for the work they have performed as well as liquidated damages. Complicating the matter, in a report on National Public Radio a Logan air traffic controller claimed that the government shut down and lack of pay is causing stress among his colleagues.

Now East Boston’s AirInc., the local watchdog group that monitors, among other things, operations at Logan, are keeping a watchful eye on the situation. “My calls to the Eastern Service Area’s Quality Control Group this morning confirmed that air traffic control at Logan is fully staffed operationally with controllers, supervisors and managers,” said AirInc.’s Chris Marchi. “However, a National Public Radio story on WBUR, suggested that controller at Boston Logan airport’s tower and in air traffic control rooms across the country are working under increased stress due to the lack of pay. We have called the National Association of Air Traffic Controllers (NATCA) to inquire further about the status of the working conditions for air traffic controllers. While stress is clearly part of an air

traffic controller’s job, it is well known that stresses from various activities combine and can produce negative cumulative effects on health and performance.” So as the for now the answer to the question is the shutdown affecting airport safety is that while air traffic controllers are working at full strength they are not working under ideal conditions.



Boston Logan’s tower where air traffic controllers have been working without pay since the government shutdown in late December.

Maverick Central Neighborhood Association Jan. meeting

The Maverick Central Neighborhood Association monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 16 (tonight) at the Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris St. from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Agenda Items

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## LETTER to the Editor

### WHAT WOULD

### DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING THINK?

When one considers that it has been almost 51 years since Dr. Martin Luther King was assassinated, it is easy to understand why so many of our fellow Americans today have so little understanding of who he was and what he accomplished.

Every school child for the past generation knows well the story of Martin Luther King. But an elementary school textbook cannot truly convey the extent to which he brought about real change in our country. To anyone under the age of 50, Martin Luther King is just another historical figure. But for those of us who can recall the 1960s, a time when racial segregation prevailed throughout half of our country and overt racism throughout the other half, Martin Luther King stands out as one of the great leaders in American history, a man whose stirring words and perseverance in his cause changed forever the historical trajectory of race relations in America, a subject that some historians refer to as the Original Sin of the American experience.

However, as much as things have changed for the better in the past 50 years in terms of racial equality in our society, it also is clear that we still have a long way to go before can say that all Americans are judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character, as Dr. King famously put it in his speech at the Lincoln Memorial in 1963.

It is clear that there is a movement in our country that seeks to take away many of the hard-fought gains of the past 50 years. The shootings and deaths of African-Americans while in police custody that have shocked all of us in the past few years are just the tip of the iceberg. Much more significant have been the judicial decisions that have stripped away key provisions of the voting rights act, the disproportionate treatment and incarceration of minorities for drug-related offenses, and the voter ID laws and gerrymandering in many states that, in the words of a federal court in North Carolina, attain with surgical precision the goal of preventing people of color from being fairly represented in government at all levels.

“What would Dr. Martin Luther King do?” we often ask ourselves. We can’t say for sure, but we do know that he that as much as King accomplished in his lifetime, he would be the first to understand that his work for which he gave his life still is far from done -- and we can only hope that his spirit and courage can continue to inspire this and future generations to bring about a world in which all persons are treated with dignity and respect.

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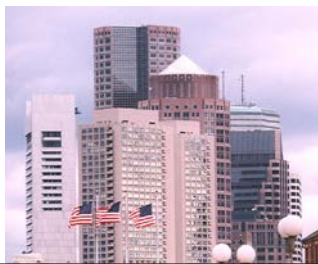
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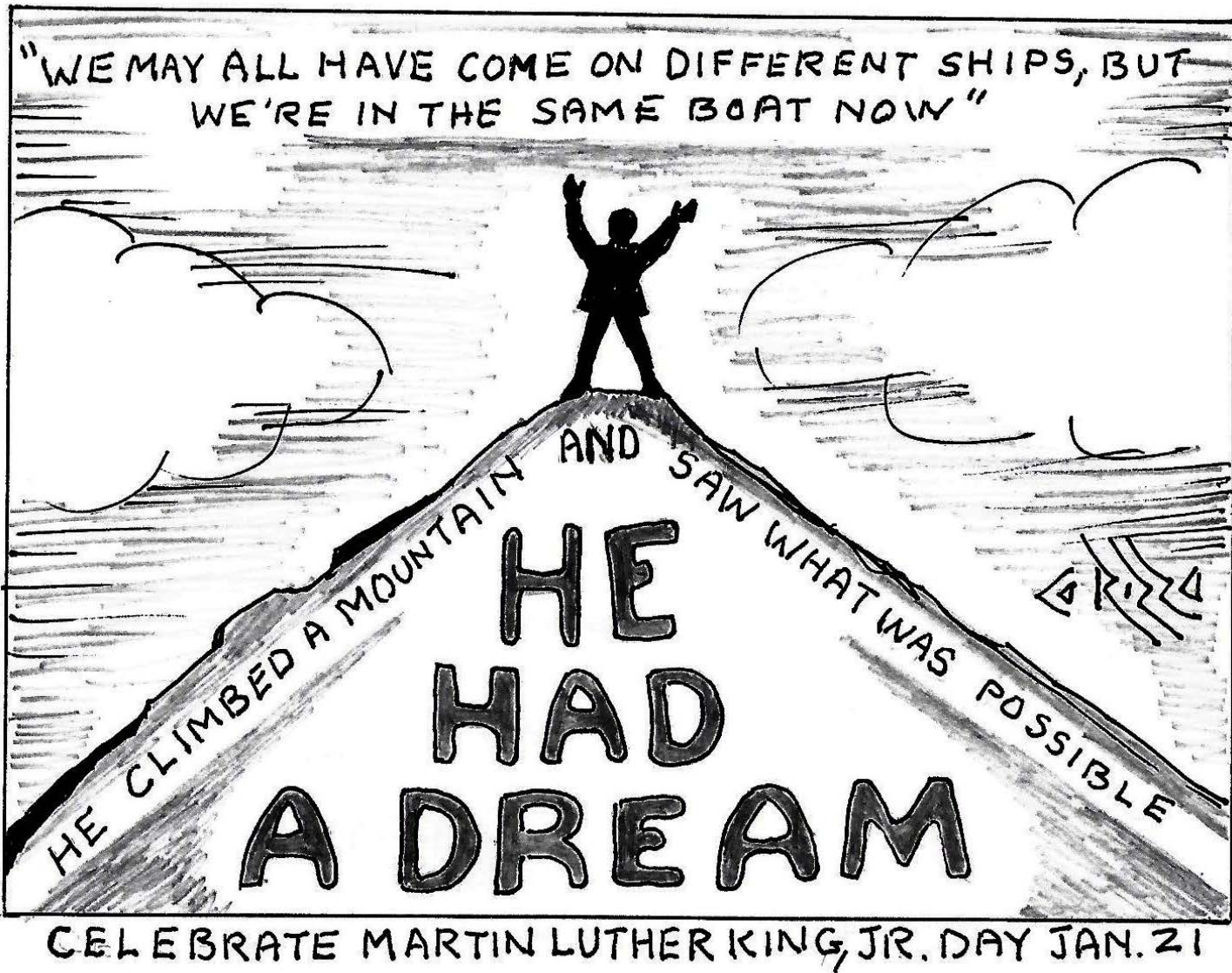
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# Forum



## Councilors Edwards and Janey file home rule petition to enact a fee on investor and commercial real estate sales

Councilors Lydia Edwards and Kim Janey proposed a Home Rule Petition to combat housing speculation and establish an investor and commercial property transfer fee. The proposed bill would enhance the city’s housing toolkit by generating millions of dollars for affordable housing and by discouraging the inflation of housing prices through rapid resale of properties. The proposal will be assigned to committee in Wednesday’s council session.

The bill authorizes the City of Boston to establish a fee of up to 6%, split evenly between buyer and seller, on real estate transfers over \$2 million, with an estimated revenue of \$175 - \$350 million based on 2015-2017 sales. Exemptions are in place for owner-occupants, transfers between family members and homes purchased through approved home-buying classes. The bill also would authorize a fee of up to 25percent on secondary sales, or flips, within a two year period.

“Boston residents are struggling as our economy booms, and our homes have become the new stock market,” said Boston Councilor Lydia Edwards. “Housing costs are straining families’ resources

and pushing talented workers out of our city. This legislation will curb real estate speculation and generate millions to build and preserve affordable housing.”

“We are in a housing affordability crisis,” said Councilor Kim Janey. “These fees will not only discourage speculation in our housing market and the over-creation of luxury condos, it will also raise much-needed revenue to invest in affordable housing, and help stem the tide of gentrification. I look forward to working with my colleagues on the City Council, the Mayor, and the legislature in passing this law.”

Other cities, including New York City, have enacted luxury transfer fees and there is a growing movement in Massachusetts. The Somerville City Council passed a home rule petition in 2018 which is still pending before the legislature. Cambridge began exploring a transfer fee in January 2019. State legislation authorizing a transfer fee has also been introduced by Rep. Mike Connolly and Sen. Joseph Boncore (HD.414 / SD334 - An Act supporting affordable housing with a local option for a fee to be applied to certain real estate transactions).

## DISTRICT SEVEN POLICE REPORT

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019**  
No Arrests.

**Wednesday, January 2, 2019**  
No Arrests.

**Thursday, January 3, 2019**

Around 9:15 a.m. in the area of 800 Border St., a 20 year old Hispanic Male with an Everett, MA address was arrested for Assault and Battery be Means of a Dangerous Weapon.

**Friday, January 4, 2019**

Around 1:15 p.m. in the area of 164 Waldemar Ave., a Hispanic Juvenile with a Boston, MA address was arrested for Threats to Commit a Crime.

**Saturday, January 5, 2019**  
No Arrests.

**Sunday, January 6, 2019**  
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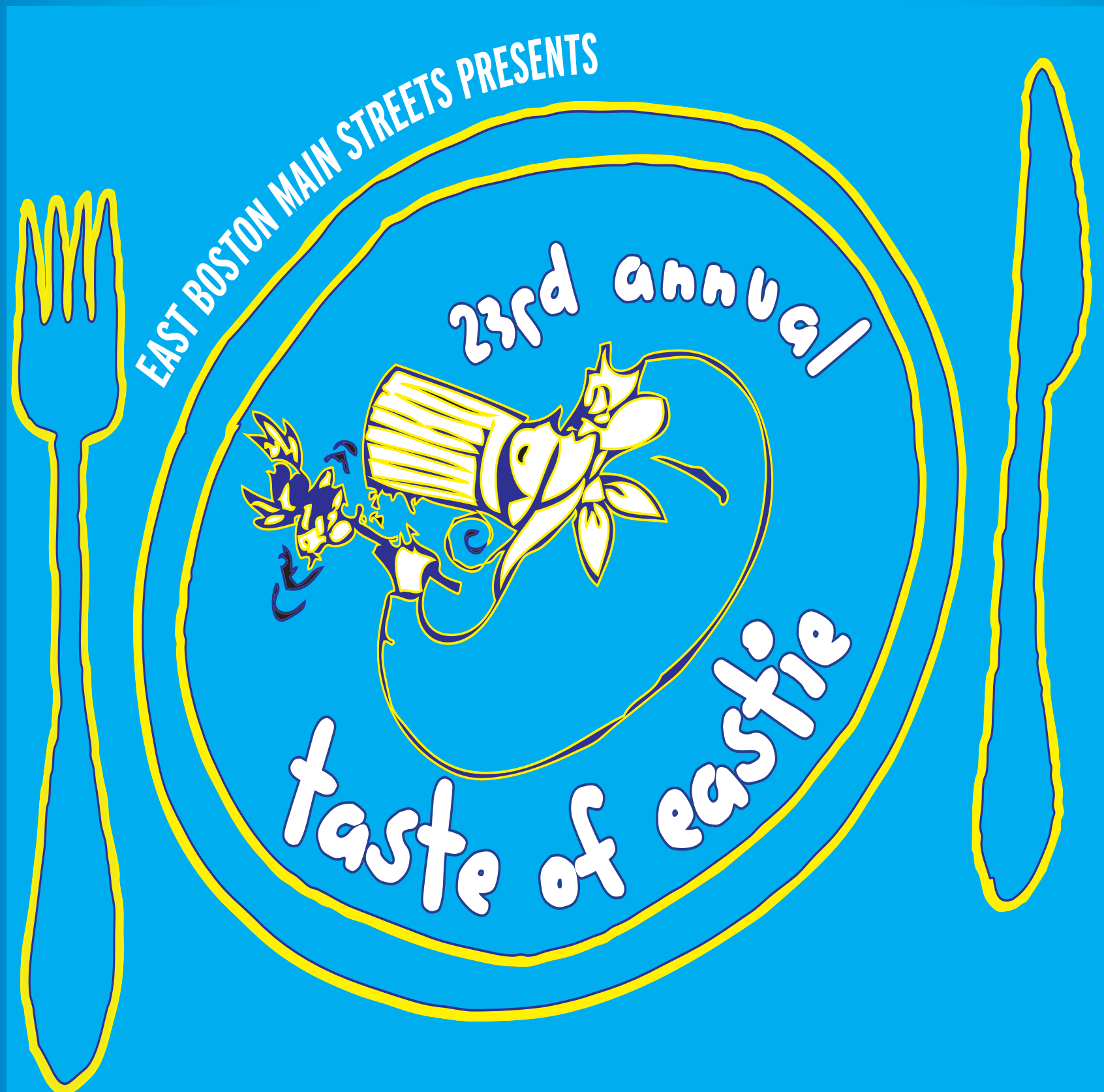
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NOTICE OF ADJUDICATION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING

EFSB 14-04A/D.P.U. 14-153A/14-154A  
NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy  
Notice of Project Change

Notice is hereby given that NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy (“Eversource” or “Company”) has submitted to the Energy Facilities Siting Board (“Siting Board”) a Notice of Project Change in connection with the electric transmission project (“Project”) approved by the Siting Board in its December 1, 2017 Final Decision in EFSB 14-04/D.P.U. 14-153/14-154 (“Final Decision”). The Project as approved includes two new 115-kilovolt (“kV”) underground electric transmission lines in Everett, Chelsea, and East Boston, Massachusetts, as well as a new 115/14-kV substation (“Substation”) in East Boston. In its Notice of Project Change, Eversource seeks approval to modify the location of the Substation.

As approved in the Final Decision, the Substation would have been located on a parcel of land on the eastern side of a larger parcel of land owned by the City of Boston (“City Parcel”) in the East Eagle area of East Boston. In its Notice of Project Change, Eversource seeks approval to move the Substation 190 feet, to the western side of the City Parcel. Accordingly, the scope of this proceeding is limited to Eversource’s proposed relocation of the Substation from its current site on the eastern side of the City Parcel (“Original Site”) to a new location on the western side of the City Parcel (“New Site”) (“Project Change”). The two 115-kV transmission lines would connect to the Substation at the New Site and no longer be routed along Condor and East Eagle Streets. The layout and components of the Substation will remain substantially unchanged from what was previously approved in the Final Decision.

Figure 1, below, shows the relative locations of the Original Site, the New Site, and the City Parcel.

Opportunity for Public Comment

The Siting Board will conduct a public comment hearing on Eversource’s proposed Project Change:  
Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.  
East Boston High School  
86 White Street  
East Boston, MA 02128

At the public comment hearing, Eversource will present an overview of the proposed Project Change. Public officials and the public will then have an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments about the Project Change. A Spanish/English and a Portuguese/English interpreter will be present. The public comment hearing will be recorded by a court reporter.

Written comments may be submitted at the public comment hearing, or filed with the Siting Board through Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Comments must be filed electronically, by email attachment, to the Presiding Officer and to the Siting Board’s electronic docket: [kathryn.sedor@mass.gov](mailto:kathryn.sedor@mass.gov) and [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov).

Comments emailed to the Presiding Officer must be followed by a mailed hard copy. Additionally, all written comments must be provided electronically by email attachment to counsel for Eversource, Catherine Keuthen, at [ckeuthen@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:ckeuthen@keeganwerlin.com).



Figure 1 Original and New Substation Sites

Siting Board Jurisdiction and Scope of Review

The Siting Board will review the Company’s Project Change Filing to determine whether the proposed relocation of the Substation within the City Parcel would alter in any substantive way either the assumptions or conclusions reached by the Siting Board in its analysis of the Project’s environmental impacts in the original Siting Board proceeding.

The scope of the Siting Board’s review in this proceeding is limited to Eversource’s proposed Project Change. Specifically, the Siting Board is reviewing potential impacts of relocating the Substation from the Original Site, on the eastern side of the City Parcel, to the New Site, on the western side of the City Parcel, a distance of approximately 190 feet. The Siting Board will not be reviewing matters unrelated to the Project Change, such as the need for the overall Project, Project alternatives, or other matters that were reviewed and decided by the Siting Board in the Final Decision, and are not directly related to or affected by the proposed relocation of the Substation.

Public Review of the Notice of Project Change

The general location, layout, dimensions and configuration of the Substation are described and shown on maps and plans included in the Company’s Notice of Project Change, dated November 15, 2018. Copies of the Company’s Notice of Project Change, including all attachments, are available for public inspection at the offices of the Siting Board, One South Station, Boston, MA 02110, and at the offices of Eversource’s counsel, Catherine Keuthen, Esq., Keegan Werlin, 99 High Street, Suite 2900, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-3113. Copies are also available at the following locations:

- \* Office of the Boston City Clerk, Boston City Hall, One City Hall Square, Boston, MA 02201
- \* East Boston Public Library, 365 Bremen Street, East Boston, MA 02128

In addition, the Company’s Notice of Project Change including all attachments, are electronically available via the Department of Public Utilities’ website at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom>

Intervention and Participation

Persons or groups who wish to be involved in this Project Change proceeding beyond providing comments may file a petition to intervene as a party or a petition to participate as a limited participant.

Intervention allows a person or group to participate in the evidentiary phase of the proceeding, including evidentiary hearings in Boston, if evidentiary hearings are conducted, and grants the right to appeal the Siting Board’s final decision in this proceeding. A limited participant may receive many of the documents that will be submitted to the Siting Board, but may not present evidence or appeal the final decision. Both parties and limited participants may present oral comment to the Siting Board at the public meeting at the conclusion of the proceeding, during which the Board will deliberate on the Tentative Decision.

Any person interested in intervening as a party or participating as a limited participant in this proceeding must file a written petition with the Presiding Officer. Petitions must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 980 CMR 1.05, the Siting Board’s procedural rules. Among these rules is the requirement that a petition to intervene “must state the manner in which the petitioner is “substantially and specifically affected” by the proposed Project Change. The regulations pertaining to intervention and limited participation can be found on the Board’s website at: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/file-a-petition-to-intervene-in-an-efsb-or-dpu-siting-case>.

A petition to intervene or to participate as a limited participant must be filed in three places.

**First**, the petition must be filed electronically, by email attachment, to the Presiding Officer, M. Kathryn Sedor, at [kathryn.sedor@mass.gov](mailto:kathryn.sedor@mass.gov) **no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Tuesday, February 19, 2019**. The text of the email to the Presiding Officer must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (EFSB 14-04A/D.P.U.14-153A/14-154A); (2) the name of the person or entity submitting the filing; and (3) a brief description of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing.

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**Third**, the petition must be sent by e-mail attachment to counsel for Eversource, Catherine Keuthen, Esq., at [ckeuthen@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:ckeuthen@keeganwerlin.com)

Public Accommodation

Upon request, copies of the Project Change Filing or other materials in this proceeding may be available in a format accessible by people with disabilities (such as Braille, large print, electronic files, or audio format). Contact the Department’s ADA coordinator with your request, at [DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov](mailto:DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov) or (617) 305-3500.

Reasonable accommodations at the public comment hearing for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need, including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Please provide as much advance notice as possible. Last minute requests may not be able to be accommodated. Contact the Department’s ADA coordinator with your request, at [DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov](mailto:DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov) or (617) 305-3500.

As noted above, interpretation services in Spanish/English and Portuguese/English will be provided at the public comment hearing. Interpretation in additional languages may be available upon request. Include in your request the language(s) required, and how many persons will require interpretation services. Provide a way to contact you if we need more information. Please provide as much advance notice as possible. Last minute requests may not be able to be accommodated. Contact the Presiding Officer with your request (contact information below).

Any person desiring further information regarding this Notice, including information about intervention or participation in the adjudicatory proceeding, may contact the Presiding Officer at the address, telephone number, or email below:

M. Kathryn Sedor, Esq., Presiding Officer  
Energy Facilities Siting Board/DPU  
One South Station  
Boston, MA 02110 (617) 305-3525  
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# Residents at Boston East building dealing with some fire-alarm glitches

By John Lynds

When Audrey Savikas and her family moved into their new apartment at Boston East, it had everything one could ask for. Modern amenities, views of the harbor, an artist gallery on the first floor and a close knit community of residents.

However, one amenity Savikas could do without was the frequent middle-of-the-night building-wide fire alarms.

For several weeks, Savikas and her neighbors in the building have been awakened by false fire alarms that have forced mandatory evacuations in the early morning hours.

“The last one was 4 a.m. and there was a 1 a.m. one the night before,” said Savikas last week. “There have been so many more, including multiple daytime “testing” periods with six-hour windows. I’m told by the concierge that there’s a known technical problem with the alarm system - something about a water pump - that is not being fixed.”

Savikas said the firefighters

rightfully appear frustrated each time that they have to respond to the building.

“The residents are angry, and unfortunately many of them have stopped evacuating, creating a real safety concern,” she said. “As for me, I’m tired of paying an inordinate amount of rent each month, only to end up standing outside in the cold, rain in the middle of the night with my two crying kids who are now scared to go to sleep.”

The Boston East opened to great fanfare last May. The \$71 million waterfront development project was a collaboration between Trinity Financial and the East Boston CDC. The boutique, mid-rise residential community features 200 units, including six artist live-work-sell units and a community art gallery. Boston East also embraces and engages the waterfront with the development and expansion of the Eastie Harborwalk, which was made possible in part by a \$3 million Mass-Works Infrastructure Program grant to East Boston.

The interiors of Boston East’s common spaces and

residential units were created by Cortney and Robert Novogratz – a Los Angeles-based husband-and-wife design team who have conceived some of the most unique living spaces across the country. The Novogratzes, who are known for their unique taste and style, have been showcased several times on HGTV.

Despite all the luxuries Savikas and others are understandably annoyed, and this week there’s been some progress on the issue but it’s far from being fixed.

“I don’t know how they finally found their sense of urgency after all these weeks but (the Fire Department) put the building on Fire Watch so the (managers) could shut down the fire alarm system, and replace the malfunctioning parts.”

While the system is back online and there were no more ‘false alarms’ over the weekend Savikas said she is, “terribly underwhelmed” by how long it took and how poor the building manager’s communications were to the tenants.

“But fingers crossed that it’s finally resolved,” she said.

## Dispensary // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

On Monday Luis Vasco, Steven Vasco, Nick Spagnola, and Julis Soko, owners of East Boston Bloom LLC gave an informational presentation on their plans to open an adult use marijuana facility on the ground floor of a building owned by the Vasco Family in Maverick Square.

The presentation was very similar to the other five or six adult use facilities being proposed in the community. There will be top notch state of the art security, a high level of professionalism, a floor plan that ensures access to the facility is by adults 21 years or older. There will be no advertising, flashy signs or the ability to see the product being sold from the street. In fact, according to Vasco, customers will come in, place an order and the product will be retrieved from a locked vault in the back of the store.

East Boston Bloom’s proposal has gained the attention of many in the community looking for local entrepreneurs to emerge and take advantage of the new emerging business instead of outsiders with deep pockets looking to cash in on the community.

All partners in East Boston Bloom from the Vascos to Spagnola and Soko are

longtime Eastie residents with Luis Vasco being a celebrated business owner for the past 15 years. Vasco and his family have run Taco Mex in the square without incident and is a popular destination for thousands of residents.

The East Boston Bloom proposal was recently mentioned in an Op-Ed by City Councilor Lydia Edwards.

“As the new industry emerges in Massachusetts, residents who know and are trusted in their neighborhoods, are best suited to open up shop,” wrote Edwards. “Enter Luis Vascos. An immigrant from Colombia, Luis has lived in East Boston for 25 years. He has a restaurant for the past 15 years with no incident. His children are born and raised here and his son is an Iraq veteran who will be his business partner. Luis has everything to lose if he does not get this right--there is no other place for him to go. He knew better than to grab the cheapest lease for two years without speaking to the operators of the methadone clinic next door. He knows about the extreme traffic woes we have in East Boston and has proposed a retail cannabis shop across the street from the MBTA Blue Line. Boston can ensure

a fair and equitable roll-out of the industry that acknowledges local concerns, including reasonable public health accommodations. The city should be cautious, however, of companies that parachute in with a poor community process and without any regard for their would-be neighbors. The best entrepreneurs, people like Luis Vascos, will emerge out of the neighborhoods they hold dear.”

At the meeting there were some concerns over traffic, an increase in loitering and the message having an adult use marijuana facility sends to people living outside of Eastie and whether it will it cheapen the neighborhood profile or elevate it.

Aside from these concerns many felt East Boston Bloom’s proposed location was a lot better than other adult use facilities that were recently proposed on Meridian Street just outside Central Square and Porter Street a few doors down from the substance abuse treatment facility North Suffolk Mental Health Association.

The group will hold a second presentation this week on Wed., Jan 16 (tonight) at 6:30 p.m. at Paris Street Community Center.

## Students // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

each student in public school districts known as the ‘foundation budget’ and poured millions of dollars into school over the next several years.

However that bill failed and educators are calling this mechanism the state uses to provide students with equitable access to educational opportunities ‘obsolete’ and must be revised to meet the expectations of today’s economy.

Because the state has not updated its education funding formula since 1993 to reflect districts’ real health insurance and special education costs, the amount of aid being provided to cover those costs is too small.

To compensate, many districts like Boston end up using money that would otherwise have supported core education programs—including Regular Ed. Teachers, Materials & Technology, and Professional Development. This also results in dramatic cuts in other areas of education.

The problem for low income school districts is there is a growing equity gap between schools in Boston and schools in more affluent areas of the state. When faced with such shortfalls, high-wealth districts can often draw on additional, local revenue. Lower-wealth districts, however,

are generally unable to do so and the consequence is that they spend less on resources that are critically important to the quality of education students receive.

According to Walsh, Boston invests over \$1.3 billion a year to educate over 65,000 district and charter public school students, a number that has grown by over \$250 million since 2014. During this school year, the Boston School FY19 budget was the largest in the school department’s history. While progress has been made, more work and investment is needed to close achievement and opportunity gaps for all students.

Walsh said as Boston’s investments in its students, facilities and teacher has grown, state funding has lagged behind. Inequities in the the Commonwealth’s education funding formulas have failed urban school districts, like Boston, that educate the majority of economically disadvantaged, English Language Learners and special education students in the state. The current education funding formulas result in less net state funding every year for BPS students. “If the status quo persists and these formulas are not changed, in two years, Boston will receive no state education aid to support the City’s 55,000 BPS students,”

said Walsh.

The Education PROMISE Act, sponsored by Chang-Diaz, Representative Mary Keefe and Representative Aaron Vega and supported by Walsh reforms state education funding by fully implementing the Foundation Budget Review Commission (FBRC) recommendations and addressing the underlying inequities within the Commonwealth’s education funding formulas, like Chapter 70. As a result of the bill, foundation budgets statewide will better reflect the true cost of educating students, and there will be a renewed partnership between the state and all districts in funding those foundation budgets.

“Children across our Commonwealth are waiting for us to fulfill the promise we made in our Constitution and in the 1993 Education Reform Act: that zip code should not be destiny,” said Chang-Diaz, lead Senate sponsor of the bill. “For 25 years, we have failed to live up to that promise—first unknowingly and now, for the past three years, knowingly. Our schools are suffering from death by a thousand paper cuts. This bill isn’t about providing ‘new’ or ‘extra’ funds. It’s about making good on what we’ve already promised.”



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Thursday, January 31, 2019	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	122 Dewitt Drive, Roxbury, MA 02120
Friday, February 1, 2019	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	122 Dewitt Drive, Roxbury, MA 02120
Monday, February 4, 2019	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	122 Dewitt Drive, Roxbury, MA 02120
Tuesday, February 5, 2019	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	122 Dewitt Drive, Roxbury, MA 02120
Wednesday, February 6, 2019	5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	464 Tremont Street Boston MA 02116
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Ramy Laribi, a sophomore at East Boston HS broke Jonathan Smith's 50 yd freestyle record with a time of 23.599. Ramy who has not lost a race all season is now qualified for the State Sectional Championship meet. Ramy is pictured here with the AquaJets Coaching staff: L-R Asst Coach Daniel Marifiotte, Head Coach Dave Arinella, Ramy Laribi and Asst Coach John Hall

# Getting Out

## ‘SMALL MOUTH SOUNDS’ MAKES A LOUD IMPACT

By Sheila Barth

You’ve heard these tire-some, frequently over-used expressions before: Silence is Golden,” and “Action Speaks Louder than Words”.

Both phrases apply to SpeakEasy Stage Company’s production of Bess Wohl’s one-act, 100+-minute comedy, play “Small Mouth Sounds,” listed among the New York Times’ Top Ten Shows of 2015. It’s still enjoying widespread appeal.

There’s very little dialogue. Its premise is based upon six people participating in a five-day retreat in the woods, abandoning technology and embracing silence, guided by an unseen guru, beset with her own struggle with inner peace. She never appears on stage, but her voice on a piped-in loudspeaker, reveals volumes about her personality. She has created her own list of rules, which she demands participants adhere to stringently.

They don’t.

She relates a story and reassures them. “Remember, we are not alone on this campus,” she intones breathily. “Think of this retreat as a vacation from your habits. Your routines. Yourself. It is the best kind of vacation because after this, you don’t ever have to go back to who you were...”



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**Ned Nacer and Sam Simahk in SpeakEasy Stage’s production of Small Mouth Sound.**

She repeats they’ll be silent throughout the retreat.

Multi-award winning actress Marianna Bassham portrays the unseen Teacher. Her intoned voice isn’t a recording. Bassham performs live at every performance, equipped with headphones and a video monitor, from a second-floor dressing room. At times, she sounds official, other times, she reveals her own weaknesses and problems. She has a cold. Her father died. And more....

Directed by Bevan O’Gara, former outstanding Boston director, associate producer at Huntington Theatre, and other Boston-area, national and international theaters, O’Gara currently is producing artistic director of the Kitchen Theatre Company of Ithaca, NY.

Her work is made easier

than usual, because there’s little dialogue, allowing this Boston star-studded cast artistic freedom to develop their characters through expressive body language, gestures, facial expressions, etc.

The cast includes Norton Award winners Barlow Adanson portraying Jan; Marianna Bassham, the unseen Teacher; Nael Nacer, as Ned; and award-winning, outstanding actors Kerry Dowling (Joan), Celeste Oliva (Judy), Sam Simahk (Rodney) and Gigi Watson (Alicia).

The six, troubled strangers hope to gain serenity in their lives by attending this five-day wellness retreat, and achieve a life-changing existence.

Annie Wiegand’s careful, strategically placed spotlights keep us focused on highlight-

ed action. Our attention stays riveted to Cristina Todesk’s sparse set. We don’t want to miss a telltale gesture, movement, or facial expression that hints about each character’s personality. Wohl wants us to assume our own ideas and draw our own conclusions.

Wohl got the idea for this play when she attended a silent spiritual retreat at the Omega Institute in upstate New York.

The audience can conclude that Joan and Judy are in a relationship, upset with each other and frequently bicker. Jan is eager to participate and is helpful, but seems frequently perplexed. Despite the rules of no cellphones and other electronic communication, and no snacks outside the kitchen, tardy, noisy Alicia bumbles around, trying desperately to reach someone by phone. And she gulps down snacks, noisily crackling her contraband snack bag.

Rodney gets down to business immediately, assuming a meditative position, sitting on the floor. Joan and Judy recognize him as a famous TV fitness-yoga guru.

And Ned? During his speech to the others, saying why he’s there, the 39-year-old avid outdoorsman always wears a knitted hat to cover scars from an accident after falling, cracking his skull in

### BOX OFFICE

SpeakEasy Stage Company of Boston presents the Boston premiere of Bess Wohl’s acclaimed off-Broadway play, through Feb. 2: Wednesday, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 4, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m., also Jan. 31, 2 p.m., at Boston Center for the Arts, Calderwood Pavilion, Roberts Studio Theatre, 527 Tremont St., South End, Boston. Mature themes, brief nudity. Tickets start at \$25; seniors, students, age 25-younger discounts. SpeakEasy, com, 617-933-8600

eight places, and being hospitalized for two years. Shortly after, Ned’s identity was stolen, his house burned down, his wife and younger brother had an affair and baby together. They took over the house, kicking him out. His parents died, he became alcoholic, his sponsor walked into traffic and was killed, his dog died, and after contemplating suicide, Ned turned to New Age-y type philosophy, but still harbors dark, occasional thoughts of killing his ex-wife and brother.

We’re not told Joan’s a therapist and sex educator in colleges, high schools and has a private practice with couples. Her partner, Judy, is top editor of O magazine’s art department. Judy likes being in control, but has inner fears. She was diagnosed with ovarian cancer, and the doctor said her outcome isn’t good.

And Alicia? Her boyfriend Fred, with whom she lived, kicked her out., and she’s trying frantically to reach him. Jan hails from a small town

in Finland and speaks little English. Pastor of a small church, he was sent on a year’s sabbatical. His beloved 6-year-old son died - Jan carries his picture and kisses it nightly- and his wife is studying tango in South America. He studied philosophy and religion to improve his understanding of his situation, and he remains helpful and kindly. His vulnerability and pain touches our soul.

In contrast, Rodney is self-assured, perhaps narcissistic. Baring his body-not his soul- Rodney has a fling with Alicia.

Besides stirring, touching moments, this talented ensemble shares several comical scenes.

The play touts silence, but “Small Mouth Sounds” conveys some life messages, loud and clear. Like Wohl’s characters you’ll walk away with renewed understanding and appreciation of others.

Or not.

## TWO MILE HOLLOW

By Sheila Barth

She stands there, flapping her arms gracefully, like a seagull. Her platinum blonde hair contradicts her dark skin. She needs serenity. She’s been with her patrician mother, Blythe, for a few days, and it hasn’t been easy. She says her mother carps at her, criticizing her, and never told her she loves her. “This house has an effect on people,” she adds.

Christa Brown sensitively, satirically, portrays Mary, Blythe’s troubled daughter and stepdaughter of famous, 11-year deceased handsome actor, Derek Donnelly, in Leah Nanako Winkler’s parody, “Two Mile Hollow.” They’re at the family’s lavish seaside mansion (kudos, set designer Nathan Lee), to discuss what these step-siblings will claim from the recently-sold estate.

Mary’s tall, lanky, handsome half-brother Christopher (Mauro Canepa), famous TV star, bursts through the door with his personal assistant, Charlotte (Jasmine Brooks), who instantly busies herself in the kitchen to be helpful. Charlotte does everything for Christopher, who depends on her.

Christopher hangs out with his siblings, Mary, and older brother, Joshua (Armando Rivera), who’s short on stature but tall on resentment and jealousy. Besides claiming he’s manic-depressive and spouts self-hatred, Joshua announces he has five degrees, including his cherished “Boola-Boola” one from Yale; but he accomplishes nothing with them.

Christopher laments he’s haunted, living in a fishbowl, under a microscope, unable to shake off paparazzi or fans. He’s horrified when Mary, who’s divorcing her second husband, flings herself on to him, proclaiming her long-time love for him.

Joshua mistakenly thinks Charlotte is also a Yale graduate, but she later admits she graduated from the school of hard knocks. She had a tough youth and childhood, and is happy to be Christopher’s 4-year assistant, whom he insists he can’t do without- not even at a family-only meeting to divide personal property. She needs her job, to make money, hoping to become a writer.

And the siblings’ matriarchal, supercilious mother,

Blythe? Paola Ferrer portrays her with attitude - disdain, dislike, and non-understanding of lower-class people, excluding unseen Yessica, her longtime personal assistant, whom Blythe fired after 33 years of faithful service. Yessica returned to her native Buenos Aires.

Although the actors portraying the Donnelly family aren’t typical white Caucasian, and wear ridiculous-looking, platinum blonde wigs (as instructed by playwright Leah Nanako Winkler), their multi-racial roots neither distract nor enhance their absurd characters. Winkler says her parody is meant to show how people of color are portrayed in our art and media.

Winkler tosses out some super contemporary barbs, too, such as wealthy Joshua winning a scholarship to Columbia U., because he’s 1/18th Cherokee.

As always, fantastic Apollinaire Director Danielle Fauteux Jacques makes sure each character clearly, comically, enacts his/her personality, their weaknesses and follies. Surrounded by luxury, Joshua and Christopher fight over

their dad’s old motorcycle - nothing else- excluding their love for Charlotte.

In fact, everyone wants Charlotte, who, in a poignant scene, bathed in spotlight, sings sound design-songwriter David Reiffel’s song, “Extraordinary,” which she aspires to be.

Also, Armando Rivera as Joshua is a vibrant spark plug, creating chaos, especially with Christopher, while trying to lure Charlotte away.

Lurking behind beloved father-husband Derek’s portrait are secrets- a terrible secret- that Blythe has covered for years, but Christopher suddenly discovered.

This colorful caricature of an upper crust, emotionally crippled family makes us laugh and think, from start to finish.

### BOX OFFICE

Apollinaire Theatre Company presents Leah Nanako Winkler’s two-act, 105-minute play, through Jan. 20: Friday, Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 20, at 3 p.m., at Chelsea Theatre Works, 189 Winnisimmet St., Chelsea. Reception with the cast follows. \$30; seniors, \$25; students, \$15. 617-887-2336, apollinairetheatre.com.





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## Community Meeting

**PLAN: East Boston**

## Open Space Workshop

**Tuesday January 29**  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

**54 Ashley Street**  
East Boston YMCA, Orient Heights  
East Boston, MA 02128

### Event Description

Please join us for a community workshop focusing on open space in East Boston. Open space includes parks, playgrounds, community gardens, beaches, boardwalks, marshes, and more. The workshop—part of a broader conversation on how to preserve, enhance, and grow East Boston—will solicit community feedback about what our open space needs are today and how open spaces should be used in the future. We will share information about previously completed planning efforts and what we’ve heard at previous public meetings.

This event is part of many public events for PLAN: East Boston a long-range planning initiative which, when complete, will update the East Boston Master Plan and will recommend changes to East Boston zoning.

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

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## Taller Comunitario

**PLAN: East Boston**

## Taller sobre el Espacio Abierto

**Martes 29 de Enero**  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

**54 Ashley Street**  
East Boston YMCA, Orient Heights  
East Boston, MA 02128

### Descripción

Le invitamos a participar en un taller comunitario centrado en el espacio abierto en East Boston. El espacio abierto incluye parques, espacios de juegos de niños, jardines comunitarios, playas, paseos, marismas y mucho más. El taller es parte de la conversación general de cómo y dónde se ha de preservar, mejorar y crecer en East Boston. Solicitaremos opiniones sobre las necesidades de hoy en día y cómo se usarán estos espacios en el futuro. Compartiremos información sobre estudios de planificación anteriores y comentarios recibidos en reuniones anteriores.

Este evento es parte de PLAN: East Boston, una iniciativa de planificación a largo plazo que, cuando se complete, actualizará el Plan Maestro de East Boston y recomendará cambios en la zonificación.

Contaremos con aperitivos, materiales traducidos e intérpretes.

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OBITUARIES

Joseph ‘Big Joe’ Albanese  
Of Plymouth, formerly of East Boston

Joseph “Big Joe” Albanese in Plymouth, formerly of East Boston, died on Jan. 11.

The beloved father of Joanne Maddux of Rotonda West, FL, Joseph Albanese (Joey/Little Joe) of Plymouth,

Thomas “Tommy” Albanese of St. Petersburg, FL and the late Barbara Cunningham, he was the husband to Rita and Frances, cherished grandfather to Tricia La Broad and Daryl Cunningham, and loving great grandfather to Angelina, Nicholas, James and Michael. He was the son of the late Dominic and Madeline (Corsi) Albanese and brother of the late Phyllis “Minnie” Saviano, Ann Gallo, Francis, Phil, Tom “Pee Wee” and Ray Albanese. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, who he loved and who loved him.

Family and friends will honor Joseph’s life by gathering in Vazza’s “Beechwood” Funeral Home, 262 Beach



St. Revere today, Wednesday, at 10 a.m. before leaving in procession to St. Anthony’s Church in Revere for a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in his honor at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Joseph’s name to prostate cancer research and organizations such as ZERO – The End of Prostate Cancer” 515 King St. Suite 420 Alexandria, VA 22314. For guest book and directions: [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com)

Concetta Cammarano  
A truly giving person

Concetta “Connie DiBella” Cammarano of Revere, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully on Jan. 10. She was 84 years old.

Connie was born in Santa Caterina, Villarmosa, Sicily. She came to America in 1947, settled in East Boston, attended Boston public schools and worked as a seamstress at Picarello’s.

In 1956, Connie met her “Airforce Sweetheart,” Alberto Cammarano. She and Alberto married in 1958 and began traveling the U.S., living in places such as Washington, D.C., Florida, and Ohio.

Alberto and Connie were married over 60 years. Together, they raised four beautiful children.

Connie spent a lot of her time volunteering with many organizations such as a den mother with the boy scouts when her kids were young. She also enjoyed a number of crafts like making ceramics, painting and knitting and was always helping others.

In 1972, Connie and Alberto returned home to Boston. She continued to work as a seamstress, finally retiring from Forcaster in 1999.

She was a member of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, American Legion Auxiliary, the Women’s Club at St. Mary’s of the Assumption in Revere as well as The Revere League for Special Needs. Connie was truly a giving person. She loved and welcomed all into her life. She loved with all her heart. Every year, Connie would coordinate the annual Recognition of Madonna Della Grazie of Santa Caterina in East Boston.

The beloved daughter of the late Calogero and Salva-



trice Mattaliano DiBella, she is survived by the love of her life, her husband Albert Cammarano. She was the adoring mother to Theresa Wilmot of North Carolina, C. Vincenzo Cammarano and his wife, Gina of Salem, NH, Sadie Smith and her husband, Jerry Smith and Mary DiBella Hanson and her husband, Warren; dear sister to Rosario DiBella and his wife, Janet of New Hampshire, cherished grandmother to Cynthia Williams and her husband, Patrick, Cassandra and Alex Christensen, Matthew Cammarano, Amber and Noelle Smith, Karen Vanessa DiBella and Ashley Marie DiBella and the devoted great grandmother to Isabella, Alyssa, Janessa and Adrian and newly arriving in April, Michael. She is also lovingly survived by Aunt Grace Gangi and many first cousins, second cousins, nieces, nephews and many god children. She will be missed by her many, many friends and family.

Funeral arrangements were by The Paul Buonfiglio & Sons ~ Bruno Funeral Home, Revere. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery. For guest book please visit [www.Buonfiglio.com](http://www.Buonfiglio.com).

Cindy Rios

Worked at High Point Treatment Center

Cindy A. Rios of East Boston, formerly of Brockton, died unexpectedly on Jan. 8.

She was the devoted mother of Christine Curtis and her husband, Tom of East Boston and Marc Doyle of Florida, dear sister of Richard, Randy and Dean Rios and cherished grandmother of Frankie and Jack Curtis. She is also lov-

ingly survived by her canine companion LuLu. Cindy worked for High Point Treatment Center and because of the love and devotion to that facility and the people they help, her family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to High Point, 30 Meadowbrook Rd. Brockton, MA 02301

Ernest Caporale

Of Maine, formerly of East Boston

Ernest J. “Ernie” Caporale of Boothbay Harbor, Maine, formerly of Stoneham and East Boston, passed away peacefully in his wife’s arms on Jan. 7.

The beloved husband of Mary (Doherty) Caporale, he was the dear brother of the late Thomas and his surviving, wife Maryanne and Nicolette Tavilla and is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor Ernie’s life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights) East Boston today, Wednesday morning at 9:30 before leaving in procession to Sacred Heart Church, Brooks St., East Boston for a Funeral Mass in celebration of



Ernie’s life at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with Ernie being laid to rest in Woodlawn Cemetery.

In honoring Ernie and in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude’s Childrens Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Pl., Memphis TN 38105. For more information, please visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com) -

Elaine D’Amico

Family meant everything to her

Elaine (Famolare) D’Amico of Peabody, formerly of East Boston, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 9 at the age of 74.

Elaine adored her whole family, her family meant everything to her. She also loved the Red Sox, was an avid shopper and loved QVC. She recently went on a vacation to Disneyworld and QVC which she talked about all the time. She was loved by all and will be sorely missed.

She was the beloved wife of the late Alphonse D’Amico, loving mother of Rhona Kysilovsky and her husband, Bob of Revere and Kerry DiCiacco and her husband, Andrew of Peabody; adored daughter of the late Charles and Margaret Famolare; dear sister of Charles “Skip” Famolare and his wife, Cindy of Florida, the late Richard Famolare and his surviving wife, Carla of Saugus and cherished grandmother of Taja Kysilovsky and her significant other, Vincenzo Mazzaferro, Robert Kysilovsky and his significant other, Yeraldine



Montoya and Mason Kysilovsky and his wife, Brittany. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

A prayer service was held at the Holy Cross Mausoleum on Saturday, Jan. 12. Entombment was at Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Brigham and Women’s Hospital Attn: Oncology Dept., 75 Francis Street, Boston and The Kaplan Family Hospice House (Care Dimensions) 78 Liberty St. Danvers Ma. 01923 For guest book please visit [www.Buonfiglio.com](http://www.Buonfiglio.com).

Stephen Tremonte

30-year N.E. Produce Center employee

Stephen D. Tremonte of Revere, formerly of East Boston, died on Jan. 10 after a valiant struggle with pancreatic cancer. He was 68 years old.

Stephen, who enjoyed a 30-year career in the N.E. Produce Center, was the beloved husband for 47 years of Janice “Jaye” (Orlandino) Tremonte and the cherished father of Stacie Allen and her husband, David B. Allen of Wellesley and Stephanie A. Beneski and her husband, Dr. John Beneski of Revere; dear brother of Cyndee Phoenix of Providence, R.I. and the late

Harold J. Tremonte, Jr. and adored grandfather to Jessica M., Jacqueline M., and Jordan M. Beneski, all of Revere and Kyle S., Brendan D. and Kallie T. Allen, all of Wellesley. He is also lovingly survived by his two godchildren Arthur Orlandino of Revere and Erica O’Neill of Stow and by several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral today, Wednesday,



Jan 16 at 9:30 a.m. from the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rte. 107) Revere followed by a Funeral Mass in Immaculate Conception Church (Corner of Beach St. & Winthrop Ave.) Revere at 10:30 a.m. and immediately followed by interment in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, West Peabody.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children’s’ Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

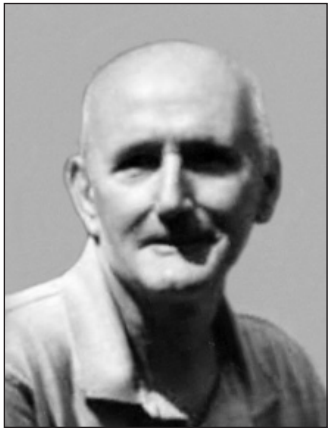
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Wallace “Wally” Corbett, Jr.  
Of Saugus, formerly of East Boston

Wallace A. “Wally” Corbett, Jr. of Saugus, formerly of East Boston died peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Jan. 11

He was the husband of Corrine (DeStefano ) Corbett, devoted father of Tammie Ambrosino and her husband, Frank of Saugus, Tracie Donovan and her husband, Brian of So. Boston and Jodi Spolsino of Revere; dear brother of David Corbett of Wareham, Michael Silva and his wife, Diane of New Bedford, Flo of Florida and Sue of New Bedford and cherished grandfather of Shane, Destiny, Michael, Kaylee, Keah and Shealynn and is also survived by 10 loving great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor “Wally’s” life by gathering at the Ruggiero Fam-



ily Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights) East Boston on Thursday, Jan. 17 from 4 to 6 p.m. for a memorial visitation to share stories and memories of a good man’s life. The funeral home is handicapped accessible, courtesy valet parking with ample off street parking with attendants. For more information, please visit: [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com)

Alwyn Kalligheri, Jr.  
Of Revere

Alwyn Kalligheri Jr. of Revere died on Jan. 13 at the age of 45.

He was the beloved son of Alwyn Kalligheri Sr. of Revere and Camille Kalligheri (Buttiglieri) of Salem, devoted father of Pheobe Kalligheri, dear brother of Andrea Kalligheri and her husband, Michael DeMarco of Salem and adoring uncle of Mila DeMarco. He is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A visitation will be held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere, on Friday, Jan. 18, from 4 to 7



p.m. followed by a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. For guest book, please visit [www.Buonfiglio.com](http://www.Buonfiglio.com).

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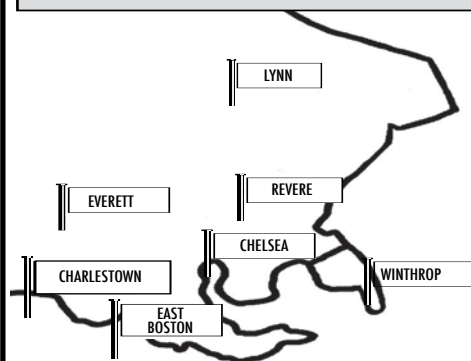


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# Downeast Cider pitches to open a tap room

By John Lynds

The owners of Downeast Cider, distillers of the popular locally crafted hard cider, has petitioned the Boston Licensing Board for a ‘pour license’ in order to open a tap room at their distillery located at the Boston Shipyard and Marina on Marginal streets.

At Monday night’s Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association meeting there was little to no opposition to the plan and Downeast’s Manager Nick Sudheimer explained that his company has just started going through the process of obtaining a pour license.

“Right now customers can come in and have samples and take a tour of Downeast,” said Sudheimer. “What this will allow us to do is be able to sell a full pint of cider on site. Basically we sell our product off-site and would like to also sell our product on-site.”

Massport, who owns the land and leases it to the Boston Shipyard and Marina, gave

permission for Downeast to begin the process of obtaining the pour license on a 90 day trial period. Downeast also received a green light from their landlord, the Boston Shipyard and Marina.

“We received permission from Massport and the Boston Shipyard and Marina to try it for 90-days and see if it is a good fit for us and the shipyard,” said Sudheimer. “We realize it is a working marina so we don’t want to cause any disruptions with that operation.”

Downeast will also host a city-sponsored abutters meeting this Thursday, Jan. 17 at 6:20 p.m. at their distillery.

According to their filing with the licensing board the application is for a pour license in a taproom area around 3,500 sq. ft. There will be 15 beer style tables, six high tops with stools and several custom built large tables to accommodate for large groups

“If our 90-day trial goes well. we’ll come back before

this group and discuss our long term plans,” said Sudheimer.

Downeast, the hard apple cider that began making waves in Boston several years ago relocated from Charlestown to Eastie in 2016.

The company was founded by Ross Brockman and Tyler Mosher during their senior year of college. They were later joined by Brockman’s older brother Matt.



Downeast Cider’s Nick Sudheimer pitches the company’s proposal to open a tap room at Downeast’s distillery.

“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”  
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