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## APPROVED

### Massport's ESPR receives go ahead from Theocharides

By John Lynds

Last week State Environmental Secretary Katherine Theocharides approved Massport's Logan Environmental Status and Planning Report (ESPR) despite elected officials, residents and environmental activists calling on Theocharides not to give Massport the ESPR until they provide the Supplemental ESPR.

For the past several months elected officials have complained that passenger and flight activity forecasts included in the ESPR are way off target and Logan growth is outpacing meaningful mitigation.

Rep. Adrian Madaro, an outspoken critic of the ESPR, said his concern was rooted in Massport's low forecasted passenger and aircraft activity growth rates of 1.5 percent and 1.2 percent. Over the most recent five years these key growth rates have averaged 6.5 percent and 5.9 percent, respectively. The previous ESPR in 2011 that was released in 2013 forecasted 38.9 million passengers by 2030, but Logan is actually at about 43.5 today. Logan

is on pace for 50 million passengers by 2022 while Massport's present planning forecasts in the approved ESPR won't reach that level until 2032.

However, Theocharides approval of the ESPR came with conditions. In her decision the Secretary acknowledged the many concerns raised by residents and elected officials participating in the ESPR's public comment process. In response to concerns over rising Logan impacts, Theocharides directed Massport to provide expanded mitigation packages in their next environmental filing due in the spring if growth continues to outpace Massport's forecasts.

While Theocharides directs Massport to ensure that mitigation is commensurate with impacts she is also requiring Massport to provide information on research findings on health impacts of airports and include discussion of mitigation strategies.

In her decision Theocharides directs Massport to collaborate with community-based organizations, like

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## THANKSGIVING DINNER



Rep. Adrian Madaro serves a Thanksgiving Day meal to a family last Thursday during the Madaro Family Community Fund's Annual Thanksgiving Day dinner. See more photos on page 6 and 7.

## Advisory Committee approves preliminary design for East Boston's Piers Park II

By John Lynds

For the past two years, Massport has been working closely with the East Boston Project Advisory Committee (PierPAC) to come up with preliminary designs for the new Piers Park II, a 4.5-acre waterfront park adjacent to the 11-acre Piers Park on Marginal Street.

Last month Piers Park II took a step closer to becoming reality as PierPAC members voted on a preliminary design option. The vote was made during the group's Nov. 12 meeting and the design concept was

presented last week to the Massachusetts Port Authority's (Massport's) Board of Directors.

Since 2017, Massport has collaborated with East Boston residents and PierPAC members on a design for Piers Phase Park II. At a community meeting in May

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An artist rendering of the approved design for Piers Park II.

## Madaro points out legislative updates

By John Lynds

At last week's Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) meeting Rep. Adrian Madaro briefed residents on some of his legislative accomplishments this year.

Madaro started out talking of the decades-old plan to connect the East Boston Greenway with neighborhoods north of Eastie.

"I was able to partner with the Friends of the East Boston Greenway to deliver a \$100,000 budget amendment for an engineering, environmental and feasibility study to extend the East Boston Greenway past Constitution Beach to Belle Isle Marsh."

Madaro also secured \$50,000 in the House Budget to help Piers Park Sailing Center continue to provide funding to the popular youth program.

"Piers Park Sailing Center is a great programs for youth during the summer and afterschool," said Madaro. "As an alum of the program it was really one of the only ways my friends and I had access to the

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## ED MARKEY STOPS IN EASTIE



U.S. Sen. Ed Markey made a campaign stop in East Boston last Tuesday at the East Boston Social Centers to rally his supporters here. See more photos on Page 10.

## 15th Annual Eastie's Elves set for Friday at Hyatt Boston Harbor

By John Lynds

The 15th Annual Eastie's Elves fundraiser, a yearly tradition that draws more than 500 people to the Christmas toy drive, will kick off Friday, Dec. 6 at the Hyatt Boston Harbor at 6 p.m. The price of admission is one unwrapped toy that will be donated to a local non-profit agency.

Rep. Adrian Madaro took over the reigns of the annual holiday event from former Sen. Anthony Petrucci after Petrucci left office.

Madaro said he and his family are looking forward to another successful Eastie's Elves on Friday and expect many from the community to help support this important fundraiser again this year.

"Each year since the Madaro Family Community Fund took over the event, my family and I are truly overwhelmed by the generosity of the community," said Madaro. "The moment I look forward to the most during the event is walking

into that room where we keep toys. Towards the end of the night I usually peak in and when I see those toys piled up I just know that hundreds of kids and families in our area are going to have a good Christmas."

Madaro said keeping this tradition alive once Sen. Petrucci left office was a no brainer.

"We formed the and really didn't change anything to the overall event," he said. "All the toys that are donated will still benefit the communities of East Boston, Revere, Winthrop and the North End."

The annual fundraiser to raise toys for low-income families in Eastie and other neighborhoods was started by Petrucci when he served in the House and continued through his years in the Senate.

After being elected to office in 2015 Madaro's Family Community Fund took over the annual event.

Over the years Eastie's Elves have collected

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East Boston Sen. Joe Boncore, Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation, thanks Gov. Charlie Baker at the State House for signing a new law that will ban talking, texting or looking at cell phones while driving.

## Governor signs ban on driving while talking or texting on cell

By John Lynds

In 90 days unless you have Bluetooth or other hands-free options inside you car, you will face harsh fines for talking, texting or reading text messages while driving.

Last week, Gov. Charlie Baker signed legislation to improve road safety in the Commonwealth, which stipulates that no motor vehicle operator may use electronic devices while driving unless the technology is being used hands-free.

Punishment for violating the hands-free law includes a \$100 fine for a first offense, \$250 fine for a second offense and \$500 fine for a third or subsequent offense. A third or subsequent offense will count as a surchargeable incident. Operators who commit a second or subsequent offense are required to complete an educational program focused on distracted driving prevention.

“Our Administration is committed to keeping the Commonwealth’s network of roads safe, and this legislation will substantially reduce distracted driving and hold operators accountable when they are looking at an electronic device instead of looking at the road ahead,” said Gov. Baker. “We are especially grateful for the many advocates and families that passionately fought to bring this bill to fruition, are thankful for the Legislature’s collaboration on this bill and look forward to continued efforts to improve road safety in Massachusetts.”

According to the new law, operators of motor vehicles and bicycles cannot use an electronic device unless the device is being used in hands-free mode. Operators cannot read or view text or look at images or video, unless what is being viewed on the device is helping with navigation and the device is mounted in an

appropriate location. They also cannot make phone calls unless they are able to do so without holding the phone, utilizing technology such as Bluetooth.

The new law permits the use of electronic devices if they are being used in response to an emergency, necessary for first responders to do their jobs. It also permits use if operators are stationary and not in active lanes of travel.

"I was proud to support this bill, which will make our streets safer," said Rep. Adrian Madaro, Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation. "Improving our data collection laws increases transparency in our communities and addresses implicit bias in traffic stops. In addition, cracking down on distracted driving will save lives by keeping drivers’ eyes on the road and off their phones."

The hands-free law takes effect 90 days after passage and has reporting requirements for law enforcement officers who make traffic stops. They must make note of data, including the age, race and gender of individuals issued a warning or citation. The Registry of Motor Vehicles will house the data and the Secretary of Public Safety’s office will annually release the information to the public. The new law sets forth a process in the event there are suspicions a law enforcement entity may be engaging in racial profiling.

“This bill will improve the safety of our streets and promote transparency in law enforcement,” said Sen. Joe Boncore, Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation. “Distracted driving is an epidemic, and this bill will save lives. Further, by updating our data collection laws, we will better understand and improve our communities’ interactions with public safety officials.”

## Massport // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, to recommend strategies for distributing HEPA filters to high-risk individuals.

Like cars, jets burn fuel and release harmful ultra-fine particles that are so small they are absorbed right into the bloodstream and can lead to heart attacks and strokes.

Eastie’s chapter of the national Mothers Out Front movement has been making a plea for HEPA filters to be placed in schools and homes in Eastie. Led Sonja

Tenglad and Julia Burrell, this group concerned mothers fighting for environmental justice in the neighborhood, has been calling on Massport to provide HEPA filters for all public schools first and foremost, and then to all homes.

“We might not have a lot of control over the outdoors - we will still have to leave the playground early too many times because we can’t breathe well - but let’s at least protect them indoors,” said Tenglad.

In his comment letter

## Piers Park II // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Massport officials and members of PierPAC narrowed down the design options for the new park to three and presented those options to residents. While Piers Park is a passive park, Piers Park II will be an active park, so the meeting was the community’s opportunity to weigh in on design and give Massport and PierPAC input on the types of amenities and activities the community wanted to see.

Massport has contracted Kleinfelder Northeast Prime as the park’s landscape architecture and Pressley Associates to work with Kleinfelder in incorporating climate resilience designs into the park to deal with future sea level rise.

The \$15-million construction project will transform the parcel into a recreational space that is conducive for multi-generational activities. Under the plan, a 1.07-acre play area will be the centerpiece of Piers Park II.

According to designs released by Massport the size and layout of this area allows for multiple usage, including sports activities by more than one group at the same time. The oval-shaped field will be surrounded with new water features, a picnic grove,

several exercise equipment geared for active seniors, and a children’s area with a playground structure and a wandering path with musical instruments. A new 1,000 square-foot building for Piers Park Sailing Center and public restrooms will also be built.

“This design plan is a significant milestone in our commitment to our neighbors in East Boston,” said Massport CEO Lisa Wieland. “We are proud to work with the community on a design for this green-space that will enhance the sustainability of East Boston’s waterfront while providing recreational space on a prime location for local residents to enjoy.”

Piers Park II will be elevated to match the existing Piers Park, and seamlessly extend the Harborwalk and connect the walking paths of both parks.

The new park will also have berms to prevent flooding along Marginal Street. Additional resilient and sustainable elements will be incorporated in the Park’s final design.

“I am pleased to see Massport deliver on this progress and to have the community’s input on the future of Piers Park II,” said Massport Board Mem-

ber John Nucci. “As a lifelong East Boston resident, I know the importance of having an open space in such a densely populated neighborhood. Piers Park II will be another gem along the Boston Harbor for all residents to enjoy.”

The park is one of several high impact mitigation projects identified by both the City of Boston and members of the Logan Impact Advisory Group (LIAG) through their review for both the Terminal E modernization and the future construction of 5,000 additional parking spaces at Boston Logan International Airport.

“I am excited that we are one step closer to the realization of Piers Park II,” said State Rep. Adrian Madaro. “I thank the PierPAC and other community residents who helped shape this process. Open space is a priority for East Boston and this park will offer breathtaking waterfront views of our wonderful city and great opportunities for family recreation for years to come.”

According to Massport, Piers Park II is scheduled to be completed in 2023.

Piers Park II will build on the waterfront gem that already exists in Piers Park,”

is looking at Theocharides’s approval as a possible win for the community.

“All told, this is the most balanced certificate in recent memory and appears to hold promise of collaboration going forward,” said AIR, Inc.’s Chris Marchi. “AIR, Inc. looks forward to working with Massport in the near future as they seek community input on how to best fulfill their obligations under this certificate.”

## Elves // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

thousands of toys that are later dropped off to agencies like the East Boston Social Centers, the YMCA, Crossroads Family Shelter, and the Salesian Boys & Girls Club.

Madaro said this event has always had two major objectives. The first and most obvious is being able to gather as many toys as the event possibly can for families and children that are in need during the holiday season. The second, said Madaro, is to bring together the Eastie community to celebrate the holiday season with one another.

“For me this event represents the true spirit of the holiday season,” said Madaro. “It’s a time for giving and a time to help one

another. I’m so proud of this community year after year when it comes together and supports a cause that has a tremendous impact on hundreds of local families and children.”

Like years past there will be singing of carols by the East Boston Central Catholic Choir, a holiday meal with all the trimmings and the satisfaction of knowing you are helping put a smile on the faces of local children.

There will also be the annual Eastie Elf Award presented to one of the community’s unsung heroes.

Last year Eastie’s Elves were able to collect over a thousand toys for families and over \$2,500 that was used to buy gift certificates

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Cathy Leonard-McLean Community Room  
Located on First Floor of the Rental Car Center  
15 Transportation Way, East Boston, MA 02128

It is the intention of the Committee to discuss in open meeting the following matter(s):

- a. Attendance 5:30  
b. Approval of Minutes November 12, 2019 5:35

### OLD BUSINESS

- c. Vote - Officers for Board of Directors for 2020, 5:40  
d. Other Old Business

### NEW BUSINESS

- e. Draft Treasurer’s Report - 2019 (Final report to be distributed at Jan. 2020 meeting), 5:45  
f. Draft Operating Budget - 2020 (2020 Operating Budget to be voted on at Jan. 2020 meeting), 5:50  
g. Other New Business, 5:55  
h. Adjournment of public meeting

At the conclusion of its regular business meeting and prior to adjournment, the Board, upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board may hold an Executive Session pursuant to G. L. 30A.s.21 upon the conclusion of which, the Board will not resume its public meeting.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### GRACE CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

Grace Church Federated is an Episcopal/United Church of Christ church located at 760 Saratoga Street in East Boston. All are welcome. Please join us for Sunday morning worship at 9:30 a.m., followed by a coffee hour. We also have a food pantry on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until noon in the church basement. There are a number of ways you can help us to serve East Boston. Volunteer at or contribute to the food pantry. Sing with the Festival of Lessons and Carols choir. Bring a dish to the monthly Sunday evening community suppers. Participate in the Sunday worship service. Help with SundaySchool. Visit the Grace Church web site at [www.gracechurch-astie.org](http://www.gracechurch-astie.org) or call the church at 617-569-5358 for more information.

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

The Senior Program

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

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Members of the Chamber Board will be visiting participating businesses the weekend of Dec. 13, 14, and 15.

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### Community Meetings

Harbor View Neighborhood Association First Monday of every month 6:30 p.m. at the Edward Brooke Charter School, 145 Byron St.	Bremen Street  Friend of the East Boston Greenway Fourth Thursday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Anna DeFronzo Center, 395 Maverick St. All are welcome to attend.
Kiwanis Club of East Boston First and Third Tuesday of every month 6 p.m. at Spinelli's Restaurant in Day Square. New members welcome	Maverick Central Neighborhood Association Third Wednesday of every month 7 p.m. at Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris St.
Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association Second Monday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club, 565 Sumner St.	Gove Street Citizens Association Last Monday of every month 6:30 p.m. at the Noddle Island Community Room
Orient Heights Neighborhood Association Third Monday of every month. 6:30 p.m. at Ashley Street YMCA, 54 Ashley St.	Eagle Hill Civic Association Last Wednesday of every month 7 p.m. at East Boston High School Cafeteria, 86 White St.

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### EAST BOSTON SENIOR LUNCH PROGRAM

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## DISTRICT SEVEN POLICE REPORT

### Monday, Nov. 18, 2019

Around 3:45 p.m. in the area of 233 Bennington St., a 36-year-old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Disorderly Person.

Around 9:15 p.m. in the area of 309 Lexington St., a 49-year-old Hispanic Male with an East Boston address was arrested for Assault and Battery.

Around 9:15 p.m. in the area of 97 Cottage St., a 48-year-old White Female with an East Boston ad-

dress was arrested for Assault and Battery.

### Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2019

No Arrests.

### Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019

Around 11:20 p.m. in the area of 63 Putnam St., a 48-year-old Hispanic Male with a Chelsea, MA address was arrested for Assault and Battery.

### Thursday, Nov. 21, 2019

No Arrests.

### Friday, Nov. 22, 2019

Around 5:55 p.m. in the area of 16 Perley St., a 30-year-old Hispanic Male with a Lynn, MA address was arrested on a Distribution of Class B, Drugs Warrant.

### Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019

No Arrests.

### Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019

No Arrests.

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Boston Harbor. While the program gets hundreds of kids out on the water every year it also has numerous programs for seniors and people with disabilities."

Madaro highlighted a \$45,000 earmark for Crossroads Family Shelter that provides transitional housing for homeless women and children.

"Clearly it's not enough to just provide housing for women and children that are homeless," said Madaro. "It is also crucial that we empower these women and provide them with the skills and the tools they need to keep a roof over their heads."

The \$45,000 will go towards helping Crossroads continue to operate a workforce development and educational program for women.

For the East Boston Social Centers Madaro said he was able to secure \$50,000 for Eastie's oldest social service agency that provides low cost early childhood education for neighborhood families.

The \$50,000 will be used to help relocate one of the Social Centers daycare sites that was displaced by the rehabilitation of the Orient Heights Housing Development.

"The rehabilitation of the Orient Heights Housing Development is a great project but it did present some challenges," said Madaro. "One of those challengers was finding a new home for the Social Centers' daycare facility--a place many working families relied on daily. This funding will make sure that support for this program continues uninterrupted."

Madaro also secured \$25,000 for Youth Connect. This program provides mental health and diversion services for high-risk youth through a dedicated social worker at the East Boston Police Station.

"Our police are great, but they're not social work-



Rep. Adrian Madaro briefs residents on his legislative accomplishments during last week's GSCA meeting.

ers," said Madaro. "This program helps get youth on the right track and addresses underlying causes, like drugs, crime, and gang activity."

Another Madaro amendment for public safety added another \$1 million to the already \$10 million in approved state funding for the Shannon Grant program.

"Shannon Grant is a series of grants directed to community programs to address gang and youth violence issues," said Madaro. "It has become one of the most vital and effective tools by engaging communities, nonprofits, and police to divert East Boston youth away from gangs and into more productive activities."

Madaro also said state funding will be helping fund more beat cops in Eastie through community policing grants. This money will ensure more police are walking around the neighborhood in more busy areas like squares and business districts.

"This helps our local police build relationships and trust with residents and businesses," said Madaro. "This was a popular program that was cut during the 2009 recession but we were able to get it back on track."

Another \$250,000 in public safety money will go to funding a dedicated State Trooper(s) that will patrol Constitution Beach during

the busy summer months.

Finally Madaro secured \$75,000 in funding to run a job readiness program at East Boston High School as well as another \$75,000 for a Museum of Science engineering education program at Eastie's elementary schools.

"The job readiness program at the high school has been something I've gotten into the budget for the past few years," said Madaro. "It is a program that has worked really well putting students on a path to a successful career right out of high school. The Museum of Science engineering education program is something that is new to the budget and something I'm really excited about. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education is training students for the jobs of today and the future. However, studies show that a disproportionate amount of women and people of color are not represented in these fields. We will partner with the Museum of Science to begin a pilot program to bring quality STEM education to every elementary school in East Boston. This program will really open the eyes of the students in our community that a career in STEM is something they can attain."

## Boston's SPARK Council to host East Boston Social

The City of Boston's SPARK Council, a cohort of millennial civic leaders and social entrepreneurs, will be hosting their first neighborhood social in East Boston. The social will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. at The Quiet Few, Eastie's newest gastropub located on Sumner

Street in Jeffries Point.

The SPARK Boston social is an opportunity to network with other civically-engaged millennials, meet elected officials, and learn more about how to get involved in the community. The free event is for ages 21 and up, and open to the public.

Speakers at the event include City Councilor Lydia Edwards, State Representative Adrian Madaro, and Executive Director of Maverick Landing Community Services, Rita Lara.

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## CONGRATULATIONS, PAT CAPOGRECO ON YOUR RETIREMENT

We join with the entire East Boston community, especially his family members, friends, and colleagues, in congratulating well-known East Boston resident Pasquale “Pat” Capogreco upon his retirement from his position as a health inspector with the City of Boston Inspectional Services Department.

Pat served for 31 years with distinction in the department, ensuring that residences and business establishments adhered to the state sanitary codes that protect the health and safety of all residents and food service customers across the city.

Pat was a part of a very important, but often unheralded, work force in city government that goes to work each day and does their job with professionalism and skill.

Those of us who were fortunate to be at Pat’s recent farewell celebration at Santarpio’s witnessed an outpouring of admiration for the guest of honor and the high esteem with which Pat was held by his colleagues at ISD. He was a dedicated employee who mentored others while setting an example with his dedication to ISD’s mission.

What we have always admired about Pat Capogreco and his sisters, Maria and Lisa, is the genuine warmth and congeniality in their demeanor that lifts the spirit of others in their presence and that has been exhibited for years in their volunteer efforts on behalf of causes large and small in East Boston.

Their parents, Vincenzo and Lina Capogreco, know beyond a doubt that their children have had a positive impact on the lives of others and that they have helped countless members of our community without seeking individual recognition for their noble deeds.

We wish Pat Capogreco best wishes in his new endeavor in the public relations department at Cargo Ventures in East Boston. We know that Pat will be as much an asset to Cargo Ventures as he was to the City of Boston during his employment at ISD.

Congratulations Pat, and keep up the great work. You are indeed a credit to the entire East Boston community.

## WE ARE DRINKING, DRUGGING, EATING, AND STRESSING OURSELVES TO DEATH

Okay, we know it is the holiday season -- a time for good cheer and all that.

But the results of a report issued last week by the Centers for Disease Control reveal a disturbing and dangerous pattern in the United States: The life expectancy of the average American has declined in the past few years, reversing the general trend of the past 130 years of an increase in our collective longevity.

Although the decline in life expectancy has been most acute in poorer parts of the country, it cuts across all socio-economic groups.

There are many specific causes that the researchers point to as contributing to the downward trend, such as the opioid crisis, which tragically has cut short the lives of tens of thousands of our fellow Americans in the past decade.

There also has been an increase in the use -- and abuse -- of alcoholic beverages, which have been labeled a Class 1 carcinogen by the World Health Organization.

Our poor eating habits also play a large role in shortening our lives.

As a recent article in The New York Times noted, “Obesity is a significant part of the story. The average woman in America today weighs as much as the average man half a century ago, and men now weigh about 30 pounds more. Most people in the United States are overweight -- an estimated 71.6 [percent] of the population ages 20 and older, according to the CDC. That figure includes the 39.8 [percent] who are obese, defined as having a body mass index of 30 or higher in adults (18.5 to 25 is the normal range). Obesity is also rising in children; nearly 19 [percent] of the population ages 2 to 19 is obese.”

The ads for fast-food restaurants, primarily shown during college football games, that show those close-up photos of tantalizing double-bacon cheeseburgers topped with onion rings, are an open invitation to heart disease, cancer, and diabetes.

Although the researchers note these cause-specific reasons for many early deaths in the U.S., the statistics suggest that there is something more going on that is not readily apparent.

Depression and loneliness have risen at alarming rates. It is said that loneliness is as bad for our physical health as smoking two packs of cigarettes per day.

The national suicide rate -- the ultimate expression of depression and despair -- has risen alarmingly by 30 percent in the past decade. Even if we do not commit that ultimate act of ending our lives quickly, our lifestyles are contributing to our shorter national life span.

So here’s our holiday message:

Don’t drink -- and certainly don’t do drugs -- and watch what you eat.

But most important, get together with your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers. Isolation is bad for our health, and just as we have to make an effort to exercise and eat right, we also have to make an effort to get out of our homes and socialize.

It truly is a matter of life -- or death.



# Forum



IT’S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE...

GUEST OP-ED

## A holiday strategy

off a pound or two, but it does not lie. The sad staggering number tells me what I don’t what to see and there have been times it has been bad and sad! Who needs to start January 2020 ten pounds heavier?!! You don’t need it! Who does?

People literally go crazy eating during the holidays eating “pounds” of candy, cookies and eating the dining room table. You don’t have to eat the kitchen just because you can. Make a determination now how you are going to conduct your eating this holiday. You can have a good plate of food and even splurge on a dessert without busting your waistline. You don’t need three plates of food and four desserts. You’ll be glad if you approach the holidays with some discretion or you will be sad and feel bad in January if you eat your head off. Now,

don’t be mad at me because you have total freedom on what you put in your mouth.

Participate in Christmas. It’s more fun if you participate in life. Visit some elderly people who can’t get out much. Visit the nursing home. People are lonely in those places. Last Christmas Eve my wife and I went to the local nursing home and visited the residents. Not one room in that nursing home on Christmas Eve had any family or visitors. It was a very sad, lonely place. If you want to feel good, do good. Take some of your food and give it away before Christmas. Don’t take people leftovers. Maybe there is a family or two that you might help in some tangible way? Think about it and God will lead you with some good charitable ideas.

This year remember who and what the seasons are

about. Focus on Joy, Peace and good will toward all. Say good words to people. Be Kind. Wish the best for others. Help others if and when you can. Don’t say bad things about people and give people second chances.

Make your holiday strategy today for a season of gladness.

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*Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.*

## LETTER to the Editor

### ON YOUTH VAPING

Dear editor,

Vaping by youth has become what the U.S. Surgeon General calls an epidemic and many people are working to find solutions. I’m asked frequently what can be done to turn the tide, and now new resources are available to educate youth and help those who want to quit vaping.

Sadly, many youth are unaware of the facts about and the dangers of vaping. To help, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health developed a campaign designed for youth found at [mass.gov/vaping](https://mass.gov/vaping). It provides facts and materials for young people that compare vapes and cigarettes: both put nicotine and cancer-causing chemicals in their body and both are highly addictive and dangerous for young people.

The vaping epidemic has led parents, schools and youth-serving organizations to struggle with how to help youth who are addicted to nicotine and want to quit. Now, two new free

programs, This is Quitting powered by [truth@andmylife.com](mailto:truth@andmylife.com) and My Life, My Quit, are available to help Massachusetts youth become nicotine- and tobacco-free.

Quitting vapes or other tobacco products can be hard. Here are some ways you can help young people get the support they need:

- This is Quitting powered by [truth@andmylife.com](mailto:truth@andmylife.com) is a free and confidential texting program for young people who vape. Text “VapeFreeMass” to 88709. In partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

- My Life, My Quit has youth coach specialists trained to help young people by phone or text. Young people can call or text “Start My Quit” to 855-891-9989 for free and confidential help. or sign up online at [mylifemyquit.com](https://mylifemyquit.com).

- Visit [teen.smokefree.gov](https://teen.smokefree.gov) for tools and tips.

- Encourage young people to ask their school nurse or counselor, athletic coach, doctor, parent or other trusted adult for help.

- For more information, young people can visit [mass.gov/vaping](https://mass.gov/vaping).

• More information for parents/adults is available at [GetOutraged.org](https://GetOutraged.org).

Talking with young people about vaping is essential—youth need to know that vaping is harmful and that help is available for

those who want to quit. Visit [GetOutraged.org](https://GetOutraged.org) to learn more or contact me at [eduran@hria.org](mailto:eduran@hria.org).

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# Pat Capogreco retires after 31 years of service to Boston

*The Capogreco family has been well known in the East Boston community for decades. His father, Vincenzo, operated an Italian grocery store.*

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Rep. Adrian Madaro again hosted East Boston’s annual Thanksgiving Day charitable dinner that has made the holiday a little more cheerful for hundreds of low-income, homeless and elderly residents in the neighborhood.

Madaro and a group of friends, family and an army of volunteers from across the neighborhood provided a full Thanksgiving meal to over 400 residents that may otherwise go hungry at the Sacred Heart Church hall on Thanksgiving Day.



Sen. Joseph Boncore and his wife, Christine.



Above: Katherine McDonald serves up a dinner.

Left: Attendees were all smiles during the annual event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro with Officer Tommy Dominico, Joseph Ruggiero and Sergeant Jimmy Martin.



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Rep. Adrian Madaro with his father, Jacopo, mother, Debra, and wife, Ariel.



Rep. Adrian Madaro poses with the kitchen volunteers that helped to make this year's event a success.

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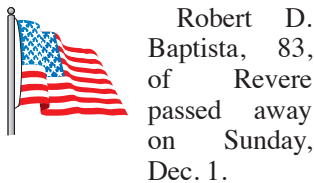
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Sen. Joseph Boncore, Jim Kearney and Rep. Adrian Madaro.

# OBITUARIES

## Robert Baptista

GE retiree



Robert D. Baptista, 83, of Revere passed away on Sunday, Dec. 1. Robert was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during the Korean War and retiree from General Electric in Lynn. He was also a lifelong member of the Pleasant Park Yacht Club, held a charter boat Captains License and was a lifelong member of the Winthrop Elks Club.

He was the beloved husband of Elizabeth (Rossi) Baptista, loving father of Lee Ann Voner and her husband, Richard of Revere, Lisa Murphy and her husband, Arthur of Danvers, Roberta Grutti and her husband, Vincenzo of Middleton, and the late Michael Baptista; caring brother of Jean Festa of Hawaii; cherished grandfather of Jennifer, Richard Jr., Shawn, Ross, Madison, Michael, Vincenzo, and Sophia and great-grandfather of Mason, Dylan and Ian. He is



also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Family and friends will honor Robert's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach St., Revere on Thursday, Dec. 5, from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. before leaving in procession to the Immaculate Conception Church in Revere for a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in his honor at 10:30 a.m. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

For guest book and directions please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

Tina M. Grande, 90, a lifelong East Boston resident, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 27.

She was the loving mother of Deborah Battista, Lorraine Consalvi and her husband, Ron, Ralph Battista and

Louis Vaccaro and his wife, Anita; cherished grandmother of Mia Rizzuti, Sureya Winocour and her husband, Jesse, Tara and Alexis Vaccaro and adored great-grandmother of Sara, Ralph and Nicholas Rizzuti and great-great-grandmother of Lilyanna Rizzuti and Daniel McNeil. She was the caring sister of Raymond Grande and is

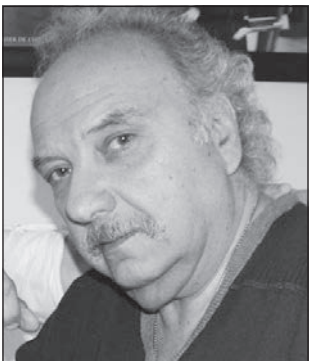


also survived by her former husband, Antonio Vaccaro and son-in-law Munib Wober.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Vazza Beechwood Funeral Home, Revere.

## Anthony DiStacio

Past member of the Orient Heights Civic Club and Progressive Club of East Boston



Anthony L. DiStacio of Middleton, formerly of Peabody and East Boston, passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 1.

A past member of the Orient Heights Civic Club and the Progressive Club of East Boston, he was the loving son of the late Louis and Pauline (Lomanno) DiStacio, devoted husband, for over 56 years to Elizabeth "Betty" (Carino) DiStacio, dear father of Lisa DeFelle of Peabody and Kim Richard of Charlestown, beloved brother of Norma Meola of East Boston and the late Marie Winoski and cherished grandfather of Judah and Michael.

He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will honor Anthony's life, by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, (Orient Heights) East Boston today, Wednesday, Dec.

4 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Thursday with a service in our Serenity Chapel at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with Anthony being laid to rest in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody.

In honoring Anthony's life, memorial donations may be made in his name to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005. For more information, please visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com).

## Bronislaw 'Ronny' Bakunowicz

Of East Boston



Bronislaw "Ronny" Bakunowicz of East Boston passed away on Nov. 27.

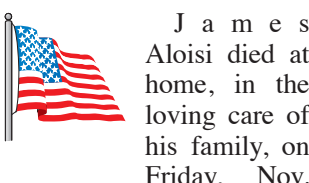
He was the loving son of Livercina (Dos Santos) Bakunowicz and the late Anton of East Boston, dear brother of Paul Bakunowicz and his wife, Maria of Florida, Stan Bakunowicz of Revere and Sonia Santilli and her husband, Pat of East Boston. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

In accordance with Ronny's family, services are private. In honoring Ron-

ny and in lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to a charity of your choice. For more information, please visit [www.ruggieromh.com](http://www.ruggieromh.com).

## James Aloisi

Member of the greatest generation



James Aloisi died at home, in the loving care of his family, on Friday, Nov.

29 at the age of 93. Jim grew up in Medford, the youngest of the seven children of Agrippino and Antonetta (Speranza) Aloisi. His sisters Mary, Rose and Josie and his brothers, Joseph, Mike, Sam and Frank predeceased him.

He was a graduate of Medford High School, and as a young man he earned the distinction of becoming an Eagle Scout.

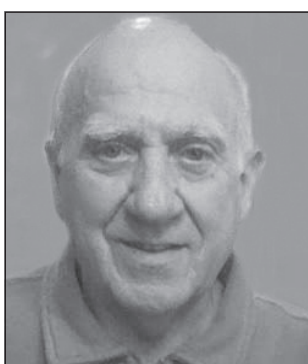
Jim married Rose Costa, an East Boston native, four years after he returned from naval service in World War II. They were born two weeks apart in the same month of the same year, and they died two months apart, as if they were always meant to be closely linked through life's journey.

He was a part of that "Greatest Generation," the men and women who took their courage for granted. That courage was born in their perseverance, overcoming the deprivations of the Great Depression and, later, defending the world in a global conflict when the cause was clear and the moral imperative never in doubt. Jim served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters, notably guarding ships on the perilous Murmansk Run.

Jim and Rose were married in June of 1949, settled in East Boston, had two children and lived and loved through good times and bad through 70 years of marriage.

Jim worked for many years for the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company and, during the Christmas holidays, he would work evenings at the Post Office in order to earn a little extra money to pay for the holiday presents. In later years he worked for the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, heading the rate setting division.

Rose was a formidable



cook, and Jim was a formidable eater. In food they found a special place of enjoyment and pleasure. In retirement, they summered at Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard where Jim found special enjoyment in creating and tending a lush seasonal garden.

Before he died, he was the oldest living member of the Saint Agrippina Society, a religious group that venerates the patron saint of Mineo, Sicily.

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

Jim Aloisi is mourned by his two children, who will miss the warmth of his gentle, generous, spirit, their spouses Paul Rehme and Susan Ward, and by many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

The family strongly prefers that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to either St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to Care Dimensions, 75 Sylvan St. Suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923.

His Funeral will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere today, Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 9:45 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 45 Brooks Street, East Boston at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited.

## Grazio Mellone

Longtime member of the Iron Workers Union



Grazio Mellone of Revere, formerly of East Boston, passed away Nov. 26.

A longtime member of the Iron Workers Union Local #7, he was the loving husband of 65 years to Palma (Chiola) Mellone

## ST. JUDE NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.

My prayers have been answered. I.T.


of Revere, devoted father of Alfonso and Giovanni, both of Italy, Rosa Grasso and her husband, Demetrio and Giuseppe "Pino" and his wife, Marlene, all of Revere and the cherished grandfather of eight. He is also survived by his many loving great-grand children, as well as his many loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were by the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga St. (Orient Heights) East Boston. Grazio was laid to rest at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

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## Meghan Ann O'Brien-Pheley

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Meghan Ann O'Brien-Pheley was an amazing athlete, excelling in basketball, softball and long distance cycling and competed in a marathon, placing very high. Meghan earned a nursing degree from Coconino Community College, and was a Registered Nurse.

Meghan loved the out of doors. She fly fished the rivers and streams of Montana and Alaska. She hunted, hiked the 6,000-foot mountains usually alone near Flagstaff, Ariz. looking for shed antlers, and from childhood her earliest defining words were "Me do it," and no matter what it was, she wanted to complete things on her own. Meghan was also an accomplished photographer who earned prestige in nature photographs, and her photographs literally brought the outside world she loved to vivid reality.

Meghan left us all too soon, but we will always carry her in a place deep within our hearts.



Meghan is survived by her parents, Kemp Pheley and Maureen O'Brien-Pheley of Southern Oregon; three brothers; Justin Pheley of California; Joshua Pheley and his wife, Amy and their children, Connor and Caleb of Alaska and Kevin Pheley, Southern California; aunts Katy O'Brien of East Boston, Christina Komadina of Washington, D.C., and her uncle, Greg O'Brien of East Boston.

Private family services will be held in Oregon and if you wish to make a donation, please do so in Meghan's name to the charity of your choosing.

For additional information visit: perfuneralhome.com.

This year the East Boston YMCA's annual turkey drop was supported by the generous contributions of Cargo Ventures and Hilton Boston Logan Airport. With their generous donations the Y was able to provide

## ANNUAL EAST BOSTON YMCA ANNUAL TURKEY DROP

vide over 60 families with full Thanksgiving dinners complete with all the fixins.

"Each year the East Boston Y is able to provide our families with Thanksgiving dinners so they don't have to worry about where it's

going to come from," said YMCA Executive Director Joseph Gaeta. "This would not be possible without our generous supporters and donors. East Boston is amazing, this city always steps up and makes sure

our community has what it needs to support each other. We are thankful for the support of our elected officials, amazing board team and tireless staff."



Joseph Ferino and Pat Capogreco



Sue Albrigo and Stephanie Cook.



YMCA board member Karen Renata hands off a turkey.

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# Sen. Ed Markey makes campaign stop in Eastie

By John Lynds

In his 43-year career, U.S. Sen. Ed Markey has rarely been the underdog in an election. Markey, who first served in the U.S. House from 1976 to 2013 before being elected to the U.S. Senate in 2013, has built an impressive resume as a champion of environmental issues, immigration rights, addressing opioid abuse, affordable health care and housing.

However, it's 2019 and incumbents with a long history of fighting for their

constituents carry little weight with the new generation of voters. Just ask former U.S. Congressman Michael Capuano who was unseated by Ayanna Pressley last year after serving 20 years in the House.

In September U.S. Congressman Joseph Kennedy III (D-Cape Cod) announced that he would challenge Markey in the 2020 election.

In response, Markey made a campaign stop last Tuesday at the East Boston Social Centers to rally his troops, and begin organiz-



Gloribel Rivas signs up volunteers for U.S. Sen. Ed Markey's reelection.

ing his state campaign on the local level.

Markey was introduced by Rep. Adrian Madaro who has endorsed the U.S. Senator in his bid for reelection against the younger Kennedy.

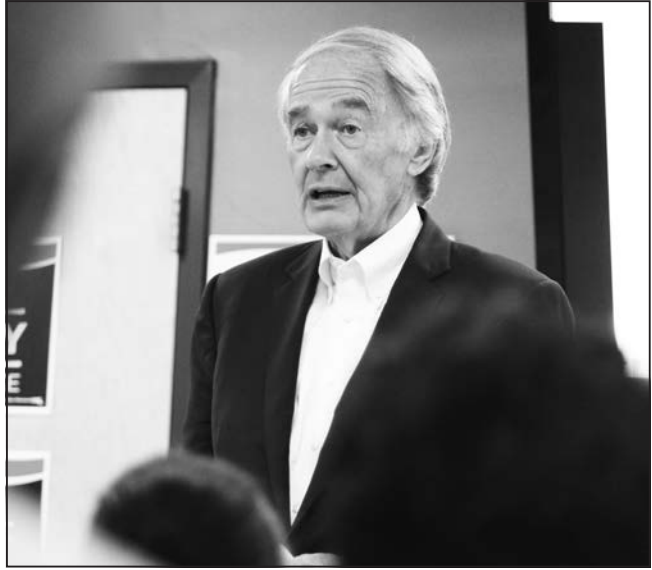
"Sen. Markey has been a man that has been fighting for our community for decades, putting in the hard work on behalf of the people of Massachusetts," said Madaro. "He's been fighting to make important changes on the national level, changes that have transformed our communities for the better. There is no doubt he is a gifted leader and expert on policy. You can't mention the name



Rep. Adrian Madaro introduces U.S. Sen. Ed Markey.



The crowd of volunteers hopes to step up U.S. Sen. Ed Markey grassroots effort here in Eastie.



U.S. Sen. Ed Markey addresses the crowd of campaign volunteers.



Rep. Adrian Madaro talks with a campaign volunteer during an event for U.S. Sen. Ed Markey last week.



U.S. Sen. Ed Markey thanks Rep. Adrian Madaro for his support.



U.S. Sen. Ed Markey campaign worker hypes up the crowd during last week's event at the Social Centers.



Campaign volunteers applaud U.S. Sen. Ed Markey record.



U.S. Sen. Ed Markey calls on the group of campaign volunteers at last week's event to spread the word, get involved and help him continue his work in the Senate.

Ed Markey without talking about climate change because he's been a stalwart champion of the environment for his entire career. He has a very strong record of fighting for progressive policies to address climate change and environmental justice that impacts coastal communities like East Boston."

Before turning the microphone over to Markey Madaro added that at a time of division in the country over immigration, gay rights and other issues Markey has emerged a voice for those who have been marginalized.

"We have this incredible man fighting to make the U.S. more inclusive," said Madaro. "As we know here in East Boston diversity is our strength and Sen. Markey has defended immigration rights, a women's right to chose, gay rights, you name it he has fought to make the country a better place for all people."

Markey thanked the crowd of community organizers for coming to the Social Centers to be part of his reelection.

"I can feel the grassroots

efforts happening all across the Commonwealth," said Markey "We have big issues that we have to fight for. That's what I do and have been doing every single day in the Senate. I stand up and fight for you. I stand up and fight for the people in East Boston and surrounding communities."

As a community heavily impacted by the opioid crisis that swept across America, Markey recently called on funding changes to the American HealthCare Act because it could "very literally translate into a death spiral for those with opioid use disorders" due to inadequate funding, often resulting in individuals abandoning substance use disorder treatment.

Markey also pointed to his progressive stance on climate change issues. In February 2019 Markey and U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) released a 14-page summary of their Green New Deal plan to address climate change. It calls for implementing the "social cost of carbon" that was part of the Obama administration's plans to address climate change and

transitioning the United States to 100 percent renewable, zero-emission energy sources, zero-emission vehicles, and high-speed rail systems.

"We are a mile away from disaster," said Markey. "We have the second fastest warming body of water in the world off our coastline. We will be the ones that are inundated unless we act now to address climate change. Hurricane Sandy missed us, but if it hit East Boston we would still be recovering from that disaster. We will be paying a huge price if we don't deal with the warnings we have seen. You know we have a problem when a tornado goes down Broadway in Revere. This is not Global Warming this is "Global Weirding" caused by the warming of our planet. We have a responsibility to heed the science that we have been given."

In the end Markey called on the group of campaign volunteers at last week's event to spread the word, get involved and help him continue his work in the Senate.

## GSCA votes on two projects

By John Lynds

Members of the Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) voted on two development projects at the group's November meeting last week.

For the first project GSCA members voted 8 to 3 against a project at 10 Geneva St. The proposal calls for erecting a four story building on a 5,195 square-foot lot. The building would include seven units of housing with seven off-street parking spaces. All the units would be market rate condo units, consisting of two-bedroom and two-bathroom units.

The only negative com-



Attorney Richard Lynds discusses his client's proposals at last week's GSCA meeting.

ments about the project came from the abutters next door. While their home is only three stories and 32

feet they felt the four-story, 37.2-foot proposed building was far too tall. They asked if it could be reduced to three stories.

GSCA members then voted 7 to 4 in favor of a project at 255 Maverick St. There the proposal is to raze the existing manufacturing building and erect a four story mixed use building. The building would include nine residential units, one retail unit and nine off-street parking spaces. Each unit would consist of two bedroom, two bathroom market-rate condo units. The retail space would include a low-intensity type business as to not create too much traffic in the area.

Thank you!

from the East Boston Thanksgiving Day Dinner Committee

On behalf of my family and the community of East Boston, I would like to thank all of our generous sponsors, donors and volunteers that helped make our annual dinner an overwhelming success. This year I am pleased to announce that we were able to feed nearly 500 East Boston residents.

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Adrian C. Madaro

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SPARK Boston is responsible for advising the City of Boston on issues affecting the millennial population and working with City departments and community stakeholders to help solve those issues. Programs include neighborhood meetups, voter registration pop-ups, and salary negotiation workshops.

The SPARK Council represents and lives in 20 different neighborhoods across the City of Boston. East Boston 2019-2020 SPARK Council members include Gabriela (Gigi) Colletta, Shannon Montanez, Fernando Ortiz, and Jared Staley.

The group is 60 percent people of color and includes

environmental scientists, marketing experts, public servants, youth workers, consultants, urban planners, artists, students, and more. Approximately a fourth of the Council are native Bostonians, while others grew up as far outside of Boston as Ohio, Indiana, California, Texas, and Jamaica. Thirty five percent of Boston residents were between the ages of 20 and 34 as of 2015, according to an analysis from the Boston Foundation.

To register for the event, please visit <http://eastiesparksocial.eventbrite.com/>. For more information about the event, please contact Amy Mahler at [amy.mahler@boston.gov](mailto:amy.mahler@boston.gov).

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Docket No. SU19P2088EA  
Estate of: Evelyn D. Morash  
Date of Death: 05/12/2019  
To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Stephen A. Morash of South Dartmouth, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Stephen A. Morash of South Darmouth, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/18/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: November 13, 2019  
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ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING  
Docket No. SU19D2100DR  
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Upon motion of plaintiff(s) for an order directing the defendant(s), to appear, plead, or answer, in accordance with Mass.R.Civ.P./Mass.R.Dom.Rel.P. Rule 4, it appearing to the court that this is an action for Divorce 1B. Pursuant To Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411, an Automatic Restraining Order has been entered against the above named parties. Defendant cannot be found within the Commonwealth and his/her present whereabouts are unknown. Personal service on defendant is therefore not practicable, and defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action. It is Ordered that defendant is directed to appear, plead, answer, or otherwise move with respect to the complaint herein on or before January 16, 2020. If you fail to do so this Court will proceed to a hearing and adjudication of this matter. Date: November 25, 2019  
Hon. Megan H. Christopher  
Justice of Probate and Family Court  
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Docket No. SU19P2504GD  
In the matter of: Jaime J. Vasquez RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person  
Of: Boston, MA  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Flor Umana of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Jaime J. Vasquez is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Flor Umana of Boston, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. 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 12/19/2019. 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 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.

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Docket No. SU19D1767DR  
Doris Lopera vs. Richard Mejia  
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The parade kicked off from Condor Street and went through East Boston streets before arriving in Orient Heights Square.

East Boston's elected officials were on hand to light the tree in Orient Heights Square along with a special visit from Santa.

The event included performances from the Beverly Richards Dancers and the East Boston Central Catholic Choir.

Food was donated by local restaurants like Mi

Pueblito, Great Chef, Little Asia, El Kiosko, Dunkin' Donuts, and Milano's.

The annual Holiday

Parade is sponsored with trucks from Todisco Towing in East Boston.



Santa poses for pictures.



The East Boston Central Catholic School Choir performs.



The annual event brings families from across Eastie.



Joseph Ruggiero escorts Santa to the event.



After a countdown the Christmas Tree in Orient Heights Square is lit.



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