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The guys of 'Old Men Walking' are, well, old men walking. But that's not all they are.

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WR walkers in the Boston Film Fest

Reconnecting with every step

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Could a whole movie about walking really work?

Well, yes: the first three Lord of the Rings movies proved it as a concept. But could a whole movie about six men going for walks?

The film, "Old Men Walking," is accurate in its title. It is about old men walking.

But that's not all it's about. The club these friends formed created an opportunity for them to reconnect and find connection that they've missed since they were kids. And they hope they can in-

spire others to do the same.

The film will be showing twice at the Dedham Community Theatre later this month.

Filmmaker, West Roxbury native and one of the subjects of the film Michael Connelly said the walking club was how he and his friends reconnected over the pandemic. The group is an old friend group formed when they were all kids, but Connelly said they drifted away in life, as many men often do. He said most of his friendships during his middle years, like he found with his friends, were built over jobs and work, but now that he's retired, they're not as available as they used to be.

So Connelly said he and his childhood buds started talking again and started a walking club to stay in touch.

Connelly said he and his childhood best friends started up again right where they left off, though the conversation topics have changed a bit.

"We walk slow, we complain, we talk about sports, we talk about the weather – I mean it's no different than when we were in high school, talking about everything," he said. "Sports, politics, our lives... the only thing that's really changed is we used

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The vacant lot at 41 Amory Street, now a priority of the JSNA's agenda.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

First meeting of Jackson Square Neighborhood Association

Looking for ideas for 75 Amory

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

About a dozen residents from Mildred Hailey Apartments came to the first meeting of the Jackson Square Neighborhood Association (JSNA) on Aug. 27.

Chair Willie Mitchell introduced the hybrid meeting saying, "Welcome to our very first one."

JSNA is still supported by the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation (JPNDNC) with Andrea Grimaldi, Director of Community Organizing and Alyssa Benafew Ramos Director of Communications, providing tech support.

JSNA is also still operating on the Boston Children's Hospital grant; Korean Street Food Gingham Spice at 250 Centre St. provided the food.

Mitchell introduced the other board members: Sarah Lewis, Purple Reign, and Danny Vargas.

Mitchell said, "Our mission is collaboration, supporting equitable development, inclusive neighborhoods, and shaping the future of the community."

"There are two Committees within the Association," Mitchell said, "Safety and Housing."

"Housing is very important," he said, introducing the Housing

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HPNA, Planning discuss ADU zoning

Virtual public meeting on Sept. 15

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) met on Sept. 3. Its two main appointments concerned the proposed rezoning of the community's residential areas, and an approved development in Canton that may have an environmental impact on the neighborhood.

The Planning Department's Neighborhood Housing rezoning initiative has been underway in the city – specifically Hyde Park, Roslindale, and West Roxbury – since early 2024.

Its stated goals are to create and apply new zoning districts to simply and effectively bring the city's existing housing stock into zoning compliance (currently, about 98 percent of it isn't), and to relax zoning requirements for the construction of accessory dwelling units (ADUs).

Since first proposed, the zoning's allowance for exterior property improvements (e.g., porches and dormers) without the need for relief (AKA zoning variances) has been well-received.

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People gathered around the draft zoning map for Hyde Park after the HPNA meeting on Sept. 3.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

Spotted Lanternflies Invade Boston

Menace to trees and picnics



Lanternflies are showing up in Boston and leaving their sticky mark on the city.

COURTESY PHOTO

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

Boston has experienced a surge in invasive spotted lanternflies over the past month. Residents have spotted these lanternflies in many areas, including Millennium Park, Roslindale Village, and the Arnold Arboretum. The Mass. Dept. of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) recently stated that the insect has been detected in over 50 cities and towns across the state. It was first seen in Massachusetts in 2021.

Spotted lanternflies reach adulthood in August, with their activity peaking in September and October. The invasive insects damage trees by drinking their sap – after they feed, they produce a lot of sticky waste that can attract wasps and grow fungus. They feed on over 100 species of plants including maple, tree-of-heaven, birch, black walnut, sumac, and many more. The lanternflies do not feed on pine, spruce, or fir trees. They also damage and kill grapevines.

“This is the first year we’ve

found them [spotted lanternflies] on the Arboretum’s property,” remarked Arnold Arboretum Arborist Delia Mahoney. “We have also been working with MDAR regarding the management and monitoring of the lanternflies.” Mahoney explained that their preferred host is the tree of heaven, which is a non-native, invasive plant in North America. They also tend to lay their eggs on maple trees.

Staff at the Arnold Arbore-

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Allston Post Office needs you

From District 9
City Councilor Liz Breadon:

An Update on the Allston Post Office and Ways for You to Get Involved

From District 9 City Councilor Liz Breadon:

Last week, Allston residents received a letter from the United States Postal Service notifying them of USPS’ decision to permanently close the Allston Post Office branch.

This is a slap in the face to our neighborhood and a complete reversal from USPS’ decision in June of last year to reestablish a post office in Allston.

The United States Postal Service suspended services at the Allston Post Office branch in 2019 due to structural issues with the building. For the past seven years, Allston-Brighton’s 87,000 residents have had to rely solely on the Brighton Post Office branch.

There are a few things you can do to tell USPS to honor their commitment to our neighborhood and reestablish an Allston Post Office:

1. Attend the upcoming virtual community meeting- USPS is hosting a community meeting this Friday, September 11th at 1:00 pm. If you are an Allston resident affected by the closure,

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Hebrew Seniorlife to receive state funding

Part of push for 2,500 new homes

Governor Maura Healey last week continued her work to build more homes and lower housing costs in the state by announcing \$278 million in state and federal financing and tax credits for housing development. These homes will be built in 20 communities across Massachusetts.

The funding will help to build 78 homes for seniors in Roslindale at the proposed Hebrew Senior Life development on the Roslindale, West Roxbury and Jamaica Plain lines. The Boston Planning and Development Agency Board voted to approve the project last year – <https://gvimes.link/hbrwsnr1f>

These awards were made possible in part through the Affordable Homes Act and by Governor Healey’s tax cuts package, which significantly increased state support for housing production. Today’s awards are the largest single round of awards made from this housing program in in more than a decade. Since taking office, the Healey-Driscoll Administration has created or preserved more than 10,000 homes through this program alone.

Governor Healey, Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, Housing and Livable Communities Secretary Juana Matias and other admin-

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However, its allowance for additional living units (ADUs) as-of-right has been met with a mixed response.

Those who have expressed ADU enthusiasm have focused on the possibility of being able to more easily add an interior, attached, or free-standing in-law apartment (or two) to their properties. Those who have expressed concern have concentrated on the potential for the new zones to be exploited to the detriment of the residential areas where they would be applied, which – in the cases of Hyde Park, Roslindale, and West Roxbury – would be nearly everywhere.

The draft zoning maps for the three neighborhoods were released for public review in mid-July and, at Thursday’s meeting, members of the Planning Department’s zoning reform team explained the initiative and the new districts, while also engaging in a Q&A limited by time.

The handful who commented fell on the side of concern, expressing thoughts on tree canopy protection/preservation, the method of determining and mapping the districts’ proposed locations, and the inconstant nature of the Zoning Board of Appeal’s decision-making process were all talking points. Beyond that, people were continuing to familiarize themselves with a topic that lends itself to complexity – a point driven home when the meeting had adjourned and a small group gathered around the front table for a closer look at the draft zoning map and to continue asking questions.

The initiative’s comment period for all three neighborhoods goes until Oct. 31, and next Tuesday, Sept. 15, there will be a virtual public meeting from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. On Thursday, it was also announced that the Allston-Brighton Community Plan map

will be presented then.

To register for the meeting and to access a copy of the Neighborhood Housing draft zoning amendment and any of the three neighborhoods’ draft zoning maps, and to comment on them and view the schedule of upcoming office hours, visit www.bostonplans.org/neighborhood-housing. To contact the Neighborhood Housing team, send an email to nbhdzoning@boston.gov.

The other appointment centered on a project just outside the neighborhood and the city.

Canton borders Hyde Park at Fowl Meadow, a state-designated Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), and according to presenter Courtney Wason – one of a coalition of residential abutters opposed to the project – the town-approved Green Lane Subdivision falls within it.

The site is comprised of two wooded lots (70 Green Ln. and 90 Green St.) with two homes. However, if built as approved, the combined 22 acres would become a subdivision of 11 houses, and Wason put forward that the increased impervious surfaces – combined with extensive tree removal – could heighten the flood risk in the Neponset River Basin, impacting Hyde Park.

Wason also noted that the project’s approval has been appealed, triggering a review by the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Office that includes the submission of public comments, which she suggested to the 25 or so in the room as an option moving forward.

HPNA President Mimi Turchinets asked that more project information be submitted. There are, however, some plans available at www.town.canton.ma.us/334/Planning. The MEPA comment period has not yet opened for the review, but Wason noted that there had been an intent to file on Sept. 2. To check on that, visit <https://gvimes.link/>

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In other Hyde Park news: Little Haiti International Cuisine (1184 Hyde Park Ave.) – outside which a melee erupted just after midnight on Aug. 3 that resulted in five people shot, one killed, another stabbed, and others assaulted – reopened on the weekend of Aug. 21 for restaurant service up until 9:30 p.m.

Little Haiti had voluntarily closed since the incident and – after a Licensing Board hearing on Aug. 13 and a vote on Aug. 18 – it was determined that the closure would count as its served suspension. Its live entertainment license has been suspended for at least 90 days, and the Board will have to approve its security plan before it will be allowed to reopen for late night business.

Upcoming Dates:
On Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building (1179 River St.), there will be a community-led meeting regarding the Planning Department’s Squares + Streets (S+S) rezoning of Cleary Square. Since its draft map was released in March, there has been much back-and-forth between the neighborhood and City Hall, and this will shed some light on that progress.

On Saturday, Sept. 19, two fun activities will be going on during the day:

The Annual Fairmount Hill Yard Sale will be scattered throughout the streets leading up from Truman Highway, providing finds, deals, and unintended purchases for those passing through.

Also, the Family Dance Party – coordinated by the Mayor’s Offices of Neighborhood Services; Arts and Culture; Tourism, Sports, and Entertainment; and the Parks Department – will be happening from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Ross Field (145 Westminster St.). All ages are welcome, and so, in the words of Young MC, Bust a Move.

The HPNA meets next on Thursday, Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building/BCYF. For more information, email hydeparkneighbors@gmail.com.

Council seeks to increase affordable housing funds

Might mirror Cambridge, net millions more



District 4 City Councilor Brian Worrell is looking at what it would mean to increase affordable housing's slice of the CPA pie.

COURTESY PHOTO

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met recently and voted to hold a hearing on increasing the percentage of funds dedicated to affordable housing in the Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding process to 80 percent of the total fund.

The CPA works by taking a 1 percent surcharge of property taxes – that’s one percent of the tax payment, not the assessed property – and matching it with state funds collected through real estate transactions. The CPA legislation, for which the city entered into back at the turn of the century, allows for municipalities to spend those funds on affordable housing, historic preservation and open space/recreation.

The law requires that a cer-

tain percentage of the funding must go into each category every year, at least five percent, with another five percent set aside for administration costs. The council is holding a hearing to figure out what shifting the maximum amount of funding to affordable housing – 80 percent – would do to the other categories.

District 4 City Councilor Brian Worrell introduced the order, noting that funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) has now run out. He said the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) has set a goal to allocate 50 percent of the CPA Fund towards affordable housing. It has to be a goal, since all the projects submitted to the CPC for approval have to come from outside the of-

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America’s worst day ever

Way back in 1959 an American history teacher told a classful of wiseguy sophomores about some battle in which only one person died. The Boston College High School 14- and 15-year-olds snickered at Smilin’ Jack Doherty’s revelation, only to be surprised by the Jesuit priest’s sudden sternness: “For that one soldier and his family it was the most important battle of his life.” Not surprisingly, the tittering quickly ceased, and we thought about mortality on the battlefield for that one participant.

Now that we are commemorating the 25th anniversary of September 11th and the thousands that died in New York, at the Pentagon, and in Shanksville, we’re prone to call this America’s worst day, just as our parents and grandparents used to label December 7, 1941, with its 2,043 casualties as the worst day ever for our country.

But by sheer numbers September 17 was the worst day ever for fatalities. The year was 1862, the place Antietam – sometimes called Sharpsburg – during the Civil War, in which 23,000 died in a SINGLE day. (For comparison, the Vietnam War resulted



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in 57,000 casualties after 11 years of fighting.)

Yeah, 23,000 is almost eight times bigger than 2,977 (2,753 in New York, plus 184 in Arlington, VA, plus 40 in Shanksville, PA). Admittedly, many more died after 9/11 from the carcinogens released.

There were not that many injuries per se, as Mass General here in Boston was instructed early on that day to prepare – at no small effort – for treating burn victims, who never were transported here, as most burns were fatal.

May they all rest in peace or, as they used to pray in Latin, “Requiescat in pace.”

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Letters to the Editor

SUPPORT CHANGES TO WEST ROXBURY’S ZONING RULES

Most of us want the same thing for West Roxbury: a neighborhood where people who grew up here can afford to stay, neighbors can grow old nearby, and new community members can put down roots. Is our current zoning delivering that, or standing in the way?

Our restrictive zoning has pushed the median single-family home price over \$800K, with sales regularly crossing \$1 million. At those prices, most kids growing up here today won’t be able to buy a home here as adults. It cuts the other way too: if aging neighbors want to downsize into something smaller nearby, our current zoning doesn’t offer that option.

My family rents and plans to keep renting. More units, whatever form they take, mean more housing for renters like us too, not just future buyers. Right now, our zoning caps nearly every lot at a single unit, limiting the rental pool along with everything else. That’s a choice we make with current zoning, but as a neighborhood we can make different choices!

If “keeping generations of families here” is important, as I’ve heard in public comments, we need flexible housing stock that isn’t priced out of reach. Our current rules work against this goal.

The city is holding a virtual meeting on 9/15; details are on the Boston Planning Department’s website under “Neighborhood Housing”. There is also a West Roxbury Neighborhood Council meeting on Tuesday, 9/22 at 7 p.m. at the E-5 Police Station.

This is the moment to support these zoning changes at the meetings and on the survey <https://gvimes.link/nhbrhdzng>

Jason Brown
West Roxbury

RUSH PUNISHED FOR POLITICAL MALPRACTICE OF DODGING DEBATES

Michael Rush had a tremendous story to tell. In what may go down as one of the most baffling cases of political self-sabotage in recent memory, the longtime state senator chose not to tell it. Instead, he opted to silence himself, and in doing so sealed his fate in the Sept. 1 Democratic primary.

Rush’s story should still be sharp in voters’ memories, because it literally just came to a head. Six years ago, Norwood Hospital was shuttered after a devastating flood. In the years since, the hospital’s owner – the for-profit Steward Health Care – went bankrupt and transferred the property to the for-profit, publicly-traded Medical Properties Trust (MPT). Today, all that stands on the site are a parking garage and the shell of a structure that will hopefully become a hospital someday soon. That “someday soon” appears to be much closer now thanks in large part to Rush. This year he led the effort in the State Senate to pass legislation authorizing the state to seize the Norwood Hospital property by eminent domain (Norwood resident and state Rep. John Rogers led the effort in the House of Representatives).

Though the legislature dragged its feet, the bill recently prevailed. On Aug. 7, Gov. Maura Healey signed the bill authorizing the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) to take the Norwood Hospital property by eminent domain if MPT does not come to an agreement with an operator by Nov. 1. On Aug. 27 – less than a week before the primary election – the governor came to Norwood for a ceremonial signing of the bill with a smiling Rush standing over her left shoulder.

Rush had every reason to smile. His effort paid off, and the result within a few years’ time will hopefully be an operating hospital in Norwood, along with the well-paying jobs and economic boost that should come along with it. It was a tremendous victory for Norwood, as well as for the surrounding communities who will count on the hospital for care, and who are represented in the Senate by Rush.

When it comes to politics, I can think of no better “working for the people” tale than this one. But Rush opted not to tell it. In fact, he opted to speak to voters barely at all. In a political sense, it gave him something in common with Steward Health Care – malpractice. At first, Rush refused to debate his challenger, Persis Yu. He eventually agreed to a single debate at an Aug. 27 candidate forum organized by the Dedham and Westwood Democratic Committees but bailed at the last minute to present a novelty check at a photo op in Walpole instead.

Perhaps Rush believed he would help his reelection chances by denying his challenger the opportunity to make her case to voters in a head-to-head debate. Or maybe Rush was just a little rusty at campaigning. After all, he hadn’t faced a challenger in either a primary or general election since 2012, meaning his election cycles and campaigns were a mere formality for well over a decade. Whatever his reasoning, by refusing to show up to debate his competitor, Rush denied himself a chance to explain to voters how hard he has been working for them—for instance, by saving a hospital. Here in Norwood, people know about that; perhaps that’s why Rush received more than 800 more votes than Yu here; but beyond the town line Yu had the advantage and ultimately defeated Rush by 546 votes (15,404-14,858).

I don’t believe the outcome had much to do with a progressive shift: it had everything to do with showing up. By ducking debates, Rush gave the appearance that he felt entitled to his senate seat, whether intended or not. He may not like that someone challenged him, and he might not agree with his opponent on some issues, but he had an obligation to the voters to make his case and then let them decide. Persis Yu doesn’t have all the answers and isn’t going to solve all the challenges facing the Commonwealth, but she has ideas and showed up repeatedly to make an argument. Rush chose photo ops and silence. His constituents heard that loud and clear, and voted accordingly.

Chris Wristen
Norwood

WHO IN THEIR RIGHT MIND?

We’ve all asked, “What person in their right mind would do that?” We’ve asked it about people leaving shopping carriages in the middle of the aisle, and we might’ve asked it about people driving on the wrong side of the highway.

We’ve asked it about people who kill their own children.

Despite social media sleuths’ theories, Patrick Clancy did not kill Cora, 5, Dawson, 3, and Callan, eight months. Lindsay Clancy did, and she was not in her “right mind.”

Patrick Clancy didn’t know what was wrong with her. She couldn’t sleep for days. She had thoughts about harming herself and her children.

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Frank
Reflections
Frank Sullivan

another “Mother’s Little Helper.” Still feeling lost, lonely, tired, suicidal? Get another doctor. Another “helper.” Go to a

renowned mental health facility. Stay there for a bit, then go home. Call a suicide help line as you plead to doctors, therapists and family for help.

Stop taking your meds. Start. On again, off again. Saddle up. Who cares how many times you must switch horses on the medication merry-go-round at the Crazy Carnival?

Evidence shows that Lindsay Clancy was prescribed Prozac, Zoloft, Remeron, Trazodone, Amitriptyline, Ativan, Klonopin, Valium, Seroquel, Lamictal, Hydroxyzine, Ambien, Buspirone, as well as over-the-counter Benadryl. Who cares if they

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Fifth annual WR Art Walk starting this Saturday

Sidewalk sale and public art demos too

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Main Streets (WRMS) organization is hosting its fifth annual Art Walk on Saturday, Sept. 12.

The Artwalk first hit West Roxbury streets in 2022, and WRMS Executive Director Lindsay Chase said it is a great way to connect artists and businesses and give shoppers a reason to come by. This year, Chase said they have about 20 artists and 25 businesses showing their stuff up and down Centre Street.

“It’s just a great way to support many local entities,” she said. “Just in the most simple of terms, the idea is to increase the foot traffic of the businesses. They go in, look at the art and hopefully are shopping, dining or using a service depending on what business they’re in.”

Chase said it helps the artists too.

“They’re supporting the businesses and at the same time, supporting the artists because a lot of the artists sell their work that way,” she said. “Or, even if they don’t sell the specific work on display, they can get their name out there. People might love the work they do and reach out af-

ter.”

The opening event will feature a sidewalk sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. this Saturday, but the Art Walk itself will be up for a couple of weeks. Saturday will feature a kids play space over at B&M auto from 10 a.m.to 3 p.m., and Bread Thyme will feature a belly dancing performance at 11 a.m. B&M will have a live art demonstration from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Bread Thyme will have one from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Chase said B&M donated its parking lot and the kids play space will feature art activities as well as the live art demonstration.

“It should be a whole lot of fun,” she said.

Chase said WRMS will be hosting its own photography gallery for the Walk featuring its bread and butter: local business owners.

“So back in June when we were celebrating West Roxbury’s 175th anniversary, we had hired a local photography Jonathan Ulman, and he grew up here in West Roxbury and took portraits of business owners,” she said. “They came out so great and everybody was so excited about them, we’re showing them for Art Walk this year. It’s called ‘The Faces Behind the Places.’ We’ve

hung some up at Hastings Street, Recreo will be hosting some on the walk to their back patio, and the Parkway YMCA will also be hosting some.”

Chase said some business owners were very happy with their portraits, and some were a little less enthusiastic.

“They loved it!” she said. “I mean, some of the responses were, ‘Oh God!’ with their head in their hands, but for the most part everybody really enjoyed it and really enjoyed working with Jonathan. They had a lot of fun with it and everybody really enjoyed it. We want residents to see the people behind the businesses and the people doing the work.”

Chase added, however, that she did not get a portrait done.

“Everybody was like, ‘Did you get yours?’ I’m not putting my face up there, I don’t have a business!” she said with a laugh.

Chase said the Walk also helps to beautify the Main Streets district, which she said has been a focus of WRMS lately.

“We’re really working to beautify the corridor for the businesses and this Art Walk really helps that,” she said.

For more info, go to WRMS.org



The Art Walk will be heading through the WRMS Corridor for the next two weeks.

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to talk about girls and parties, but now we talk about prostates and social security!”

When it comes to sports, Connelly said they’re excited about football starting up again.

“I mean the Sox have at least given us something to talk about, and the Patriots are around the corner,” he said. “The great thing is a lot of us originally connected through sports; we played little league together, we played high school sports together, and it’s been sort of a common thread woven through our 60 years together. It’s a nice topic to discuss about what’s going on and it opens us up to so many things.”

For six years they’ve been walking and nobody made a film about it. But Connelly said the film’s origin story all goes back to Ireland – literally, literarily, and figuratively.

“Maybe it’s the Irish in me. I feel like I’m a bit of a storyteller, and the book was the mode I’ve used for the last 20-plus years,” he said. “I’ve written six books, mostly about sports and society and how they parallel each other.”

Those stories dealt mostly with Boston, touching on everything from Ted Williams to the busing crisis.

“Three of those books were made into documentaries, and that

gave me the bug and introduced me to a lot of people in that industry,” he said. “Our group has evolved to the point where we took a trip to Ireland together. We hiked Kirkpatrick Mountain, and while we were there, we gave one of the guys – the one who’s pretty tech savvy – we’d give him all our pictures from the day and he’d put a video together.”

Connelly said it was at that point they all thought this could make a movie.

“I mean, do you think our story of being regular guys seeking connection in a disconnected world would be interesting to people?” he said. “Maybe. Maybe we could convince people to reach out to old friends, old family members, old coworkers, and get the value of being connected that we did at this stage of our lives.”

Connelly said for them, it had been a long time since they all hung out. They were friends mostly as children and in high school, and hadn’t really talked. But the lockdown and the COVID-19 pandemic – along with the fact they had all started to retire – gave them the impetus to get out and do something.

“It makes you sort of contemplate, and at the same time we had COVID-19 going on,” he said. “So we’re stuck in the house,

watching Netflix, and starting to get to the point where we’ve got to do something else or we’ll go crazy. So why not reach out to old friends and see if we could do a Zoom call?”

Suffice to say, making that kind of connection proved difficult.

“Nobody knew what they were doing, we had the mute buttons and the hold thing and we just said, ‘You know what? Us guys aren’t made for this new technology, let’s get together for a walk,’” he said. “We’re not walkers by nature, but we went out that Sunday and now it’s going on six or seven years, and we’ve walked every Sunday, pretty much since then.”

The film premieres at the Dedham Community Theatre on Sept. 20 at 4:30 p.m., with another showing at 7 p.m.

“It’s pretty cool for a bunch of regular guys whose film skills mostly involved being wicked good at the clicker,” he said.

And so Connelly said they had to put a team of people together who knew about film.

“That included our directory of photography Tom Fahey, who worked for 60 Minutes and CBS and is a local guy – the story resonated with him,” he said. “He said, ‘I know exactly what you’re talking about, I’d love to be a part of this project,’ and he gave us a lot of legitimacy. He’s a profes-

sional photographer with a lot of connections.”

Now that he had someone to take the video, Connelly needed someone to put it all together into a coherent narrative.

“So I reached out to all the editors who worked on the national documentaries that my books were involved with, and we got to some people and we found a woman called Patty Sunshine,” he said. “She’s like a Dr. Frankenstein. She’s able to see things others don’t see. Before you knew it, we had footage, a person piecing it together, and it came together in a year. We started in Ireland with iPhones and now we have a film that is being well-recieved enough to be a part of the Boston Film Festival and the Chagrin Film Festival (a documentary festival in Chagrin, Ohio).”

The film covers the group’s connections, but also its walking locations, which include Millennium Park in West Roxbury, Castle Island in Southie, Pope John Paul Park in Dorchester, Hull Beach, the Blue Hills and more.

“We try to spice it up a bit to keep it interesting,” he said. “All of us were born in West Roxbury, but I’m the only one left in West Roxbury. So we’ve got people coming from different locales, and we try to keep it a little bit of a central spot for them.”

Connelly said three members of the group originally met at the Joyce Kilmer Elementary School for kindergarten in the 60s, some at Parkway Little League, some at St. Theresa’s School, and then later three played on the Catholic Memorial Baseball Team.

Connelly said the walks are great exercise, the reminiscing is important, and the movie is a great time. He believes the most important thing is to have a connection to people you really trust and can lean on, if you need it.

“Here we are in our 60s going through some different stages in our lives, and it’s so helpful to have people experiencing things like prostate exams, or when do I take social security, when should I retire; all these things are going on,” he said. “If you were to break up our lives into four sections, we’re in the fourth section right now. So we’re vulnerable, but this connection has allowed us to be vulnerable. To ask questions, to know that you don’t have all the answers, and to ask five other guys ‘Hey, what do you think?’ and get their perspectives. It’s tough for us to do, but we’ve found it’s been invaluable to us, to lean on each other. And to just get out and get a little exercise at the same time.”

For tickets, go to <https://gvimes.link/oldmnwlnkg>

To see the trailer for the film, go to <https://gvimes.link/oldmntrlr>

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Committee Chairperson Purple Reign. “Housing is very important to me and Purple.”

Reign and Mitchell are also both in the leadership of the Jamaica Plain Housing Committee (JPHC).

Reign and Mitchell both live in income-restricted housing recently built and owned by JPND; Reign at 75 Amory Ave. and Mitchell at 61 Heath St.

Reign explained her own life experiences with housing insecurity and how / why her committee’s priorities include housing based on income, “so we all can stay here.”

“Some housing is not affordable to us,” Reign said.

Another priority is “family size, not just studios but three-bedroom apartments, housing open to all.”

Reign said she wants to work on 75 Amory St., “the big vacant lot with the double-decker bus.”

“It’s the biggest parcel of land in JP,” she said. “I want us to work on that.”

“Think about it. What would you like there? Please reach out to me,” Reign said.

The 32,734-square-foot parcel with the double-decker bus (Maxwell Silverman’s Restaurant) and metal shed was bought on June 24, 2016 by Mordechai Levin of Boston Community Ventures (BCV) for \$1.3 million from Joseph Cappadona.

About two years ago a big sign went up on the fence: “For Sale. 617-522-4590.”

The vacant lot is adjacent to three consecutive parcels with two- and three-story brick buildings. BCV bought the old brewery, then the Trimont Tool Factory, in June 2001; BCV moved their office into the brewmasters building at 51 Amory St. in 2014.

In 2019 BCV announced plans for mixed-use development on the two-acre site but that was the last word from BCV.

Until about two years when a big red and white sign went up:

“Office for Lease. 92,000 square feet. 617-522-4580 / info@bcvinc.com.”

There is one tenant, Nuevo Dia Adult Day and Health Care at 75 Amory St.

In the 25 years that BCV has owned 41-75 Amory Street, five mixed-income and income-restricted rental buildings have been built up around it totaling 425 apartments.

Not mentioned by Reign was nearby 960-964 Parker, now being demolished by Urban Edge. This will be replaced by a six-story, 60-unit apartment house designed by Andres Bernal of Jonathan Garland Architects.

Twenty-two of those apartments will be for Boston Housing Authority (BHA) tenant replacement units; eight more will be for new vouchers or one-half of the 60-unit building.

Bashur Kayou gave the Safety Committee report in place of the Committe Chair Bianca Terry.

Kayou acknowledged Boston Police Department District E-13 Community Service Officer Omar Cepeda in the audience.

“Safety falls on us,” Kayou said. “We have to take responsibility. We’re part of the community response team.”

Safety is more than just crime stopping for Kayou.

“Safety is also safe sidewalks and cross walks to walk on,” he said.

Mary from Centre Street stood up and addressed



Willie Mitchell welcomes everyone to the first meeting of the JSNA last week.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

Cepeda.

“We love our E-13,” she said to applause.

“But we need more support from BHA,” she said. “I’m 72 years old. It’s not safe around my building at night. BHA needs to patrol the area at night.”

Mitchell wanted everyone to know about and everyone to come out to “our third annual Peace March.”

“The reason why we started looking at safety is because there’s so many young people,”

he said. No further explanation was given.

“We’re doing it to make a difference.”

Mitchell continued, “The March will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12 at Mozart Playground, ending at the Horan Way Playground for a cookout.”

“We’re meeting every month,” Mitchell said closing out the hour. “The next meeting is Sept. 24 at 6 p.m.,” he added.

“We want to hear from you. These two buildings [4 and 6

Lamartine] have ~400 new people. They need to know about us. It’s going to take time.”

The new neighborhood association is taking full advantage of social media.

At the sign-in table a flyer about the JSNA was handed out that read:

“Stay up to date with all things JSNA. Scan the QR code, email us jacksonsquareneighbors@gmail.com. Follow us on Instagram@jslovs.”

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fice.

“In 2025, using a formula that allocated 50 percent, about \$19 million of a total of \$40 million went to affordable housing, leading to the creation or preservation of approximately 350

units,” he said. “If we had elected to allocate 80 percent, then we could have increased subsidies for affordable projects by \$12 million. Through ARPA funding, we directed \$236 million to affordable housing support and services, but now that money is gone, and there are no capital funds that go directly to affordable housing in the city.”

District 8 City Councilor and hearing co-sponsor Miniard Culpepper said he wants to use the hearing to explore what that funding redirection would mean for the other funding sources.

“Increasing the housing allocation would necessarily involve choices about the other important causes supported by the CPA, and so this hearing gives us an opportunity to understand those trade-offs, and determine whether the current allocation reflects the urgency of Boston’s housing needs,” he said.

Culpepper said using past data, the city could have invested a significantly larger amount of funds into affordable housing.

“The Boston Municipal Research Bureau has estimated that directing 80 percent of those resources towards affordable housing between 2018 and 2025 would have generated an additional \$65 million for housing-related investments,” he said.

Worrell said he felt it was worth looking at.

“I do think amid our ongoing housing crunch, it would be worth considering what it would mean to raise our threshold above the 50 percent,” he said.

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Around the Neighborhood

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Parkway Concert Orchestra is a 50-piece community orchestra under the musical direction of Thomas Kociela which performs classical and pops selections 4-6 times per year in multiple locations around the southwest suburbs of Boston. The orchestra rehearses on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church, 100 Winter Street, Norwood. The fall season begins on September 14, 2026, preparing for concerts on November 1, and December 6 and 13. There are openings for all positions with emphasis on bassoon and percussion. Experienced volunteer musicians are invited to contact us in advance to attend open rehearsal on September 14 to see if we are a good fit.

Please call 781-444-5041 or email parkwayconcertorchestra@gmail.com. For more information about the orchestra, visit the orchestra's web site at www.parkwayconcertorchestra.org.

SPIRIT OF OUR ELDERS

Art Gallery opening at the Gallery of the Roslindale Library – Sept. 5th through October 25th Artist reception Thursday, Sept. 10th from 5-7 p.m. 4246 Washington St. corner of Washington and Poplar

FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS IN HYDE PARK

The Family Van is bringing free health screenings to the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library at 35 Harvard Ave. in Hyde Park on Friday, Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. No appointments or insurance needed. Screenings include blood pressure, blood sugar tests, cholesterol tests and more. Go to familyvan.org for more information. Brought as part of the Hyde Park Health and Wellness Coalition.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT: WEST ROXBURY ZONING POLL & PETITION

The Bellevue Hill Improvement Association (BHIA) is inviting residents to learn more and share their views on the Boston Planning Department's (BPD) proposed West Roxbury zoning changes, which would eliminate single-family residential zoning and replace it with multi-family zoning.

BHIA has opened a Member Poll and a Public Petition to Retain Single-Family Zoning in West Roxbury.

Learn more, take the Member Poll, and sign the Public Petition at: friends of belle vue hill.org

MOUNT HOPE CANTERBURY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

Notice and Agenda:

Please join our next in-person monthly meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2026, 6:00-8:00 p.m. (We meet on the 2nd Thursday each month). Location: Home for Little Wanderers, 780 American Legion Hwy., Roslindale, Room 320

Agenda

1. Community Safety: E-18 Community Police will present the nearby crime report, Q&A.
2. Environment: Explore Canterbury Brook with the Charles River Watershed Association on Fri. 9/11/26 from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meet-your-watershed-city-streams-walk-tickets-1998917927330>
3. Development/Land Use: Please come learn, ask questions, and provide feedback:

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Who and what created the Frankenstein's Monster that became Lindsay the monster mother? Six experts – three defense and three prosecution – testified that Clancy had a variety of mental illnesses.

Isn't that the crux of the Lindsay Clancy case? Was Lindsay Clancy in her "right mind?" Was she properly diagnosed? Adequately treated?

That's the question Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy Cruz should have pondered, or did he, before going with Murder 1? Is Cruz hard-nosed, hard -hearted or pragmatic?

Did he look at the public opinion meter prior to deciding the charges? Did Cruz look in

the rearview mirror and see the Latarsha Sanders case following him? In 2018, Sanders, 43, stabbed each of her two boys, 5-year-old, La'son Britto and his 8-year-old brother, Edson, multiple times with a kitchen knife. How could Cruz charge Sanders with Murder 1 and not Clancy?

Found guilty of two counts of murder, in December, 2022, during a trial overseen by Judge William Sullivan, Sanders was sentenced to two mandatory life sentences. Her conviction was overturned by the SJC five weeks before the Clancy trial ended.

Cruz must decide next steps. After defense attorney Kevin Reddington, and two of Cruz's Assistant DAs – Jennifer Sprague and Shanan Buckingham – battled for five demanding weeks, the nine women and three men on the exhausted jury couldn't agree on a verdict. The same Judge William Sullivan declared a mistrial.

Cruz also must decide how next to charge Clancy. Some trial followers wished

death on Lindsay Clancy. Massachusetts no longer has the death penalty, a fate endured by Alice Bishop, in Plymouth Colony in 1648. After 32-year-old Alice slit her four-year-old daughter Martha's throat, killing her, Bishop had a quick trial and a quicker hanging.

There was no TikTok or Instagram during the Bishop trial. There were no pink-clad throngs outside of Latarsha Sanders' trial. Be that as it may, all three cases have something tragically in common: Innocent children were killed by mothers who weren't "in their right mind."

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Docket No. SU26P1724EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Saverio Ferrara
Date of Death: 02/02/2026

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:

Beatrice Ferrara of Boston, MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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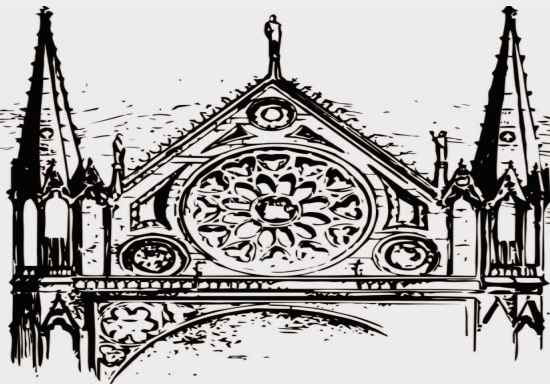
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/13/2026. This is NOT a hearing date, 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.

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Ann Marie (Connelly) of Dedham, formerly of Jamaica Plain, Westwood, Osterville, and Fort Myers, Florida, passed away peacefully on September 2, 2026, surrounded by the love of her family.

Ann was the cherished daughter of the late James and Catherine Connelly. She was the beloved wife of the late Charles J. DeCoste and Eugene Catino. Ann was the devoted and loving mother of Sherée Rau and her husband, Charles, of Norfolk; Chuck

DeCoste and his late wife Maureen, of Littleton; and the late Michelle and Jeffrey DeCoste.

Her children were truly her world. She lived for them and was their biggest fan. Sherée was not only her daughter, but also her best friend and beloved partner in crime. The love and respect they had for each other was profound. Chuck was a wonderful son who never hesitated to make the trip to spend time with her and always arrived with a “Black and White” in hand. Although Ann endured the unimaginable heartbreak of losing Michelle and her baby, Jeffrey, her family takes comfort in knowing that they were both waiting to welcome her at the gates of Heaven, along with Dad.

Ann was the loving sister of James Connelly of West Bridgewater and the late Thomas Connelly. She loved her brothers and always worried about them, as a big sister would. Being a Gram to her 12 grandchildren enriched her life beyond words: Ryan, Kaitlyn, and Elizabeth Halpin; Evan and Noah Rau, Madison Wolfsberg and Emileigh Steffenhagen; Adam, Joseph, Tucker, Heather, and Brady

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DeCoste. They will all miss her loving texts and calls just to check in and say “hi”. All of them cherished those special connections immensely.

Bringing her even more joy and happiness was becoming a great-grandmother, “GG” to her 14 great-grandchildren. She always had one of them on her lap or in her loving embrace. She is further survived by many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members, and dear friends.

Ann devoted many years to the Boston Public School system, where she found great joy in teaching children and touching the lives of her students and their families. No matter where she went, a former student or parent would stop and embrace her. She also worked for many years at “The Edison,” where she formed life-long friendships that she treasured. Her warmth, compassion, and ability to make others feel special left a lasting impression on everyone fortunate enough to work alongside her.

Ann was also a former president of the Xaverian Brothers High School Parents’ Council and a longtime member of the Ladies

Sodality at St. Margaret Mary Church in Westwood. She was involved with both the Boston Elks Lodge #10 in West Roxbury and the Norwood Elks Lodge #1124.

Ann was the matriarch and beloved “Queenie” of her family – the strong, loving presence around whom everyone gathered. Those who knew her will remember her infectious laugh, her bright and beautiful smile, and the way she made everyone feel welcomed and loved. She treasured time spent with her family above all else and filled their lives with laughter, strength, warmth, and countless cherished memories.

Ann’s love and spirit will live on through her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and all those blessed to have known her. The heart of her family, she will be deeply missed and forever held in the hearts of all who loved her.

Funeral from William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., West Roxbury, on Thursday, September 10th at 9:00 a.m. Followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa of Avila Church at 10:00 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Interment Private.

Visiting Hours Wednesday, September 9th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Ann may be made to Compassionate Care ALS,

September 10, 2026

CCALS, P.O. Box 1052, West Falmouth, MA 02574 or www.ccals.org

For guest book please visit www.gormleyfuneral.com

FONSECA



Antoinette “Toni” Fonseca of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away on August 30, 2026. She was 77 years old.

Antoinette was born and raised in Boston and was an avid Boston sports fan. She loved classic TV

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The main problem is that lanternflies leave a sickly residue behind, attracting stinging insects and promoting fungal growth that eventually can kill trees.

tum have been closely monitoring the spotted lanternflies. “We’re looking out for nymphs

Miracle Prayer

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favours. But I plead for this one. (mention favour). Take it, place it in your open broken Heart. And when the eternal Father sees it, covered with the mantle of his most precious Blood, He cannot refuse it. For then it is your prayer, not mine. Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in thee. Amen.

Say three times for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

—R.K.L.

or egg masses in the winter,” explained Arnold Arboretum Horticulturist Ryan Devlin. The adult lanternflies are easy to spot – they are roughly one inch long with bright red back wings and a bright yellow abdomen covered in black stripes. “According to the most current available research, the spotted lanternflies are not detrimental to the health of any of the mature trees at the Arnold Arboretum,” stated Devlin.

“When we work with invasive species, we follow the rules of Integrated Pest Management, or IPM,” explained Mahoney. “A lot of those principles include scouting and preventative action. The Arboretum is installing a new

irrigation system that is going to keep the plants less stressed. We also mulch our plants and prune diseased and decayed wood on our trees.” The arborists also use tree bands, which are physical barrier bands placed around tree trunks to trap and stop crawling insects from reaching the canopy.

What should you do if you see a spotted lanternfly? If possible, take a photo and report it to MDAR here: massnrc.org/pests/slfreport.aspx. Squash and kill the insect – they are harmless to humans, but they can be quick and escape easily.

For more information regarding spotted lanternflies in Massachusetts, visit mass.gov/spotted-lanternfly.

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please join the meeting to share your opinion.
Register at <https://gvimes.link/abpstmtng>
2. Complete the questionnaire mailed by USPS-
Allston residents who received the notification from USPS are encouraged to fill out the attached questionnaire. The mailer should include a pre-paid return envelope. Completing this questionnaire will let USPS know how important a Post Office location in Allston is to our community.
3. Add your name to a letter to USPS - <https://gvimes.link/abpstltnr>
My office has created a template letter urging USPS to honor the promises made to our neighborhood and move forward with reestablishing an Allston Post Office location.
District 9 City Councilor Liz Breadon

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A. Eversource will present updates on their proposed substation, distribution routes, and battery storage (BESS). Some info at: <https://www.eversource.com/residential/about/transmission-distribution/projects/massachusetts-projects/hyde-park-to-dorchester-supply-initiative>
B. Rose & G Restaurant at 630 Hyde Park Ave. (corner of Canterbury St.) will be presenting, as they are seeking a liquor license.

ZERO WASTE DAY DROP-OFF

Bring your household hazardous waste and certain waste banned items to a Zero Waste Day for safe disposal on Saturday, Sept. 26 at 400 Frontage Road, Central DPW Facility, Roxbury, MA 02118
Accepted materials <https://gvimes.link/acptmtrls>
Please note: We only take waste from Boston residents. You need to show us a photo ID, utility bill, or lease as proof of your residency. We will not take any waste from businesses.
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Latex and acrylic paint are NOT hazardous. Just let the paint dry out in the can and put it out on your trash day.
We accept rechargeable batteries such as lithium-ion batteries. We do NOT accept Alkaline Batteries – these are your traditional, non-rechargeable AAA, AA, C, D and 9 volt batteries – they are NOT hazardous. Alkaline batteries will be labeled with “no added mercury” or with a green tree logo. Please place them in your regular trash. Visit our website for more details on what batteries we accept.

RVMSGALA

You are invited to the Roslindale Village Main Street (RVMS) Gala Honoring Glenn & Janice Williams Thursday, October 29, 2026 from 7:00-10:00 p.m.
The Gala will be at The Substation, 4228 Washington St., Roslindale, MA 02131.
The Gala provides vital funding that enables RVMS to support local businesses and create inclusive programming that makes Roslindale Village a vibrant and welcoming destination for all.
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Date: Saturday 09/19/2026 / Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. EDT
Join the WRMS Beautification Committee in cleaning up our Main Street!
Location: Tim White Way – Meet at the Post Office – sign up below or email Lindsay Chase at Director@WRMS.rog
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Gallery Talk / Sept. 10, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library
From the current exhibit “Faces in the Crowd” at Boston’s MFA to the documentary “Finding Vivian Maier,” street photography is a popular subject. Dating back to Henri Cartier-Bresson and his contemporaries to current day photographers, the streets have possessed an interesting subject matter and an array of stories. From Helen Lewitt to Garry Winogrand to Joel Meyerowitz, stories have been conveyed via a single frame. Those are big names but lesser known names are just as good, if not sometimes better. Locally the Boston scene is covered with many photographers: Lou Jones, Jim Dow, Mitch Weiss, and so on. Somewhat lesser know yet brilliant is Robert Richmond. He has left a substantial body of work and this exhibit explores one of his bodies of work: “Women of Boston.”
Possessed of a keen and dry wit, he pursued his passion for black and white street photography for over 30 years.
Richmond focused on the residents of Boston’s North End neighborhood, as well as the city’s downtown area and the infamous Combat Zone. He leaves work that is no less than a social history of this time and place, “unsparing and unusually gritty.”
“Bob was never a heavy shooter. Some days he wouldn’t take a single shot; other days he might take a handful, review them and one by one delete them all. But when Bob saw something he wanted, he was as tenacious as a bloodhound. He’d follow his subjects down alleyways, through the streets, corner them as they slumped against a wall or read the newspaper or passed a bottle or just stood there. Bob would loiter and stalk and shoot with painstaking deliberation. This is why so many of his pictures look as they do; perfectly framed, in sharp focus with the subject staring directly into the camera.”

Deaths *continued from page 8*

and movies, and reading autobiographies about her favorite actors and actresses of that era, especially Humphrey Bogart, Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy. She enjoyed gardening, always making sure her garden had plenty of water, while making sure everyone had plenty of food, as she was a fantastic cook. Chicken parm was her specialty and everyone was a fan. She could often be found wearing one of her fedora hats and she cherished memories driving her Porsche in California. Above all else, Toni was happiest surrounded by family, especially her grandchildren, whom she referred to as her “Angels.”
Antoinette was the loving mother of Douglas “RJ” Daugherty and his wife Bridget of Norwood. Cherished grandmother, “Nani,” of Rory George and Lily Grace. Dear sister of Napoleon “Nappy” Fonseca of Japan, John Fonseca II of Anaheim, CA, and the late Robert “Bobby” Fonseca. Loving cousin of Rosemary and Richard Bruce of Fairhaven. She is also survived by several loving nieces, nephews and cousins.
Visitation and funeral services provided by the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring St. (at the corner of Centre St.), West Roxbury.
The family asks that in lieu of flowers, contributions in Toni’s memory may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.
Interment will be private.

GAVRILIDIS



Sofia (Spanidis) Longtime resident of Roslindale, formerly of Ano Agios Ioannis, Greece, passed away on September 5, 2026. Beloved wife of the late Sofocles Gavrilidis. Devoted mother of Georgia Teloniatis and her husband Arthur of Kaloni, Lesvos, Greece; Nikolaos Gavrielidis and his wife Despina of Norwood; Eleftherios Gavrielidis of Abington; and the late Georgios Gavrielidis and his surviving wife Peristera of Falmouth; and Efrosyne Gavrielidis. Loving Yiayia of Sophia Devaney, Sofocles Gavrielidis, Moriya Demotte, Christopher Gavrielidis, Sofocles Gavrielidis, and Dimitrios Gavrielidis. Loving Great Yiayia of Isabella, Jaxson, Ryleigh, Elizabeth, Eleftherios, Georgios, Nikolaos, Georgios, and Charlie. Sister of Christos Konstantinidis, Elisabet Kalaitzidis, and the late Marina Gianasmidis, Georgios Konstantinidis, and Eirini Konstantinidis. Also survived by

many nieces and nephews.
Our beloved Mama and Yiayia was born in Kuban, Russia to the late Nikolaos and Olga Spanidis and later emigrated to Ano Agios Ioannis, Greece where she married the late Sofocles Gavrielidis before making Roslindale, Massachusetts her home. Widowed at the age of 35, she courageously raised four children through difficult times in Greece, eventually moving with them along with her mother-in-law, the late Efrosyne Gavrielidis, to America for a better life. She loved to dance, enjoy good food, and care for everyone around her while always putting her family first. She was blessed to assist in raising her grandchildren and welcomed many great-grandchildren. A devout parishioner of St. Nectarios Church in Roslindale, she dedicated her time and heart to our Philoptochos chapter and to our entire church community. Her loving presence will be deeply missed, and her memory will forever be cherished by all who knew and loved her.
Visiting hours will be held at

the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St., West Roxbury on Friday, September 11th from 5-8 p.m. A Funeral Service will be held at St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church 39 Belgrade Ave., Roslindale on Saturday, September 12th at 10:30 a.m. Burial at Gardens Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Sofia’s memory to St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 39 Belgrade Ave., Roslindale, MA 02131.

Miracle Prayer

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favours. But I plead for this one. (mention favour). Take it, place it in your open broken Heart. And when the eternal Father sees it, covered with the mantle of his most precious Blood, He cannot refuse it. For then it is your prayer, not mine. Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in thee. Amen.
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—V.C.

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INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of: Joan Marie Polselli
Date of Death: June 04, 2026

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

Petitioner Karen Madruga of Newton, MA

Karen Madruga of Newton, MA

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

DOCKET No. SU26P1490EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Carol A. Vera
Also known as: Carol Ann Vera
Date of Death: 05/16/2026

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Caroline Murtagh of Scituate, 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:

Caroline Murtagh of Scituate, MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 10/07/2026. 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. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 02, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 09/10/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

DOCKET No. SU26P1663EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: David Wellinger
Date of Death: 07/13/2026

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Julie Joy of Honolulu, HI

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Julie Joy of Honolulu, HI

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 09/25/2026. 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.

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WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 28, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

DOCKET No. SU26P1764EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Janina Sniadowka
Date of Death: 07/26/2026

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Anna T. Sullivan of Dorchester, 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:

Anna T. Sullivan of Dorchester, MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 10/09/2026. 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.

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WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 04, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

DOCKET NO. SU26P1740EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Kathleen M. Hines
Date of Death: 07/26/2026

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

C-F David Boit of Brookline, 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:

C-F David Boit of Brookline, MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 10/07/2026. 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.

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WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date : September 01, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

DOCKET No. SU19P2281GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION TO EXPAND THE
POWERS OF A GUARDIAN

RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person

In the Interests of: Thomas Covino of: Boston, MA

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

Brigham & Women’s Faulkner Hospital of Jamaica Plain, MA

in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent.

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 09/21/2026. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to this 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 a written appearance you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 24, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

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istration officials are traveling across Massachusetts on Thursday to highlight the projects and the communities making them possible, with stops in Worcester, Erving, Northampton, Newburyport, Needham and Boston.

“We’re on a mission to build more homes and lower housing costs in every part of Massachusetts, and today we’re hitting the road to show that work in action,” said Governor Maura Healey. “These awards will create more than 2,500 new homes in 20 communities across the state, and it’s made possible by the Affordable Homes Act that I proposed and signed. This is about making sure that Massachusetts is a state where teach-

ers, nurses, firefighters and young people can actually afford to live.”

“Communities of every size are stepping up with smart, creative plans to build the homes their residents need,” said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. “These awards will turn underused properties into housing, modernize housing and preserve homes that residents already depend on. That means stronger neighborhoods, more vibrant local economies and more opportunities for people to stay and build their future in Massachusetts.”

“Housing needs look different across the Commonwealth, and this funding round responds with a wide range of solutions,”

September 10, 2026

said Housing and Livable Communities Secretary Juana Matias. “These investments will deliver more than 2,500 new homes, while preserving existing communities and expanding opportunity for families, seniors, veterans and others.”

The awards include \$154.7 million in subsidy financing from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, \$61.8 million in state low-income housing tax credits, \$47.9 million in 4 percent federal low-income housing tax credits and \$13.2 million in 9 percent federal low-income housing tax credits. The state and federal tax credit awards are expected to generate nearly \$500 million in equity for the developments.

For the full release and a list of funded projects, go to <https://gvimes.link/strlsehms>

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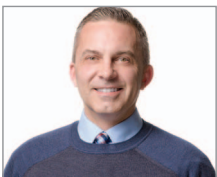
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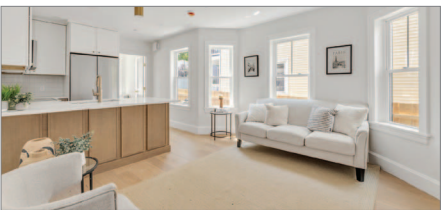
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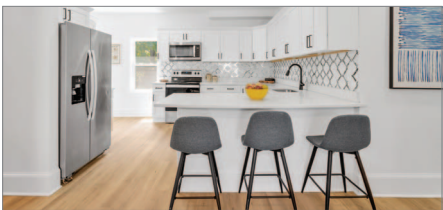
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