



Forecasted rain doesn't deliver, Corrib 5K does

More than 1,500 runners descend on WR on Sunday



Thousands came out for the 32nd annual Corrib 5K Road Race in West Roxbury.

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Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Author's Note: The author took part in the race. It should be noted that his time and placement should indicate that no favor was given from the race or The Bulletin.

While the weather forecasts had been predicting rain all week for the 32nd annual Corrib Charitable Trust 5K Road Race in West Roxbury, the sun shone high and dry on Sunday to the delight of thousands.

Organizer, Corrib Charitable Trust Board President and Corrib Restaurant owner Tony Bligh said while there were a lot of problems – the construction at Billings Field left the race's usual party area unavailable and the weather forecast all week was

predicting thunderstorms that ended up coming well after the race – everything came together.

"We're really happy with everything and how the day went," he said. "Considering the circumstances, it was a huge, huge win. I'm really proud of my fellow board members. They worked their tails off. I'm also really thankful that everybody, all of my neighbors – I'm just so happy I'm in such a great neighborhood – everybody tried to help."

Bligh said when it became apparent that Billings Field was out – which has been the main staging area and post race celebration spot for the race since its inception 32 years ago – it seemed like everybody in town was willing to donate their space.

"First and foremost, (Parkway Y Executive Director) Kevin

Flynn and (Parkway Y Non-profit Manager) Marion Kelly, if it wasn't for their kindness, the race would never have happened," he said. "But all my neighbors – from Sean Spellman at Roxbury Latin, Richie and Mike Gormley, to Blanchard's, the Anderson family across the street, the folks at Roslindale Pediatrics, Eddie Doherty, the Kelly's, Bruce and Mark at B&M Automotive, and Father John at St. Theresa's, they all offered their lots. And the folks at Sturges Road, they said, 'Shut our street, have the party here!' They're great people, and it's just humbling what a great neighborhood it is here. Always trying to help people."

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu
Corrib

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West Roxbury raised its own Pride flag this weekend at the local Boston Public Library branch.

PHOTO BY SUSAN KRYCZKA

Flag-raising kicks off Pride Month in West Roxbury

Tradition sparked in WR

Susan Kryczka
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Boston Public Library's (BPL) Pride Month flag-raising, hosted by District 6 City Councilor Ben Weber, drew about 75 people, including many families with children, to the library lawn late Friday afternoon, June 5. Attendees reconnected with neighbors and met new friends during the celebration. This was the second year of the event in West Roxbury. Weber's office provided refreshments, treats, and a rainbow-colored cake.

Weber explained that the idea originated with a West Roxbury resident, Michael Fagone, who wanted to celebrate Pride Month.

"We hadn't (my office) arranged for a Pride flag raising before. We looked around for a place to do it, and the library was a great location. They, the Boston Public Library (BPL), really stepped up and they offered the space. And so, we figured, why not. Let's do this again."

Joining in welcoming attendees was State Rep. Bill MacGregor.

"Councilor Weber puts this together every year. We are both allies, and I'm just glad he brought it to West Roxbury for all of us. So, I hope everyone's having a happy Pride Month," he said

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Despite opposition, Rogerson housing gets ZBA approval

Unanimous ZBA vote

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

In the face of almost unprecedented neighborhood opposition, Rogerson Communities received unanimous zoning board approval on June 2 for its 4-5-6 story building for 41 units of senior housing, 61 memory care suites, and a social day care.

Rogerson consultant Dot Joyce told the board that the new building was "significantly changed to meet the desires of the community."

That was an understatement: the senior supportive one bedroom apartments – all at 60 percent area median income (AMI) – were reduced from the original 71 to 41, a loss of 31 units.

Moreover the building was completely redesigned by Phillip Saad of Dimella Shaefer architects between February and November 2025.

The 45 percent reduction was also significant because no ob-

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A-B Chamber hosts third annual dinner

Biz and scholars celebrated

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Businesses from all over District 9 came out to the Allston Brighton Chamber of Commerce third Annual Dinner to celebrate the neighborhood.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

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Staff Reporter

Allston and Brighton have a reputation, and while District 9's burgeoning art scene is a positive part of it, not all of the neighborhoods' stereotypes are positive.

"Nobody lives there for more than four years," "No families live there," "All the venues are closing or shrinking," "The colleges are taking over," and the ever-popular, "The rats are getting bigger every year and I think they're learning to paint graffiti."

Not all those reputations are deserved, however. Between all the artists who stay in town, the core of families who do grow up here, and those who have lived their entire lives in the neighborhood, Allston-Brighton has a core of dedicated residents, both renters and homeowners, who are politically active and dedicated to keeping the community vibrant and thriving.

And a big part of that community was on display on Monday at the third annual Allston-Brighton Chamber of Commerce.

Longtime residents may not know that the Chamber was formed three years ago when the Brighton Board of Trade and the Allston Board of Trade – long fiercely independent organizations – decided to combine their powers and form the Chamber.

"Strength in numbers," said member Tony D'Isidoro. "A decision was made a number of years ago that there was strength in numbers, and so they merged."

"They have a combined his-

tory of something like 150 years," said Chamber President and Harvard Ed Portal Assistant Director Ben Franco. "So this event really has been happening over 50 years now, albeit under a different name."

Franco, who was also emceeing the annual dinner, said the idea was to highlight local businesses doing their part, distribute funds where they could, and award scholarships to the youth in Allston-Brighton. He said the crowd of about 100 was a testament to the work they'd been doing.

"We're super happy with the attendance, and that it brought the Allston and Brighton communities together," he said.

During the night, Franco awarded six Allston and Brighton youths with \$1,000 scholarships a piece. The first three scholarships were named to honor local residents who contributed mightily to District 9. Adetoke Adeyeye won the Bill Margolin Scholarship. Bill worked with the West End House for more than 50 years supporting the community and youth. Franco said Bill was a friend to many in the room, and unfortunately passed last year.

Valina Jean Louis won the Max Lefkowitz scholarship, and Franco described Lefkowitz as a lifetime advocate for the community, working with Brighton High School Students and contributing to businesses through the Allston Board of Trade.

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The location of the new building will use the same entrance drive as the current Rogerson House.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

jections were raised by the Jamaica Plain Housing Committee (JPHC) and the received approval from the JP Neighborhood Council (JPNC) without debate over the housing loss.

At the April 15 Jamaica Plain Zoning Committee (JPZC) Alcurtis Clark did hint at some concern when she asked the reason for the reduction in units down to 41. Saad replied it was the result of "many, many, many conversations over density and height that were requested by the community."

Clark voted no anyway because the building was too tall.

The Boston Planning Department posted 111 pages of comments on the project page – most very long; one was 15 pages signed by 24 residents.

There were 100 in opposition and 41 in support.

Even before the first community meeting held in person on Sept. 11, 2024, just after the letter of intent was filed on Aug. 7, State Sen. Senator Mike Rush weighed in on Aug. 19, "to address concerns of my constituents.. neighbors [who are] concerned that there may be a negative impact as a result of additional developments."

This was the last appearance of Rush over the 18 months of drama which confounded the Rogerson staff as they planned to add state-of-the-art memory care suites and low-income senior apartments in a new building on their own property; even a lawsuit was threatened.

Jeff Campbell of Lakeville Road demanded the JPZC deny the variances on April 15.

"Rogerson doesn't belong here in the first place. No place for it in our neighborhood," he told the committee. "Rogerson is already a bad neighbor. They

ruin the neighborhood. They're out to destroy our neighborhood."

There were the usual BUTs in the comment pages: Fred Vetterlein of Union Ave and Sarah Freeman who lives on the Arborway were both sympathetic of senior supportive housing but opposed the height, density and design.

Molly Harper wrote a five-page comment titled: "Of Concern about Rogerson Communities."

"I deeply appreciate Rogerson's commitment to increasing housing," she wrote, "but we call for thoughtful revision in height and overall design. We can do better."

A three-page letterwriter was worried about "skydome obstruction" and "wind impacts."

Another letter called the new Rogerson building "a plan to raze an Emerald Necklace icon and replace it with a seven-story industrial complex."

Recently voted-in JPNC member Erin Ashley Baily of Evergreen Street does not seem to follow JP current affairs: "I never heard anything about this project," she wrote.

One unusual opponent was Frank Schillace of Lochstead Road, who criticized the project as "too big... and will ruin the neighborhood."

As reported by The Bulletin,

Schillace proposes to build a five-story, 48-unit apartment house at 406 South Huntington behind the Connolly branch library.

Sally Zimmerman of Beaufort Road was a frequent opponent of this and other projects, and doesn't appear to give up. She came on the ZBA call to object.

"On behalf of my neighbors on Beaufort Road, we ask to oppose the variances of height and parking. Modest, modest changes can further reduce the height and increase parking and would greatly enhance the character of the neighborhood," she said.

ZBA chair Sherry Dong asked if Rogerson had a response, and Jeremy Viera director of development did.

"We significantly reduced the height and the unit count; we worked hard with the community to do all we can possibly do," he said

The level and intensity of opposition did not seem to bother the ZBA, which voted unanimously to approve Rogerson's new building.

Board member Giovanni Valencia had one question: "Was the reduction of units the result of the community process or financing?" he asked.

"The community process," Viera said.



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City celebrates affordable housing in Rozzie

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Preservation scheme awarded

The City of Boston and Arx/Urban celebrated the latter's acquisition of 43 units of housing at 4236 Washington St. in Roslindale, now known as Parkside on Adams, for affordable housing.

The site, which also houses the Roslindale Village Main Street (RVMS) Office, will have rents capped based on income limits, with 22 apartments at 60 percent area median income (AMI) and 21 apartments capped at 80 percent AMI. As part of the acquisition, which was done through the City's Acquisition Opportunity Program (AOP), no current resident at the site will be displaced, and rent increases will be capped at 2 percent per year.

The AOP is a fund that lends out to affordable housing developers and is partially funded itself by investment through the Boston Acquisition Fund (BAF) and is administered by the Massachusetts Housing Investment Corporation. Arx Urban used the AOP to acquire the site from its former owners and therefore keep the building affordable.

The BAF serves as a public-private revolving loan fund that acts as investment platform for businesses and nonprofits to contribute and keep the AOP going, and the city says it's making progress. Earlier in May, the AOP won the Ivory Prize for Housing Affordability in the Finance category from



Officials and advocates met last week to celebrate making more permanent affordable housing in Roslindale Square.

Ivory Innovations. The national award, according to Boston Chief of Housing Sheilla Dillon, is both a recognition and an advertisement.

"All the funders here today are recognizing that what they invested in has international recognition, and we hope that these funders will continue to invest in the fund and it will help attract new funders," she said.

The acquisition of Parkside on Adams – which was originally built to help fund the renovation of the Roslindale Substation – will keep the units there affordable in perpetuity. Dillon said that was the bigger accomplishment, at least for

those currently living in the building.

"And we're celebrating the acquisition of Parkside on Adams, which was 43 units that were on the market and the tenants were at risk," she said. "It's a beautiful location in Roslindale. And so there was a tenants meeting last night to meet the new owner, and the tenants came out and they were very relieved. The prize is very important, but I think people being able to stay in their homes is the most important."

Boston Mayor's Office of Housing Associate Director Adam Goldstein said the deal came about because Arx Urban had known for a while that the

former owner wanted to sell, and when the prospect looked right, the company came to the Housing Office to facilitate the deal.

"And then from the first time we heard about it, it was 90 or 120 days until we closed," he said.

Arx Urban Principal Benjie Moll said in a press release that

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Arx Urban is looking forward to managing the building.

"This approach allows current residents to remain in their homes with greater long-term stability, helps maintain the economic diversity of the neighborhood, and creates future opportunities for lower- and moderate-income families in a location that is becoming increasingly difficult for working families to afford," he stated. "We are grateful to be part of a smart, cost-effective model for expanding housing affordability across Boston."

The project also includes planned capital improvements, including roof upgrades and the installation of a solar array to improve the building's long-term sustainability and energy efficiency.

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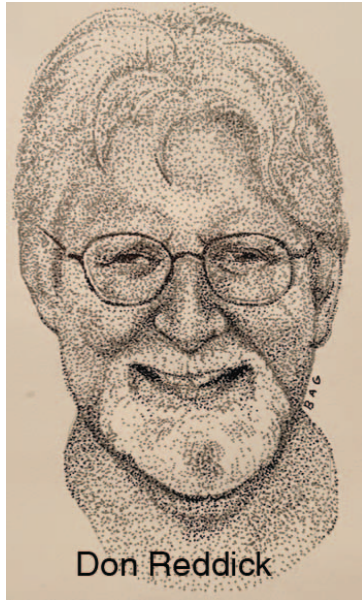
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I wondered why the musical "British Invasion" of the 1960s was pivotal in American culture, until I watched uniformed school children walk in orderly fashion out of a local elementary school. All dressed the same, all obeying the same instruction, all taught the same lessons. All subjected to discipline that valued conformity over creativity, conventionality over individuality, essentially oppression over expression.

"It gets back to the fact that writing is utterly personal, utterly private," John Steinbeck wrote. "The ideal life for a writer is for his work to be celebrated and for himself to be unknown. Writers thrive on privacy, many even on loneliness and despair. It's the writer's condition. Today, with television, you see writers who go out and get interviewed before millions of people just to sell their books. Some of them are even becoming celebrities. I find the whole business ridiculous."

"Writers should work alone," Ernest Hemingway agreed. "They should see each other only after their work is done, and not too often then. Otherwise, they become like writers in New York. All angleworms in a bottle, trying to derive knowledge and nourishment from their own contact and from the bottle. Sometimes the bottle is shaped art, sometimes economics. But once they are in the bottle they stay there."

There are costs involved, besides considerable conference fees. There will be flights, hotels, and meals. One should anticipate book and souvenir purchases, as well as



Don Reddick

the occasional, or sometimes frequent, adult beverage.

"I dislike literary discussions about anything," Sinclair Lewis wrote. "I dislike the habit of some literary men who want to talk book stuff. The really literary species do not talk about books; they are too busy writing them."

Hints of an approaching mid-century literary revolution came when Robert Frost complained that writing free verse was like playing tennis with the net down, or when Truman Capote commented on Jack Kerouac's style, "that's not writing, that's typing." Hint came in the 1953 movie *The Wild One*, when Marlon Brando, in response to, "What are you rebelling against?" famously replied, "Whaddaya got?"

In an interview, Howard Stern said, "There's something they say about driving a car, I was just learning this over the weekend that it turns off the left side of your brain, so driving seems to be just something that frees you creatively, yeah?" To which Willie Nelson replied, "If I really need and want to write a song today, I'll get in the car and take off driving down the highway in any direction, and I'll write a song."

Despite TV's obvious new marketing strength, Steinbeck resisted. "Does it make them better writers? Worse writers?"

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HP's Squares+Streets closeout meeting date set

Zoning map to be released the day before



A view of Central Avenue heading towards Webster Street. The area is slated for S+S rezoning.

PHOTO BY MATT MACDONALD

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) met last Thursday June 4. Earlier that day, the Boston Planning Department had given official notice that a community meeting to present its updated Squares + Streets (S+S) zoning map and plan for Cleary Square would be held on Wednesday, June 17 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Hyde Park Municipal Building (1179 River St.).

The initial draft plan and map for Cleary Square was released for public comment on March 17.

Since then, there have been two Planning Board public meetings in which most participating residents expressed profound dissatisfaction with the map's proposed seven-story zones (especially for the block of River Street between Hyde Park Avenue and Harvard Avenue) and the spread of the

S+S zoning districts into the residential areas surrounding the business district.

At the heart of the S+S initiative is the rezoning of neighborhood business districts to allow for greatly increased residential development – while also allowing for a reduction in commercial footprints. Hyde Park's Cleary Square and Roslindale Square were the first two areas selected for S+S by City Hall, and their planning processes kicked off in February 2024.

Roslindale Square's S+S zoning map was adopted by the Boston Zoning Commission last May. Among the districts, the one around Adams Park allows for up to seven stories (from three). Another, at Roslindale Village commuter station, allows for up to 145 feet (about 12 stories).

A property owner is permitted to build to the scale, height, and use of that site's zoning code as of right. As an example, if a developer were

to adhere to the guidelines of a seven-story S+S zoning district, the community would have much less binding leverage in the matter because there would be no violations requiring any variances from the Zoning Board of Appeal.

That is the basic idea of S+S zoning: to ease building restrictions to encourage more housing.

S+S rezoning for Cleary Square has proceeded at a slower pace because – for the last two-and-a-half years – Hyde Park community groups have raised concerns about the negative impacts of the largely untested S+S zoning districts; they include residential and business displacement, affordability; traffic congestion, parking problems (there are no parking minimums), inadequate public transportation for what is being proposed, and a lack of tree canopy protection.

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Bellevue Hill Improvement Association meeting June 23

Officials coming to speak with residents

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Daddy and Me

Family Fun Day hits in HP

Fifth such event a success



More than 200 residents, officials and organizers came out for the fifth annual Daddy and Me Family Fun Day at the Martini Shell in Hyde Park.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The fifth annual Daddy and Me Family Fun Day went off without a hitch on Saturday, with even the weather giving a bit of a reprieve.

While the forecast said originally there were going to be heat advisories, clouds kept the sun from getting too hot as families came down to the Martini Shell in Hyde Park to have fun and learn.

Organizer Sahirah Muhammad said the Daddy and Me literacy program was first started by her brother, Marzuq Muhammad, back in 2018 as a monthly book club to help promote literacy and education.

“Shortly after, he passed away,” she said. “But the dads wanted to keep it going. So we’ve since formalized and become a 501(c)3 nonprofit, and we started doing the Family Fun Day in 2021 as a part of his legacy. Just a way for the community to come out, engage in activities and have a great time in a safe enriching environment.”

Sahirah Muhammad said they had more than 50 partner organizations and vendors at the Martini Shell Park, along with entertainers and live music throughout the day.

“We have face painting, a local nail salon doing free express mani’s for the kids, we have local barber shops doing haircuts, we have Imani Massage doing massage for the moms and dads, and

more. We have New England Audio and Sound doing the sound for the event, and the Phi Sci Omega Fraternity is hosting our literacy tent, where we have guest authors come in and donate books to the kids to help them build their home libraries,” she said. “So the community support has been overwhelming and we really appreciate it.”

“Every year we’re stressed about the rain, and this year the weather is just perfect,” she said. “We just want folks to come out and have a great time and the kids to come get their faces painted, get free books, make their own

Dad

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Resident Mark Cohen, right, holds the flag before it is raised.

PHOTO BY SUSAN KRYCZKA

encouraging people to enjoy the refreshments.

Also present was Boston City Council President; City Councilor, District 9 Liz Breadon, the first openly LGBTQ+ woman to serve as Boston City Council President, and the first Council President to represent Allston-Brighton. Breadon explained her conversation with Weber about the flag raising.

“I was talking to him last night and he said there was a flag raising in West Roxbury and he told me a little bit of the story. And I said, you know, I think I should come over.” Breadon spoke about the meaning of community. “I think in this moment it’s very important to celebrate and celebrate our unity and also find joy.” She said she was also grateful to Weber for letting her know about the event. “I really appreciate you all being here. Ben Weber is a mensch. He’s got a big heart. He’s a hard worker, and he’s just a great colleague on the City Council and you’re very lucky to have this guy here.”

City Councilor, At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune brought a brief serious tone to the occasion. “So many of us are under attack right now. It’s important for us to remember to gather in all the places.” Pointing to the flag she said, “This is a beautiful flag. So, happy Pride. Pride was a riot. We continue to fight for justice for all of our communities.”

Referring to the annual Pride march in downtown Boston scheduled for June 6, she said, “If anyone is going to the parade tomorrow, I’ll see you there. If anybody wants to walk with Team Ruthzee in the parade tomorrow, join us at 10 o’clock in the morning.” Breadon and MacGregor raised the American flag and the multicolored Pride flag below it, up the pole to applause.

Those who came out to celebrate and reconnect with the community were pleased to be there.

“We wanted to come out and support Pride in the neighborhood. We’re just so pleased that Ben’s office helped organize this. And it’s a chance to see friends and neighbors and be part of our community,” said Mark Engelter.

Another neighbor, Jonathan, who could not attend the 2025 flag raising, made it a point to come out to this one.

“We wanted to make sure at least we were coming in its second year to help support it, a great initiative ... we found the dates for it and decided it would be a fun activity to join.”

As the cake was distributed and children played on the lawn on a perfect summer day, Pride Month was officially launched in West Roxbury.



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stopped by to give remarks before the race took off. She said the race was definitely a celebration, but she – and other officiants at the race – took time to remember those who were not able to make it this year.

“Thank you to every one who is here to show off our pride in West Roxbury, especially the kids and friends who are here,” she said. “It took a lot of work from the team and our departments to make this go right. And the reason that this race is so important to our departments is that this is the home of so many of our city workers. So many of those who are public servants live their lives here. And we’re also here to remember those who not only gave their careers to public service, but sacrificed their lives as well.”

Wu referred to a number of public servants who recently passed away, including Boston Police Officer Bruce Higgins, Boston Firefighter Bill Carey, Boston EMS Superintendent-in-Chief John Gill and, most recently, Boston Firefighter Bob Kilduff Jr.

Bill Carey’s family were the race starters for this year’s Corrib.

“We want to honor all those who loved Billy Carey, to the Kilduff family, the Higgins family and the Gill family, thank you everyone,” she said. “We are thinking of you, still praying and we celebrate that folks are living out your legacies in this great city.”

Race organizer and Corrib Pub owner Tony Bligh said he

was happy to see everyone at the race.

“We hope you all have a great race, and I’d like to say happy birthday to my mom and dad, get that out there,” he said. “Thank you very much!”

Emcee Tommy Doherty led the remembrances for the race, who included those listed above, but also first responders, and active military and veterans in the community.

“We have lost some legends and friends over the last few months who have helped us for many many years,” he said. “First Bobby ‘BK’ Kilduff, who lost his life tragically a couple of weeks ago saving our lives. He was a volunteer and a great friend to the road race. Also a great friend and community leader, a decorated firefighter, an advocate in fighting cancer, a hell of musician who passed away, Billy Carey.”

Doherty said Gill also volunteered at the race as well as Higgins. He said other longtime volunteers who had passed this year included Greg Haugh, Michael Kenney, Bill Enright, Jimmy Schindler, Leo Kenney, and John R. Sullivan.

Residents Singleton John and Steven Chilton said this wasn’t the first time they’d been to the Corrib Road Race, and John even said he’s been keeping count of all his road races since he started, presumably, a long time ago.

“This is my one-thousandth-six-hundred-and-sixty-sixth road race,” John said. “And he’s run three marathons this year alone!”

John said though he’s run many races, not many are like the

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Corrib.

“The Corrib is a great race. I mean it’s challenging! I mean mile 2 and mile 3, I start thinking this was a bad idea,” he said.

“But it’s a great party afterwards,” said Chilton.

“Yeah a great party and it’s just well run,” said John. “Just an excellent organization.”

Residents Shauna Furey and Gillian O’Leary said this was their first time at the Corrib. They said a mutual friend’s husband used to volunteer for the race and passed, and so they wanted to run it in memory of him and to support her.

“We’re just here hanging out and memorializing our friend and having a good time,” said O’Leary.

Furey said she was actually disappointed it wasn’t raining.

“I like running in the rain, so I’m a little bit disappointed,” she said.

Resident Max Riley said he was looking forward to the race as he was captain of his school’s cross-country track team in high school, but had not done this race before.

“I’m a member of the thirsty Irish runners, which is a group out of Dedham, and we run a bunch of races,” he said. “I am excited to try the Corrib, oh yeah. There are a lot of races that are my first, but that will only go down as I get older!”

A Sort of Homecoming, a local U2 tribute band, serenaded runners and fans after the race at the Parkway Y parking lot. Kennedy’s Kitchen provided free hot dogs and burgers, while the Beer Garden provided some lubrication for all the sore joints runners stressed out going up Bellevue Hill. The atmosphere of accomplishment and community permeated the grounds to close out the 32nd annual Corrib Road Race. And, at Billings Field, construction continued, and is looking to be wrapped up at the end of the summer – <https://gvimes.link/billings>

For more information on the Corrib Charitable Trust, which provides funding for youth programs in the Parkway and beyond, go to <https://gvimes.link/corribchar>

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.

—C.K.

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Saxophonist Tim Hall serenaded the crowd with his compositions and stories.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Father’s Day gifts, and more.”

The Muhammad family was all around the event on Saturday, with Sahira’s dad Alief running the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) tent, where he provided age-appropriate activities, like Lego, just a little bit across from one of the bouncy houses, presumably because gravity calculations are a big part of STEM and physics.

“Once a year we have folks come out here with your white handkerchief for some peace, harmony and maybe a bit of fun,” he said. “We want everybody to have fun.”

Alif Muhammad said his booth was just an extension of his former job.

“I’m a retired math teacher and my daughter is a civil engineer,” he said. “I taught in the Boston Public Schools and that’s how I got here. The kids here love this, but it’s the parents I got to work on!”

Vendors from businesses across Hyde Park dotted the landscape, as well as representatives from city services like the Boston Water and Sewer Commission and the Boston Fire Department, the latter of which allowed children to work the fire hoses and tour an engine.

Resident Nathaniel Nelson said he came by because he wanted to give his daughter something fun to do.

“I saw this last year and I thought it was pretty cool, and I hoped my daughter would like it,” he said. “If she’s having fun, I’m having fun. That’s all that matters!”

Resident Jasmine Brown said she and her son were also enjoying the day.

“This is my first time and we’re having fun,” she said.

For more information on Daddy and Me, go to <https://www.daddyandmeboston.com>

West Roxbury Pkwy. Bridge Update

More work on the way

This document provides a brief overview of construction operations and impacts for the West Roxbury Parkway Bridge Replacement over the next two weeks. We will also send dedicated notices for high-impact work. Weather and unexpected circumstances make all construction subject to change, but we will do our best to keep you updated.

Travel Impacts

Over the next two weeks, drivers should expect lane narrowing and shifting on the bridge, on West Roxbury Parkway, and at the Belgrade Avenue intersection, as needed. As work impacts sidewalk access, a detour redirecting pedestrians will be in place.

Operations

Over the next two weeks, the Contractor will be working daytime hours (7 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and nighttime hours (9 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.) within the work zone on the roadway. Work will take place Monday through Friday. Day-

time activities may include:

Formwork and concrete placement

Dowel and rebar placement

Nighttime work will take place Monday, June 8 and one other night over the next two weeks if needed. Nighttime activities may include:

Rebar placement

Formwork and concrete placement

Overall Project Status

The Contractor is performing civil work below the bridge.

Travel Tips

Please take care to pay attention to all signage as it is posted. Police details, changes in lane markings, temporary controls such as barriers and traffic cones, signage, and other tools may be used throughout the project to control traffic and create safe work zones within the project limits.

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The Chamber announced more than \$10,000 in donations to local businesses and about \$6,000 in scholarships to local students.

Residents Effie Bourke, Shane Lundrigan and Jurnee Dooley each won \$1,000 also, along with Chris Stephenson, who came to the event with his family for his award of the Allston-Brighton Community of Commerce for Education. He said he will be using the funds for materials in his senior year at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY for his degree in mechanical engineering.

"It feels pretty great, \$1,000 is definitely going to make a mark in my education," he said. "Not so much in tuition, but in school supplies. Those have really racked up a pretty penny over the years."

Chris' brother Anthony came out to support his brother, too.

"I'm very appreciative that he has gotten this scholarship and I'm very happy about it," he said.

The night also featured many small business awards, which many say are a vital component of what makes the district so appealing. D'Isidoro also pointed to the business community's recent accolades in The Boston Globe's regional Best of Boston, which includes businesses all over the Greater Boston Metro area - <https://gvimes.link/globelist>

"We had a lot in different categories, and with the challenges

that small businesses are facing, we seem to be holding our own," he said.

"We have a lot of great stuff here in Allston and Brighton," said Charlesview Executive Director Jo-Ann Barbour, who added that she came out to support one of the organization's residents who won one of the scholarships.

Franco also presented all the business awards of the night. He said this year's Community Contributor of the Year - an award honoring a business that has gone "above and beyond" in service to Allston and Brighton - was awarded to Brighton's own "Road to the Right Track". The Charles River Speedway won the Member Business of the Year Award; New Balance Development Group won the President's Award; and Ann Faldeta was awarded the Chamber's Lifetime Achievement Award.

Business is business, but Allston and Brighton are known as hubs of art and creative spirit, both in the city and beyond.

Friends of Herter Park Executive Director DJ Talbot and Board Member Joy Arcolano said the group is getting ready to celebrate its tenth year next year, along with its growing to the point where it is starting to have permanent staff to help host its

events along the Charles River. This 501-(c)(3) group's goal is to enhance community spaces within Herter Park and promote them as cultural and recreational resources for the wellbeing of all.

"This is our community," Talbot said. "This is all the businesses that support us and rely on us. We bring people to us and they bring people to us."

Arcolano said she was a past president, now working as a Board member, and that before the Friends came along there were some performances. She performed several Shakespeare in the Park productions for instance - but with the Friends of Herter Park, the offerings have increased exponentially.

"I have performed there. My family and I settled in Watertown. And now my family has helped me set up for the Brown Box Theater Company. My family is also helping with the A Capella Fest and the huge blues and jazz festival, which just started as Thursday Night Jazz back in 2017 and is now the Charles River Jazz Festival."

Arcolano added the arts and culture of Allston and Brighton were a big factor in her and her family staying around the neighborhood.

For more information on the Chamber, go to <https://www.ab-coc.org>

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Lone Wordsmith

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No, it has nothing to do with being writers. Except that by exposing their real selves to public scrutiny before that unforgiving camera eye, they run the risk of no longer being taken seriously. Take someone like Norman Mailer. The guy had a promising career as an important writer. Now he's no longer a writer, but a performer with a pen. Sure, television has revolutionized our life here. But there's no way television can be compatible with what writing is all about...writers are by their very nature private people, in many cases lonely, frightened, insecure, incapable of relating comfortably to other people. The entire act of writing is private and solitary...I am a private person. Almost every good writer I know is."

Though those quoted here are iconic, their words are dated, today's literary landscape vastly altered from The Grapes of Wrath and For Whom the Bell Tolls era, the time when Arrowsmith was read, and not merely listened to. But Thomas Jefferson, himself known for a bit of writing, understood: "A little rebellion now and then is a good thing."

I make flight and hotel reservations, reserve a car. I pack credit cards and a change of clothing and am off to my writers conference. I will drive approximately 900 miles over the next four days through an appealing location. I will think about plotting, characterization, and irony regarding work literally at hand. I will mutter to myself. I will ponder the literary world's metamorphosis into audio books, e-commerce, and platforms. I will argue with myself and often win. I will lower my window, strain

to hear advice in the wind and hopefully return refreshed, my words disorderly and stripped of uniforms, new songs hummed by foreign invaders. Call me crazy, but I'm on the road again.

"I tried to write this book the way lives are being lived," Steinbeck said of his greatest achievement, "not the way books are written." To those who may question my choice of conference and ask, what are you rebelling against? I would reply:

"Whaddaya got?"

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Docket No. SU26P11 09EA

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To all interested persons:
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requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve 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 07/21/2026.

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Patricia Ann (Bulens), of Roslindale, MA, passed away on May 31, 2026, surrounded by family. Loving mother of Richard Bertucci of Roslindale, Peter Bertucci of Marston Mills, and David and his late wife Maurica "Shelly" Bertucci of Roslindale. Devoted grandmother of Jessica, Peter, Michael, Robert, David, Jr., and Derek Bertucci.

Patricia was a retired Registered Nurse for the Boston Public Schools, was involved in Ethos of West Roxbury and was also a Reverend at the Canton Spiritualist Church. Visitation services provided by the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA. 02132, from 1-4pm, immediately followed by a Funeral Home Service from 4-5 p.m. For guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com.

ing Hours will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2026 at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA. 02132, from 1-4pm, immediately followed by a Funeral Home Service from 4-5 p.m. For guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com.

CARSON



Stephen Carson of West Roxbury passed away on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at his home, surrounded by his loving family. He was 74 years old. Born in Boston, Stephen was in-

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credibly generous with his time, his love, and his support. He proudly served his country as a Specialist 4 in the United States Army in Germany from 1971-1973. He was an avid golfer and he loved to travel, highlighting Hawaii and Antigua as couple of his favorite destinations. He loved all of the Boston sports teams and enjoyed music, especially Elvis.

Stephen worked for Midas International LLC for over 37 years, retiring as a vice president. He was particularly fond of elephants, amassing a collection of small statues, photos and T-shirts. Above all else, Stephen was a proud parent and grandfather and was happiest spending time with his family.

Stephen was the dear and devoted husband of Carol (Coffey) Carson. Loving father of Patty Carson-Sasso and their wife Vanessa of Plymouth, Elisabeth Sparrow and her fiancé Ray Santos of West Roxbury, and Stephen D. Carson and his fiancée Maggie Leoffler of West Roxbury. Cherished grandfather, "Papa," of Rylan Sparrow, Colin Sparrow, Audrey Sparrow and Jack Carson. Dear brother of Patricia Donovan of Maine, Donna Lynch of Melrose, Edward Carson of Weymouth, Thomas Carson of Bridgewater and the late Roy Carson, Kenneth Carson, Richard Carson, Jack Carson and Ellen Cousley. Dear brother-in-law of Diane Sackos of California, Claire Coffey of Tennessee, Joanne Coon of Plymouth, and Dennis Coffey of Plymouth. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation services provided by the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home 8 Spring St. (at the corner of Centre St.) West Roxbury.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Stephen's memory may be made to the Disabled American Veterans at www.dav.org.

Interment will be private.

CORBETT



James F. (Jim) of Roslindale, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away on June 3, 2026. Beloved husband of Bernadette A. (O'Brien) Corbett. Loving father of Bernadette C. Waystack and her husband Richard of Harwich Port, James C. Corbett and his wife Sharyn of Norwood, Brian W. Corbett and his partner Noelle Ho of Dorchester, Andrew C. Corbett and his wife Brenda of Saratoga Springs, NY, and Matthew Corbett of Verona, New Jersey. Dear brother of Joseph Rajunas, and the late Bernadette Meleedy. Cherished Grandfather to Christopher Waystack, Kateri Seeley, Genevieve Morrison, Caroline Sizer, Sean Corbett, Chase Corbett, Ryan Leggett, and Rebecca Corbett. Adoring Great Grandfather to 8 great grandchildren.

Jim served with honor in the United States Marine Corps in Korea and was a dedicated civil servant as a career Letter Carrier for the United States Postal Service. He was also founder of the Forest Hills Youth Hockey League and a loyal and long-time Member and Past Exalted Ruler of the Elks Lodge, BPOE 10.

Visitation services provided by the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St John Chrysostom Church, 4750 Washington St., West Roxbury. Interment Forest Hills Cemetery.

DEARBORN



Richard F. "Buddy" Dearborn of Dedham formerly of West Roxbury passed away on May 31, 2026. He was 83 years old.

Buddy was the proprietor of Global Automotive in Roslindale since 1978. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing and was an avid hunter. He loved to golf, and if you missed a tee time with him, you weren't invited back. He could be a man of few words, but when he spoke, people listened. An avid fan of Boston sports, Buddy was incredibly loyal and everything he did, he did it 100%.

He was a perfectionist who made sure he always had the nicest lawn in the neighborhood. Buddy was an incredibly hard worker and knew how to fix anything. He enjoyed music and cars, especially his Corvette. Buddy was incredibly proud of his children and above all else, he enjoyed spending time with his family, for whom he was the ultimate provider.

Buddy was the dear and devoted husband of Linda (Yahoub) Dearborn. Loving father of Karryn Lewis and her husband Brian of Mashpee, Richard Dearborn and his wife Pam of Arizona, Kim Dearborn and her significant other James Miskel of Taunton, and Keith Dearborn and his significant other Yohanna Sangiovanni. Cherished grandfather, "Pop Pop," of Joseph "Bud" Dearborn and Jack Dearborn. Dear brother of the late Robert Dearborn. Loving brother-in-law of Nancy Wildes, Thomas and Debbie Yahoub, Margie and Bill Alley, Carol Yahoub, Ernest Yahoub, James Makhoulouf, and the late Daniel Makhoulouf Yahoub. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews and will be deeply missed by Lucy and Leto Lewis and Isiah and Isabelle Sangiovanni.

Funeral Prayers were said for Buddy at the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring St. in West Roxbury. Visitation services also provided by Kfoury Keefe. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Buddy's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105 (www.stjude.org).

MARTELL



Julie A. (Carr). Of Kingston, formerly of West Roxbury passed away

peacefully on June 6, 2026, surrounded by her loving family and dear friends after a brief illness. She was the cherished daughter of the late Lois A. (Carty) and Paul J. Carr, Sr.

Julie was born in Boston and grew up on Tennyson Street in West Roxbury, where she made many life-long friends. She attended St. Thresa of Avila School and was a graduate of St. Clare's in Roslindale. She and her family were dedicated parishioners at St. Theresa of Avila Church, where she made all her sacraments and where her faith journey began.

In 1981 while working at Capital Supermarket on Centre Street she met the love of her life, Joseph Martell they later married at St. Joseph Church in Kingston and shared 44 years of marriage. It was Kingston where they decided to settle and raise their three children. Julie and Joe instilled in their children a sense of belonging, compassion and drive to do what's right and serve the world around them by what they do and say and how they live. They emphasized the importance of cherishing memories and how to love unconditionally.

Julie is survived by her loving and devoted husband Joseph J. Martell, Sr., and her loving children Joseph J. Martell, Jr. and his partner Karen Manning of Quincy, David Martell of Kingston, and Laura Martell of East Bridgewater. Dear sister of Paul J. Carr, Jr. of Quincy and Jack Carr of Plymouth. Sister-in-law of Richard Martell and his wife Melanie of Pembroke, David Martell and his wife Kathleen of East Bridgewater and James Martell of Pembroke. She was the proud aunt of 8 nieces and nephews and 3 grandnephews. She is also survived by her lifelong best friends Mary Hines of West Roxbury and Helen Kelley of Plymouth. Julie was the aunt of the late Brendan Carr, daughter-in-law of the late Ruth and Joseph Martell, and sister-in-law of the late Donna (Forde) Martell.

Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend visiting hours in St. Joseph Church, 272 Main Street, Kingston on Friday, June 12, 2026, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. Interment will be private. Family flowers only please. In lieu of flowers, Julie would want donations made in memory of her mother Lois A. Carr to support breast cancer research and patient care. Donations can be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or at dana-farber.org/gift.

To leave a condolence message for Julie's family, please visit: www.bellodeafuneralhome.com

MCCORMICK



It is with heavy hearts and profound love that we announce the passing of Mary A. McCormick of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, and Moultonborough, New Hampshire. Mary passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, on June 2, 2026, at the age of 88.

Born on May 5, 1938, in Dorchester, Mary lived a life defined by compassion, dedication, and unwavering devotion to her family, faith, and community.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late John McCormick for 54 years and

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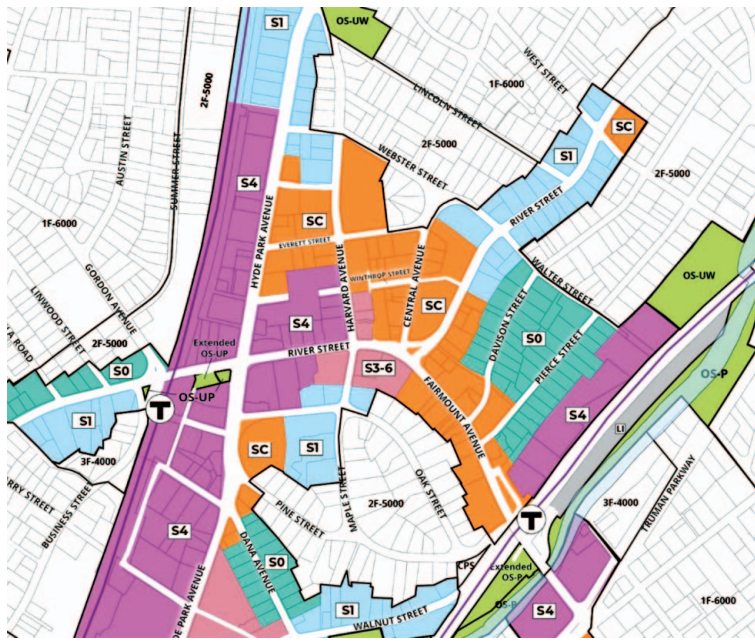
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A draft map of the Hyde Park Squares+Streets plan.

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In response, the Planning Department paused the Cleary Square S+S process, City Hall put together an anti-displacement action plan, and an ad hoc S+S committee drafted a citizens petition that led to a non-public dialogue with City Hall resulting in two new S+S zones and what the committee had thought was a working agreement on the S+S zoning map.

Yet, when the Planning Department finally released its draft map in March, there was incredulous shock from some, followed by community-led efforts attempting to downsize the zones.

Consequently, the June 17 meeting notice was the first item of business discussed last Thursday, and HPNA President Mimi Turchinetz announced that she had been informed by the Planning Department that the updated S+S zoning map would only be released the day before it.

The meeting is being advertised as a “Plan Updates and Closeout” session and – shifting forward the timetable presented by the Planning Department in March – it is slated to be the last scheduled public meeting before the Cleary Square S+S plan goes before the BPDA Board for approval in July and the zoning map goes before the BZC for adoption in August.

“Having the map and the small area plan one day before makes it very difficult to analyze and be able to critique,” Turchinetz said of the limited review time. “It just makes it really, really hard.”

HPNA member Craig

Martin was more succinct. “It’s a slap in the face.”

The request was made to District 5 City Councilor Enrique Pepén and Mayor Wu’s Office of Neighborhood Services – via constituent services staff members in attendance – to see if the Planning Board would either release the map earlier or reschedule the meeting to a later date.

As a byproduct of S+S, the meeting’s only appointment focused on nascent community efforts to ratchet up historical preservation in Hyde Park. Local resident Dean Lampros gave an overview of the protections provided by architectural conservation districts (ACD), for which major exterior property changes would need to be reviewed by a local commission established for that purpose.

Hyde Park Avenue from West Street to Webster Street, Central Avenue from Dell Avenue to Logan Square, and the Pierce and Davison section behind the fire station were all suggested as possible ACDs. All of those sections have also been mapped for S+S zoning districts that – if adopted – would open the door to larger scale development in those residential areas.

“This is a work in progress,” Lampros made clear. “There are no boundaries right now because nothing has been proposed. It’s the very beginning of the conversation.”

The HPNA meets on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Hyde Park Municipal Building/BCYF (1179 River St.). For information, email hydeparkneighbors@gmail.com.

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the devoted mother of five children: Michael McCormick of West Roxbury; Kathy Morrill and her husband, Ernie, of Middletown, Rhode Island; Robert McCormick of West Roxbury; Ann Flynn and her husband, Rick, of Dedham, and the late infant Bartholomew McCormick. She shared a lifetime of love and cherished memories with her family, from summers and winters up the lake in New Hampshire to days spent at the “cottage” in Marshfield.

She was the cherished daughter of the late Robert and Mary Quirk of Dorchester and the dear sister of the late Ruth McCann of Norwood, Dorothy Moran of Braintree, and Robert Quirk of Marshfield. Mary was the proud and loving Granny of Caitlin, Tommy, and Matthew, and a kind-hearted Auntie to her many nieces and nephews.

Mary was a graduate of Notre Dame Academy and earned her undergraduate degree from Emmanuel College and her graduate degree from Radcliffe College. She began her career as a mathematics teacher at Boston Technical High School before stepping away from the profession to devote herself to raising her family.

Throughout her life, Mary remained deeply committed to education, faith, and service. She generously shared her time and talents as a Girl Scout and Boy Scout leader, a Bernardine and CCD teacher at Holy Name Parish, and a dedicated volunteer with the Meals on Wheels program. Later, she returned to the field of education, working with adult learners pursuing their GEDs and helping countless students achieve their diplomas.

Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours at the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre Street, West Roxbury, on Thursday, June 11, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Mary’s life will be held at Holy Name Church, 1689 Centre Street, West Roxbury, on Friday, June 12, at 10:00 a.m. with a repast to follow at the West on Centre.

Mary’s warmth, generosity, faith, and dedication to others will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who knew her.

TODESCA



Virginia A. (Rallo) of Roslindale, passed away on May 31, 2026. Beloved wife of

the late Albert J. Todesca Sr. Devoted mother of Marisa & John, Lisanne & Michael., Albert Jr., and Michele. Loving “Nana” of 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Dear sister of the late Frances D. Cronin and her late husband Gary, and John Rallo all of Medford. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Virginia was born in Boston’s South End, beloved daughter of the late Vito and Cosima (Nunnari) Rallo. She was raised and educated in Medford.

Visiting hours were held at the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury on Thursday, June 4th. The Funeral service from the funeral home was held on Friday, June 5th, followed by a Funeral Mass at Holy Name Church, West Roxbury. Entombment St. Michael Cemetery, Roslindale. For online guestbook pemurrayfuneral.com. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

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Council approves \$8 million in historic preservation

The approval was part of a broader \$32.6 million CPA funding package supporting affordable housing, historic preservation, and parks and open space projects throughout Boston.

The Council's recommendations were advanced by the Community Preservation Committee (CPC), including \$16.3 million for affordable housing, \$8.15 million for historic preservation, and \$8.15 million for open space and recreation initiatives. In addition, the Council

approved \$1.76 million for future CPA community preservation funding rounds.

The historic preservation awards represent a significant investment in preserving historic buildings, cultural institutions, community archives, theaters, religious properties, and neighborhood landmarks across Boston.

The Community Preservation Act is funded through a dedicated surcharge on local

Projects span across Parkway

property taxes, matched in part by statewide CPA trust funds. In Boston, CPA funding supports projects in three primary categories: historic preservation, affordable housing, and parks and open space. Historic preservation grants help protect and rehabilitate buildings, landscapes, archives, and cultural resources that contribute to Boston's history and neighborhood identity.

The FY2026 historic pres-

ervation recommendations presented to the City Council by CPA staff reflect the breadth of Boston's historic resources, supporting projects ranging from landmark civic buildings and theaters to church restorations, archival preservation efforts, accessibility improvements, and the rehabilitation of historically significant community structures.

The proposed FY2026 historic preservation grant recipients are as follows:

- Brighton Allston Congregational Church Brighton/Allston \$500,000
- Archival Preservation at the CLA Citywide \$56,980
- Hyde Park Historical Society Archives Hyde Park \$231,000
- Greater Love Tabernacle Church Dorchester \$274,716
- First Haitian Baptist Church of Boston Dorchester \$597,850
- Capen House Acquisition Dorchester \$100,000
- G Code Tech Carriage House Dorchester \$528,040

- Old State House Downtown \$278,019
 - Riverside Theater Boston Hyde Park \$625,331
 - B.F. Sturtevant Blower Works Powerhouse Hyde Park \$285,482
 - Phillips Brooks Memorial RR Acquisition Hyde Park \$500,000
 - Hope Central Church, Phase 3 Jamaica Plain \$595,000
 - Community Care Collaborative Jamaica Plain \$190,331
 - Ionic Hall Roxbury \$812,307
 - Page Academy Roxbury \$92,405
 - Accessibility at 130 Warren Street Roxbury \$146,654
 - Boston Wharf Company Sign South Boston \$465,453
 - Haley House Roof Repair South End \$291,500
 - Center Street Jewish Cemeteries West Roxbury \$426,800
- This article was prepared by Katherine Kottaridis, Director of the Office of Historic Preservation.

Legal Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 Docket No. SU26D0831DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Jenny Auguste Foster vs. Juan Josue Moran

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

To the Defendant:
 The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Jenny Auguste Foster, 45 Faneuil Street, Apt. 415, Brighton, MA 02135
 your answer, if any, on or before **07/06/2026**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of his Court.
 Date: May 27, 2026
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 06/11/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court

DOCKET No. SU26P1092EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Konstantin E. Balashov
 Date of Death: 11/08/2025

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by

Alexander K. Balashov of Boston, 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:

Alexander K. Balashov of Boston, 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 07/10/2026. 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: June 05, 2026
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 06/11/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU26D0472DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Jean Carlos Tavaréz vs. Santa Ramirez-Tavaréz

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

To the Defendant:
 The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**, allow plaintiff to resume the former name of **Santa Ramirez Romero**. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Jean Carlos Tavaréz, 116 Colburn Street, Dedham, MA 02026
 your answer, if any, on or before **07/14/2026**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: June 4, 2026
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 06/11/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 Docket No. SU25D1108DR

Divorce Summons by Publication and Mailing
Elvire Edmond vs. Bob Andy Francois

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

To the Defendant:
 The Plaintiff has filed a complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**. The complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **See Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Elvire Edmond, 4891 Washington Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132
 your answer, if any, on or before **07/30/2026**. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court

Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court .
 Date: May 18, 2026
 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 Docket No. SU25D1108DR

Divorce Summons by Publication and Mailing
Elvire Edmond vs. Bob Andy Francois

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
 24 New Chardon Street
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To the Defendant:
 The Plaintiff has filed a complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**. The complaint is on file at the Court.

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Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers, First Justice of this Court .
 Date: May 18, 2026
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Legal Notice

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HIGHWAY DIVISION

NOTICE OF A VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING
 Project File No. 606902

A Virtual Public Informational Meeting will be hosted on the MassDOT website below to discuss the **West Roxbury Parkway Bridge Replacement** project in West Roxbury, Boston, MA.

WHEN: 6:00 P.M., Thursday, June 25, 2026

PURPOSE: Work is underway to replace the West Roxbury Parkway Bridge and make improvements to the Belgrade Avenue intersection in Boston's West Roxbury neighborhood. The purpose of this meeting is to inform the public about the full bridge closure that is scheduled to take place from July to December of 2026. All views and comments submitted in response to the meeting will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: Accelerated Bridge Construction methods will be used to remove and replace the bridge during the full closure. West Roxbury Parkway between the intersection at Belgrade Avenue and the Holy Name rotary on Centre Street will be closed from July 20, 2026, until early December 2026. Periodic weekend shutdowns of the MBTA Commuter Rail Needham Line will occur during the closure. The presentation will provide further details on this operation, as well as a general project update.

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. MassDOT provides reasonable accommodations and/or language assistance free of charge upon request (e.g. interpreters in American Sign Language and languages other than English, live captioning, videos, assistive listening devices and alternate material formats), as available. For accommodation or language assistance, please contact MassDOT's Chief Diversity and Civil Rights Officer by phone (857-368-8580), TTD/TTY at (857) 266-0603, fax (857) 368-0602 or by email (MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us). Requests should be made as soon as possible and prior to the meeting, and for more difficult to arrange services including sign-language, CART or language translation or interpretation, requests should be made at least ten business days before the meeting.


This meeting will be hosted, or a cancellation announcement posted, on the internet at <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/highway-division/events>.

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