



Residents packed into the Holy Name Church on Sunday to hear the Seraphim Singers perform.

PHOTO BY SUSAN KRZYCKA

## Seraphim's concert inspires hope for peace

### Ukraine War brought into focus

**Susan Kryzcka**  
Staff Reporter

The Seraphim Singers, with the Renaissance Men ensemble, performed Rachmaninoff's All Night Vigil at Holy Name Church in West Roxbury on March 7. Interspersed with Ukrainian folk songs, Greek chants, and displayed icons from The Icon Museum in Clinton, MA, the recital created a spiritual atmosphere of music that focuses on

peace and an end to violence and cultural loss worldwide.

Music Director Eric Christopher Perry led 30 singers in Russian and Ukrainian solemn folk songs which blended well with the religious Rachmaninoff piece. Included was "Oh, a duckling swims on the Tysa River," a song now used as a requiem for fallen Ukrainian protesters and soldiers killed in the current war with Russia, and "Oh, on the hill, on the hill," a Ukrainian

Cossack song. Program notes included historical context and translations from Cyrillic, highlighting the spiritual aspects of the works.

Perry said it is Seraphim's mission to perform music that reflects diverse composers, examines deeply human themes, and challenges audiences to act on the world's issues.

"The conflict occurring in Ukraine is still ongoing and is

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The West Roxbury Business Professional Association heard from the neighborhood last Wednesday.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

## Busy spring for the WRBPA

Events and awards on the docket

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Business and Professional Association (WRBPA) met bright and early last Wednesday and detailed the happenings of West Roxbury.

Firstly, West Roxbury Neighborhood Council member Steve Smith said the Parkway Rotary will be honoring Rose's Bounty Volunteer Judy Jose-Roddy for her service to the community. Rotary President Ray Fitzgerald the organization will be hosting a dinner in her honor from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on May 1 at the Stratford Street Church.

"It's basically going to be a fundraiser for the two groups," he said. "The Parkway Rotary, we have not had one in a long time, and Rose's Bounty. So we're going to honor Judy, and we were supposed to honor her a number of years ago and then COVID-19 hit. So we're going to make up for lost time."

Fitzgerald said the Rotary will be donating a portion of the proceeds to one of Jose-Roddy's favorite charities, the Free Wheelchair Mission.

"It's a worldwide group that makes wheelchairs for people with

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## Evacuation Day: Part 1

### Rumblings and portents

**Greta Gaffin**  
Staff Reporter

March 17, 1776. The British were fleeing Boston. They had spent a miserable week on board ships in Boston Harbor, waiting for a favorable wind to allow them to leave. A year earlier the British officers had been enjoying a small musical procession for St. Patrick's Day culminating in a service at King's Chapel, Boston's oldest Anglican church. The British did not anticipate that the colonists would be able to fight back against the might of the empire. But now General William Howe realized he had to retreat.

"We have been afraid to speak, to write, almost to think. We are now relieved, wonderfully delivered," wrote the Rev. Andrew Eliot, a Congregationalist minister who was one of the few clergymen who had remained in Boston. He was grateful to no longer live in a "garrison town." The city had been under siege for eleven months, and under some form of military occupation

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The Evacuation Day and St. Patrick's Day celebrations have a storied history in Boston.

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# LANA discusses 104 Walter construction

Crane Ledge and vacancy also on the docket



LANA members are gearing up to help build the four new affordable condo units at 104-108 Walter St.

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**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Longfellow Area Neighborhood Association (LANA) out of Roslindale met virtually with about 30 residents last week and discussed the progress of the affordable housing on 104-108 Walter St. in the neighborhood.

The project has been a long time coming and is now the gateway to the Roslindale Wetlands, an urban wild in the area that is now fully protected from development because of the efforts of the Roslindale Wetlands Task Force pushing the city to purchase the site for more than 20 years.

The site is the future home of four affordable homeownership units – two of which are currently under construction by Habitat for Humanity (HFH) through a renovation of an existing house on the site – while the other two will be completely new construction. HFH President and CEO Jim Kostaras came by to give an update, as he often does

at LANA, and said the work on the renovation piece is progressing, but more volunteers wouldn't go amiss.

“The basement floor has been poured and we've installed windows,” he said. “This is in Phase 1, the existing building. We're waiting for better weather to install roof shingles. We're moving forward with the decks and pilings as the exterior renovation and roof drain plan gets finalized. We're working on interior framing so we can start on the mechanicals. The exterior doors are on site, and we're getting ready to install them.”

Kostaras said they will also soon start construction, hopefully this year, on Phase 2, the new building construction. He said currently they are looking for a group of 10 volunteers per day. The volunteer opportunity is April 26 and you can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/3jem2889>

Kostaras said they hope to have at least one of the units occupied by the end of this year.

Speaking of the city pur-

chasing land to keep it from development, LANA member Julia O'Brien asked District 5 City Councilor Enrique Pepén about the current status of Crane Ledge Woods.

Crane Ledge is a long story, but the short version is that five years ago, the landowner at the 24-acre site of woods wanted to develop 14 acres for about 265 units of housing. The plan required zoning variances, and the neighborhood fought the developer until the developer managed a plan that had no variances. Then the city fought it, got sued, lost in court and then approved the plan due to the court decision.

Now advocates are pushing Boston Mayor Michelle Wu's administration to purchase the property, for which representatives of the owners of the Church, Jubilee Christian Church in Mattapan, have said they would want around \$100 million.

“Crane Ledge is probably

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# Market rate rental planned for 57 Walnut Park

ESNA grapples with proposal



A rendering of the proposal at Walnut Park.

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**Richard Heath**  
Staff Reporter

In the 5 W's neighborhood above Egleston Square, income-restricted housing owned by Urban Edge has stabilized that community for over 25 years.

But private developers have slowly moved up the Walnut Park-Westminster Avenue hillside, and Amid Elkoury, of Allston, is the latest.

Elkoury proposes a four-story, 14-unit apartment house at 57 Walnut Park, which he presented at a virtual abutters meeting on March 9.

Although scheduled as an abutters meeting, there were no abutters on the call – only a sprinkling of Egleston Square Neighborhood Association (ESNA) members.

Apparently Urban Edge was not notified, although it owns 2020 Columbus Ave. at the rear of number 57 and 60 Walnut Park across the street.

Elkoury joins Maple Hurst Development, which built a nine-unit condominium at 81 Westminster in 2005, and La Rosa Development with its nine-unit condominium at 16 Westminster in 2007.

Elkoury and his partner Tigran Yesayan bought the circa 1873 house in 2021, which at that time was a rooming house; Elkoury said he restored it to three apartments in 2023.

Attorney Matt Eckel introduced the plans saying, “this is the first public meeting, the next stop will be with ESNA.”

Eckel introduced Jennifer Ha of Hue Architects, who explained that the building was designed to complement the curve of Walnut Park with two wings: one forward of the other, linked by balconies.

“The building cut reflects the curve of the street,” she said.

The building, three stories with tall clerestory corner windows on the first three stories and at the corner, is set on an overhang podium over the first floor.

The first floor will include 10 covered parking spaces and three open air in back, accessed by a drive adjacent to 61 Walnut Park, a rare almost one-to-one parking ratio.

Also on the ground floor will be a residents' common room and storage.

Unusual for Egleston Square, the apartments be will be eight two-bedroom and six three-bedroom units, no studios or single-bedroom units.

“It seemed like a good option,” Eckel said. “Family-sized units – it seemed like a benefit to have three bedrooms.”

“There will be large, black aluminum windows and hardy plank façade materials,” Ha said. “The goal is to present an attractive,

Walnut Park

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# Evacuation *continued from page 1*

since 1768, when the British army first arrived to enforce new and unpopular taxes. Every aspect of life had been disrupted. Private citizens were forced to quarter soldiers in their homes. Churches had been desecrated by being used as stables. Eliot noted that, now that the British were gone, Bostonians would finally have access to the coal the British army had kept for themselves during the winter of 1775-1776.

Would anyone in Boston have noticed March 17, 1776 was St. Patrick's Day? Perhaps Henry Knox, the man who had dragged captured British cannons over 200 miles from upstate New York to perch on Dorchester Heights. His parents were Protestant Irish immigrants. But in general, Bostonians, descendants of strict Puritans, were not enthusiasts for saint's days. Many did not even celebrate Easter; if it was not mentioned in the Bible, Congregationalists were not interested in it. But on what was Holy Saturday that year, April 6, 1776, Bostonians removed one of their own from his grave: Joseph Warren, the decorated officer who had died a year earlier fighting a private on Breed's Hill. He would finally be given a proper military funeral on April 8. Abigail Adams

wrote of the noble cause for which he had died a martyr. If there was any celebration that year that marked the end of British occupation, it was Warren's funeral.

Likely some of the men on board the British ships were Irish. The first ships left Boston at 4 a.m. on March 17; perhaps by the time it was daybreak, they would have looked over the starboard side and thought of their distant home, 3,000 miles away across the Atlantic. Many Irishmen served in the British Army, existing in an uncomfortable dual identity of colonial victim as well as colonial enforcer. The regiment that had perpetrated the Boston Massacre had numerous Irish soldiers in it. They were His Majesty's subjects just as someone from England was.

And just as someone from Boston was. The British ships leaving that day contained not only men in their bright red coats but also over a thousand civilian men, women, and children. They were Bostonians who loved their city, but they loved their country too, and to Loyalists, that country was Great Britain. These Loyalists would arrive in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on April 1, a grim fishing village that was scarcely equipped to handle ten thou-

sand new residents.

The Loyalists did not understand their rebellious brethren. Britain was significantly better to its colonies than France or Spain were. The local-born elite class enjoyed privileges and powers that "criollos" (a person from Spanish South or Central America) in "New Spain" never would. For the working class to be angry was perhaps understandable. But why would their fellow elite men like John Adams want to secede?

The answer to that is complicated. But for many in Boston, the Revolution was the end result of almost 150 years of fighting against the British state for freedom.

Their forefathers had fled England to have a truly godly colony, a shining city on a hill. It would be a place of a better, purer Christianity than in the degraded Church of England. The Puritans were frustrated by the continued proliferation of saints' feast days that seemed to be more about excessive drinking than anything else. They wanted Sundays to be only about God, not sports. And they did not like that a distant powerful bishop could yank a beloved priest and replace him with an incompetent (or worse) cleric at will. The Puritans also saw it as their duty to be a Protestant bulwark against the kingdom of the Antichrist the Jesuits were trying

to raise up in nearby Quebec.

The Church of England did not like that the Puritans wanted something better. Archbishop William Laud had chased them out of England by threatening to imprison Puritan clergy, and then he tried to take their colonial charter away. But God delivered them from the evils of Laud, as noted by Josiah Quincy in 1774.

Evil, of course, was a constant problem. Jesuits might be lurking behind any tree, ready to pounce upon an unsuspecting Puritan and force him to become enslaved to the Pope. Bostonians cheered for Cromwell, who promised to remake England as a godly Commonwealth. But he was defeated, and the monarchy was restored. Anglican Charles II and Catholic James II were frustrated by Massachusetts' insolence. The minister John Eliot was forced to apologize for his anti-monarchical text. He wanted a different form of government: theocratic rule by godly men, elected by other godly men. An appointed royal governor opened up the colony's first Anglican church in 1686. The minister Increase Mather was outraged. The Book of Common Prayer was clearly a slippery slope to Roman Catholicism, which itself was only a slippery slope to resurrecting Roman paganism. The right to vote was changed from being limited to men who were church members to men who owned property, which was the norm in Britain.

This may seem like irrelevant historical information to us today. But it was very much not irrelevant to Boston's patriots in the 1770s. They saw themselves as part of a cosmic struggle between good and evil, between true religion and idolatry, and between freedom and tyranny. They were fighting not only for free trade and fair taxation but to not be forced to convert to Anglicanism, or worse, Roman Catholicism.

In the 18th century, Boston grew and prospered. Congrega-

tionalists begrudgingly learned how to co-exist with Anglicans, although they did not like it when Anglican converts smugly said that Anglican priests were the only real clergymen in New England. Learning to co-exist with Catholics was another matter. The last woman hanged for witchcraft in Boston was hanged largely due to her Catholic faith and the fact that she only spoke Irish, not English. In a skirmish against indigenous tribes in Maine in 1724, colonists scalped a Jesuit. There were several military campaigns against Quebec, which ended in draws, but not without Massachusetts militiamen smashing statues in Catholic churches.

Strict Puritanism and hatred of the state receded somewhat as the 18th century progressed. Working class Boston men began to observe Guy Fawkes Day, which commemorated the failure of a Catholic plot to blow up Parliament in 1605. In Boston it was known as Pope's Night, and it involved the ritual burning of an effigy of the pope. The elite shed their plain clothing for more elaborate frock coats and gowns and began to collect European art (and acknowledged that Catholic art was better). Cotton Mather, Increase Mather's son, may have hated the English church. But he was also a proud member of the Royal Society, an academic society founded by Charles II. Bostonians were pleased when Charles Stuart (also known as Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Young Pretender), who was the last Catholic claimant to the British throne, was defeated in 1746. Bostonians were British Protestants, and mostly happy to be so. Ministers preached hundred-year-anniversary sermons in 1749 commemorating the death of Charles I under Cromwell that talked about the evils of monarchy and bishops. They could do this because they were in Massachusetts, not London, and they were happy this was the case.

But this would change. *Check in next week for the full story.*

## Parkway celebrates St. Patrick



The Corrib and the Irish Social Club celebrated St. Patrick's Day in style this week. Hundreds came out to celebrate the season and dance the night away.

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## An odious death on Highway 80

Say what you want about former Teamster President Jimmy Hoffa, but he did have enough class to attend the Detroit funeral of Viola Liuzzo, assassinated on a rural Alabama highway. Sixty-two years is a long time ago on March 30 when he joined 350 mourners to grieve for wife of a Teamster official.

Liuzzo was driving on U.S. 80 from Selma, Alabama, when a car pulled up beside her and one of its occupants fired point-blank into her face. She was not in that southern state for Teamster business: she was there to help correct a wrong, not one perpetrated by a President but by legislators and her fellow Americans.

In 1964 she, along with millions of other Americans, watched on television the horror happening in the South on Bloody Sunday, March 7; the next day she decided to drive from Detroit to go to Selma. On Sunday, March 21, she joined 3,000 other marchers as, five abreast; they marched across the infamously named Pettus Bridge, across the Alabama River in Selma. (Built in 1940, it still bears the name of Edmund Pettus, a former Confederate brigadier general, U.S. senator, and state-level leader — Grand Dragon — of the Alabama Ku Klux Klan.) Fourteen days before the site gave the name Bloody Sunday to March 7.

On March 24 Liuzzo stayed overnight at St. Jude's, a complex of buildings including a Catholic Church, hospital and school, just inside the Montgomery city limits. From the church tower she watched the approach of 25,000 marchers. When she came down from the tower, she told one of the parish priests, "I have a feeling of apprehension. Something is going to happen today. Someone is going to be killed."

Calmer after prayer, she joined the marchers for the last four miles to the capitol building in Montgomery. With everyone else she sang freedom songs and



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listened to the speeches. When the march was over, Liuzzo met civil rights worker Leroy Moton, who had been using her car all day as an airport shuttle. The two of them drove five passengers back to Selma — about the same distance as Boston to Worcester. When they were dropped off, Viola volunteered to return Moton to Montgomery. Harassed by others on the trip back to the state capital, their car was trailed by members of the Ku Klux Klan — Collie Wilkins, Jr., William Eaton, and Eugene Thomas — who spotted Liuzzo and Moton at a traffic light in Selma. They followed her car for twenty miles. About half-way between Selma and Montgomery the men pulled their car up next to hers and shot her. Liuzzo was killed instantly, thus becoming the only white woman (that we know of) to die in the Civil Rights movement. Her car crashed into a ditch, while Moton escaped relatively uninjured.

In 2002, nearly forty years after their deaths, a Selma Memorial plaque, honoring the high school drop-out Viola Liuzzo and two other heroes of the Civil Rights movement, Jimmy Lee Jackson and James Reeb, was dedicated at the Unitarian Universalist Association's Boston headquarters building at 25 Beacon Street. The next time you're downtown, take a look and say a prayer in thanks for what the three accomplished.

## Neponset River Spring Cleanup Returns April 25th— Volunteers Needed Across 8 Communities



Residents are once again gearing up to gunk out the Neponset River all over Boston.

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Neponset River Spring Cleanup Returns April 25th — Volunteers Needed Across 8 Communities

The Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) and a coalition of regional partners are excited to announce the return of the Annual Neponset River Spring Cleanup on Sat-

urday, April 25th, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Volunteers will gather at sites in Quincy, Dorchester, Hyde Park, Milton, Mattapan, Dedham, Canton, and Norwood to remove trash and debris from parks, greenways, and riverbanks.

We welcome volunteers of all ages and abilities to attend

this important and fun event. Children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult.

NepRWA works to improve green spaces and water quality by removing trash and debris and supporting the overall

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## Ask Rusty – When Will I Get Full Credit for Delaying my SS Retirement?

Dear Rusty: The time is nearing that I want to move from my current Social Security survivor benefit to my own SS retirement benefit at 70 years of age. I have been looking more deeply into the application of Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs), and I have read that DRCs accumulated in the year that I turn 70 (September 2026) will not be effective when I actually turn 70. Rather, those DRCs won't be paid until the following year. Can you verify that this is correct? I presume that if the DRC's are not applied at age 70, that they will be applied sometime after the first of the year and any increase will be paid retroactively. Signed: Retiring Soon

Dear Retiring Soon: The Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) you speak of have accumulated at the rate of 8% per year (.667% per month) since you reached your SS full retirement age (FRA), which means that at age 70 your monthly SS benefit will be about 129% of the amount you were entitled to at your FRA of 66 years plus 4 months.

However, your understanding of how DRCs will work for you at age 70 is not correct. If you claim for your Social Security retirement benefits to begin in September 2026 (the month you turn 70) you will receive all DRCs, you have accumulated up to that point in time. In other words, you will get your full age 70 benefit amount immediately, including all DRCs earned until then, effective with your first SS retire-



**Russell Gloor**

AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

ment payment (which you will get in October 2026). What you have likely read about is that DRCs work a bit differently for those who claim SS after their full retirement age, but before their 70th birthday month.

For those who claim mid-year but before age 70, only DRCs earned through the end of the preceding year are initially applied, and DRCs earned during the current year are not paid until the following January. This results in a loss of some SS benefit between the time benefits start and the following January, because only the amount earned as of the end of the previous year are first paid, and the full number of DRCs earned during the current year are applied in January. But, as is the case for you, when benefits are claimed to start in the month you reach 70 years of age, all DRCs earned up to the month of your 70th birthday are immediately applied. Congratulations on select-

ing a strategy which will maximize your monthly Social Security benefit.

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# Librarian is 'haunted' by Belle Da Costa Greene Draws crowd at WR Library



Residents packed in last week to hear about JP Morgan Chase's personal librarian.

PHOTO BY DILANI YOGARATNAM

**Dilani Yogaratnam**  
Staff Reporter

Librarian Erica Ciallela stood in front of a packed audience at the West Roxbury branch of the Boston Public Library, March 9, to discuss Belle Da Costa Greene, who was a librarian for much of her life for JP Morgan, a household name to many.

But Ciallela said it was Greene who had the more interesting life.

The way Greene even became a librarian for JP Morgan, according to Ciallela, was because his wife felt he had too many books and wanted them stored away from the house. No one imagined a library, per se. Ciallela described Greene's education and career which eventually led to working for Morgan, but she also had to bring up the provocative issue of many assuming Greene was white despite being the child of prominent Black parents. This interesting nugget of truth came about when a biographer for JP Morgan, Jean Strouse, realized this while doing research for her book in the 1990s. She found out her birthplace, birth

year and background were different than what people assumed. Strouse then wrote an article in The New Yorker magazine on this finding, and mainstream people became aware of Greene, as a Black woman.

Ciallela is a Belle Da Costa Greene fellow and has cataloged archives of Greene in the Morgan Museum. In addition, she provided future researchers a finding catalog since Greene's work is so prolific. She is co-curator of the first Belle Da Costa Greene exhibit at The Morgan Library and Museum in New York which took place in 1924-25. She is now an outreach/instruction librarian at the Harvard Schlesinger Library for the history of women in America, according to the representative of Friends of the West Roxbury Branch Library, who organized the event.

Ciallela would often sleep on couches in the Morgan Museum while setting up the exhibition and feel haunted by "Belle's ghost not being happy" with her interpretation of her life, she joked.

Greene was actually born Belle Marion Greener, to par-

ents Genevieve Ida Fleet and Richard Theodore Greener in Washington, DC. Fleet was part of the Washington elite at a time when DC was very mixed, according to Ciallela, with freed and enslaved individuals. After marrying Greener, the two live in South Carolina where Greener was the first faculty member and librarian at the University of South Carolina. But due to reconstruction, the couple moved back to DC where they had five children.

Ciallela said Greene was deeply impacted by her immediate family who were readers, musicians and educators. The family eventually moved to New York City because the father was asked to be a part of the Grant Monument Tomb

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disabilities and who cannot afford one," he said.

Jose-Roddy said it only takes \$96 to get a wheelchair and deliver it anywhere in the world with this charity.

"These are people who are currently crawling on the ground or are home-bound, and they get a wheelchair delivered to them," she said.

Fitzgerald said there will also be a wine tasting.

More information can be found at <https://www.westroxburyclub.org>

State Sen. Michael Rush came by the meeting to detail his work at the Massachusetts Legislature. He said his most recent achievement is the ability to allow for remote testimony during legislative hearings, so residents don't have to come all the way to the statehouse to make their voices heard.

During Rush's speaking session, one resident asked about the current legal battle going on between State Auditor Diana DiZoglio, the state legislature and Attorney General Andrea Campbell (formerly District 4 City Councilor).

The legal battle is basically over who has jurisdiction and how far does DiZoglio's authority extend - <https://tinyurl.com/y4p734yu>

One resident asked Rush about this, who pointed out that the state hires an outside firm every two years to audit the legislature's financials.

"Every two years we do an audit by an outside firm that is a financial audit, and so when the budget is allotted we're one of a few states that does a yearly budget, and money is allocated to the Governor's Office so we do an independent audit," he said. "The state auditor has made this fairly political. I served with her in the senate, and she seems to be interested - we've asked the question,

"What exactly do you want to audit? Do you want to audit our audit? We do an audit and there seems to be ambiguity in that. And there's a constitutional issue."

One resident pointed out that Massachusetts has some of the most restrictive public records laws in the country, which is one reason for the audit - <https://tinyurl.com/bdzdrbpb>

Though he and Rush agreed a bill is going through the process that might help to change that.

Also at the meeting, West Roxbury Main Streets Executive Director Lindsay Chase detailed the upcoming May 16 Celebration for the 175th Anniversary of West Roxbury. She said it will be a big party at the Irish Social Club and everybody's invited.

"We want it to be a big reunion type event, with heavy hors d'oeuvres, two bars, obviously at the Social Club and live music," she said. "We expect a good turnout so we hope you all can come."

Chase added that WRMS is looking for volunteers and sponsors for the event.

"Anyone who wants to help can," she said. "We're looking for sponsorships, we're looking for help selling tickets, just getting the word out and letting people know. We're going to do lawn signs and banners too. We'll do one at the (Boston Police Department District E-5) Station, we'll do one at the YMCA and one at Holy Name Circle, just to make sure people are aware of it."

More information on the WRMS event can be found at <https://www.wrms.org/west-roxbury-175>

WRBPA President Jim Hennigan said the next meeting is set for April 8 at 8 a.m. at the Corrib, but mentioned the June meeting will be an evening meeting at the Corrib starting at 5 p.m. with beer and wine available.

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# Legals

# Residents want Flint's sign to stay at Barry's Corner in Allston Keeping it in the family



Residents were supportive of the project, but asked that the iconic Flint Cleaners sign be preserved.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court  
Docket No. SU26D0268DR

**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**  
Sheirelle Bowman VS Kenneth R Bowman

Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA02114

To the Defendant:

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**Sheirelle Bowman, 37 Blake St., Hyde Park, MA 02136**

your answer, if any, on or before **04/16/2026**. 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: February 19, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

*Hyde Park Bulletin: 3/19/2026*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court

**DOCKET No. SU25P1283EA**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Estate of: Patrick J. Kelly  
Also known as: Patrick Kelly  
Date of Death: 05/11/2025

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A - **Formal Probate of Will** with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by  
**Andrea Kelly of Quincy, 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:  
**Kristen Kelly of Milton, MA**

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court

**DOCKET NO. SU26P0365EA**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Estate of: David Kam  
Date of Death: 10/20/2024

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  
**Dennis C. Kam of West Roxbury, 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:  
**Dennis C. Kam of West Roxbury, MA**

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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

*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 03/19/2026*

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning Department held a hearing on Monday detailing the plan for a new eight-story building at 170-172 Western Ave. in Allston.

The building will have 1,395 square feet of retail space, bike parking for all units, and one of the ground-floor retail spaces will preserve Flint's Drycleaners, which the Planning Department stated "has served the community since the 1960s."

The building will have 20 total units with 12 one-bedrooms, seven two-bedrooms, and one three-bedroom. Three units will be designated as affordable per the city's Inclusionary Development Policy. There will be no vehicle parking spaces in the building.

Flint Cleaners owners Hun Jae Lee and May S. Lee said they hope the building will be a good addition to the neighborhood.

"We're the owners of 170-172 Western Ave," Hun Jae Lee said. "It has been a dry cleaner on this corner for a very long time. We're here tonight because we want to build something new."

The Lees said they came to the U.S. from Korea and bought the cleaners in January of 1986.

"Over 40 years ago, and we know many of you," Mary Lee said. "Some of you have been our customers for 20 years or 30 years. Last year the City of Boston gave Flint Cleaners the Legacy Business Award. This was our honor. It meant the city recognized that Flint is part of the neighborhood. We are not a big developer, we are a small family. This is our corner. We have been taking care

of it for 40 years, and we want to keep taking care of it."

Mary Lee said the new building will reflect that commitment to the community.

The building will need zoning relief from the Zoning Board of Appeals for height (85 feet proposed, 35 feet allowed), floor area ratio, parking (42 spaces required, zero proposed) and loading bays (one required, none proposed).

Resident Mark Reczek asked about construction coordination to mitigate impacts to the surrounding local businesses and residents. Development representative Jay Walsh said they would continue to have "open lines of communication" with all impacted.

"We are always willing to talk to folks and see how best to coordinate," he said.

Reczek added that he would like to see the Flint Cleaners sign protected and reused, as it is a landmark of Barry's Corner.

"A lot of people appreciate the sign in the neighborhood, similar to how Twin Donuts is seen as an iconic sign of Union Square," he said.

Walsh said they would "look into it."

"You're not the first one to ask a question about the sign," he said. "That's to be determined, but we've heard loud and clear that people like it. So we're going to look for creative ways to keep that sign somewhere in Allston."

Reczek said he appreciated the zero parking spaces.

"Having no parking only encourages the future residents and patrons of this business to continue to use the public transit around them," he said.

Resident Scott Johnson said he was very much in favor of the project.

"The Lees are lovely

people; we've lived in the neighborhood for 13 years now and they're a big part of the fabric of the community," he said. "I can't tell you how excited we are to finally see a development of this scale that is being done by members of our own community, not out-of-state developers or people looking to make a quick buck. These are people who are really anchored in the community and have invested in it for a long time."

Resident Robert Breslin, of Kingsley Street, said he had issues with the no parking, as more and more, street parking has become rarer and rarer.

"There is no way I can support another building with no parking," he said. "Kingsley Street is unbelievable, there are people parking in my driveway; we're calling 311 all the time. The whole of Western Avenue is more and more apartments, way too many in my opinion. And so for the 20 units, are there going to be no cars allowed? Is there going to be some agreement, they're going to sign something saying they're not going to have a car?"

Walsh only responded that there will not be parking offered on site.

"They'll be parking in my driveway, probably," Breslin said.

Several attendees actually asked for more units and more height during the presentation.

For more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/486jc25s>



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# Seraphim *continued from page 1*

still very, very heavy for all of us. We here at Seraphim also love the great choral masterworks, the big pieces. The Rachmaninoff All Night Vigil is certainly something that, while Seraphim has done a couple of movements, has never done it in full.”

Perry said he felt that pairing Ukrainian folk songs brings commonalities and creates more meaningful context.

“Whether it be chant or folk song singing, monodic singing that is solo and a capella, but also to find ways to hopefully bring an end to this conflict through music and to find a way to make a great expression of peace with all of the music in the region,” he said.

The concert understandably required many months of preparation. “It took three weeks alone to be sure the text and translations were correct, and working with the ensemble was almost three months, making it about an eight-month long project,” said Perry.

He said he feels good about the outcome. “Remember, too, that this piece was not intended for church use, and so I felt that there was a little bit of license to explore different options in terms of how this music could be presented,” he said.

The little over-one-hour concert provided time for solos so that other singers could catch their breath and have a sip of water.

“As a vocalist myself – as a tenor who has sung in the chorus for the Rachmaninoff All Night Vigil many times – I can tell you that it is tour de force vocally,” he said. “And so, if there is any moment to gather emotional thought, spiritual thought, vocal energy, like if there are moments to do that, then yeah, we’re happy to be creative and use it to our advantage.”

Perry said he feels that the result has been a success due to the skill of the singers.

“So many of the members in this group have musical lives beyond Seraphim, which is one of the great advantages of working with this ensemble, is that they’re incredibly astute musicians,” he said. “And also, just as the mission states that we are a broader cultural and social awareness type ensemble where it comes with music, I think that kind of sensitivity also shows with the personnel as well.”

To learn about upcoming Seraphim concerts, go to [www.seraphimsingers.org](http://www.seraphimsingers.org).

# LANA *continued from page 2*

the biggest chunk of land at risk of losing open space because of development,” Pepén said. “It’s very controversial with a lot of back-and-forth between the developers and the city, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Planning Department etc. Right now, a few months ago the developers won their case... My stance has always been to preserve Crane Ledge Woods, but with the ask that there be an appraisal for Crane Ledge Woods so the city can pay the adequate amount to the developers.”

Pepén said the church should be properly compensated.

“What would be the ideal situation is the city is able to pay for the land or be able to do a swap of land so they’re able to preserve Crane Ledge Woods for another piece of land, if that even exists,” he said.

Another issue that has recently popped up is that of street trash. Residents said after the big snow melt from the feet of snow dropped on the city this winter, there is now a lot of trash on the streets. Pepén said he sympathized, but the city is stuck with the dirt until it can take an April shower.

“I was able to connect with the Public Works Department and I learned that street sweeping really starts on April 1,” he

said. “I requested a sweeper but because of the contracts, they have to start on April 1.”

Pepén did say, however, specific and special requests for cleaning may see the promptest service.

“If there is a specific street which you think has an abundance of trash, let them know, let me know and I’ll let them know so that it can be taken care of as soon as possible,” he said.

The next LANA meeting is scheduled for May 11 at 7 p.m. For more information, go to [longfellowarea.com](http://longfellowarea.com)

# Library *continued from page 5*

project in Riverside Park in Manhattan. Soon after he became bored living at home with family and became a diplomat in Russia; he cut ties with his family, which is when Belle changed her name from Greener to Greene.

Genevieve Fleet did not let this hamper her spirit, said Ciallela, and worked hard to provide a good education for all her children. Greene attended Northfield Academy before she going to library school. Ciallela showed a group school photo of Greene that an archivist sent her, which surprised her as she was under the impression that a 1910 photo was the earliest but this newly-discovered photo was from 1900.

“She has this look that me and my co-curator say looks like she’s saying ‘You want to doubt me, don’t you, but guess what!’ I’m just obsessed with it.”

Professors helped Greene earn a spot at Princeton University as a librarian. Ciallela then interrupted herself of Greene’s history to say she found it challenging to bring up the race issue without it overshadowing the straightforward and more important story of her career. In the exhibit, the curators put the issues concerning race in the center of the exhibit, featuring artists of the Harlem Renaissance. She did have diaries which she burned, so Ciallela said she can only wonder.

“What did it mean to be Black not only in America but in New York City, in a land where everyone thought it was safe but really wasn’t?”

Ciallela’s take on Greene is that she wanted to be seen for her work through her extensive archives rather than her race. While at Princeton, she worked as a cataloger and there she met Junius Morgan, JP’s nephew, who had no interest organizing his uncle’s books and thus set

Greene up for an interview, after which she was hired immediately. Greene hired an assistant and got to work cataloging and also making acquisitions, such as a letter from a famous writer, and she also got the price down which was the moment Morgan realized the treasure he had hired. Ciallela then showed a picture of Bernard Berenson, an art historian, to whom Greene wrote at least 500 letters. They began as lovers and turned into best friends, and most of the letters were gossip. She mentioned a rivalry between Isabella Stewart Gardner and Greene on acquisitions, reflected in the letters. The letters are now institutional records at the museum, Ciallela said in a faux pompous accent.

Ciallela then showed pictures of a Balzac acquisition and said that Greene liked the marked up copies versus the neat copies, as that is where one saw the creative genius.

“What really put Greene

on the map is this really boring book,” which Ciallela said she purchased at an auction for roughly \$50,000, which was the largest amount of money spent on a book. “It made headlines across the world,” Ciallela said. “This librarian is taking the world by storm.”

And what made Greene even more interesting, according to Ciallela, was her zest for making contacts across the world in order to track down worthwhile books and verify authenticity.

“She garnered a lot of respect in a short amount of time.” In 1913, JP Morgan passed away, and Greene was in limbo and convinced his son, Jack, to keep the books and related materials. In 1924, Jack Morgan gifted the library to the public, and Greene became its first director until 1948. She died in 1950.

For more information on upcoming programs by Friends of the West Roxbury Branch Library, who organized this event, visit [friendsofthewrlibrary.org](http://friendsofthewrlibrary.org).



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Ariz, of West Roxbury, passed away on March 16, 2026. He was 84 years old.

Ariz was born and raised in

Vlore, Albania. He proudly enjoyed a 35-year career as a teacher, before immigrating to the U.S. in 2013. His death, at his home, was as he would have wanted it. He passed away as he had lived his life: peacefully and gracefully, surrounded by his family.

Ariz was the dear and devoted husband for 54 years of Vera (Lilaj). Beloved father of Etleva Vantazi and her husband Valmir of Albania, Anila Piqani and her husband Bruno of Westwood, Sabina Shehaj and her husband Edmond of Albania, Ardita Bitri and her husband Ilvin Jaze of West Roxbury. Dear grandfather of Eljo & Eno Vantazi, Edward Piqani, Endi & Alvi Shehaj, and Era Jaze.

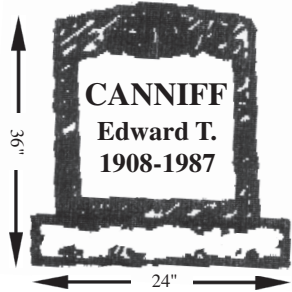
Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to the visiting hours at the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home Wednesday March 18, 2026 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral at the funeral home Thursday March 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., followed by burial at Mt. Benedict Cemetery in West Roxbury.

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## DEATHS

### CONLEY



Robert D. "Bob" Conley, Sr., of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on March 10, 2026. Beloved husband of the late Marie V. (Walsh) Conley. Devoted father of Katherine C. Martin and her husband Gabriel of Canton, Paul G. Conley and his wife Christine of Roslindale, Michael R. Conley of CA, Elizabeth M. Reed and her husband Ryan of ME, and the late Robert D. Conley, Jr. Son of the late Mary A. (McGrath) Conley and George A. Conley. Dear brother of Joan (Conley) Gramer of Norwood, preceded in death by brothers George, John "Jack", and Richard "Red" Conley, and sisters Claire (Conley) Begin, and Anne (Conley) Sheehan. Loving Papa of

Kevin Martin, Erin Martin and her fiancé Colin Soucy, Sean Conley, and Michaela Reed. Also survived by many nieces and nephews and his best friend, Al Celata of Roslindale.

Bob was born and raised in the Grove in West Roxbury. Bob graduated from Roslindale High School, where he was a 4-sport athlete. He joined the ROTC program at Northeastern University, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering. After graduating, Bob enlisted in the US Army. Following his time in the Army, he worked for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works (DPW), as an engineer in the Highway & Bridges Department for over 30 years. After marrying Marie, they raised their family on Dow Road, in the community that he loved.

Bob was an avid sports fan; you would often see him catching a CM baseball game on the hill or a Parkway Little League game at the Complex, especially when his grandson was playing. Bob spent his time playing Whist and Poker with his buddies at the Boston Elks Lodge # 10 in West Roxbury, where he was a member. He also enjoyed playing in Cribbage leagues at the Dedham VFW Post 2017 and the Village Club in Needham.

Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, on Thursday, March 19th 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 St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Visiting Hours, Wednes-

day, March 18th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Bob may be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center at <https://joslin.org/giving/>

### GARRISON



Theresa Julia (Malvone), 89, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 13th, 2026 at home surrounded by loved ones. Theresa was born on April 3, 1936 to Angelo Malvone and Philomena Garcia Malvone in the North End of Boston. She attended the Girl's High School of Boston, graduating in 1954. After graduation, she started her career working at New England Telephone where she was an exemplary employee and a union representative. In 1960, she

### Deaths

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## ZBA approves Allandale Farm expansion

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

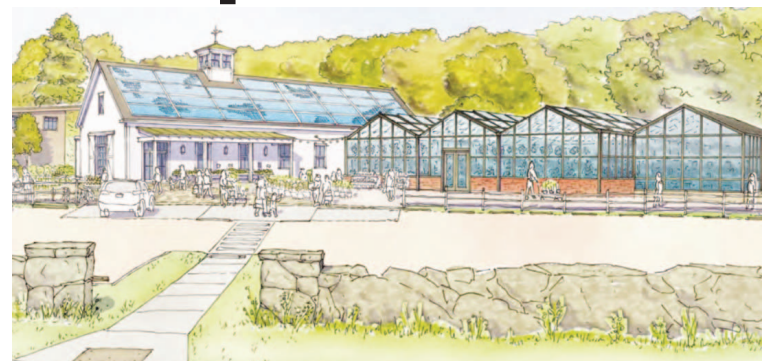
The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) voted unanimously at a recent meeting to build a new retail greenhouse and a new retail barn on the Allandale Farm site.

The farm, which sits on the borders of West Roxbury, Jamaica Plain and Brookline, has been in operation for more than 150 years in some form or another, far before zoning took effect in Boston, and the retail use has been in operation for about 60 years. However, the Boston Zoning Code does not allow as-of-right retail in a Greenbelt Protection Overlay District, as well as forbidding agriculture and retail altogether, so the farm needed four separate variances from the ZBA to build the greenhouse and retail building.

The first building, the greenhouse, is at 255 Allandale St. and would consist of a 5,170 square-foot greenhouse and the second building, the retail barn, is at 257 Allandale St. and would take up 5,535 square feet of space.

Attorney Barry Fogel represented farm owner Helen Glotzer during the proceedings, and said the project would replace the aging greenhouses currently in place.

"The goal is to upgrade the facilities to make them more efficient



A rendering of the proposed new buildings.

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and sustainable and support the regional community in a way that continues to be consistent with the neighborhood," Fogel said. "The project provides a better visitor experience, improves parking and sustainability with stormwater management, protection for the nearby wetland area resources, and it's dark sky compliant to improve lighting."

Fogel said the demolition has already taken place for the new buildings and was previously approved in the fall. He said the plans include a new stormwater management system for the parking lot as well.

"But the pond and the wetland adjacent to it on the right are protected," he said. "We were before the Conservation Commission last year and received permission, and the project was approved by the Boston Planning and Development Agency Board in March of

2025, and we were before the Boston Public Improvement Commission for a new pedestrian crosswalk to allow pedestrians to cross from the south side of Allandale Street to make it into the property."

Fogel said that the zoning also forbids agriculture, which he seemed to indicate was odd.

"The Lawrence Farm Conservation Protection subdistrict was actually named for the farm; Allandale Farm used to be named Lawrence Farm," he said.

For more information on the proposal, go to <https://tinyurl.com/savfenv3>

Office of Neighborhood Services representative Jeremie Bembury said the community process was completed in March of 2025 and received approval from the Jamaica Hills Neighborhood Association.

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married the love of her life, Stoy Garrison and became a proud Naval wife moving from naval station to naval station while raising her two daughters and supporting her country. They decided to raise their family in Boston. Theresa was a proud member of her community, volunteering as a Troop Leader with the Girl Scouts, a lunch mother at the Patrick F. Lyndon Elementary School, and later was on the Parent Guild at Ursuline Academy. When her daughters were older, she returned to work at New England Telephone where she completed 25 years of service. Theresa was known for her willingness to help, and ability to take charge. After her retirement, she lived a full life, actively involved in her children and grandchildren's lives – driving her grandchildren to school, sports and after-school activities. She was also civically active: she volunteered at the polls every election and even found her way to stardom, with a cameo in the Netflix Docuseries, "Trial 4".

Theresa was pre-deceased by her parents, Angelo and Philomena (Garcia) Malvone, her brother Angelo Malvone, and her husband Stoy Garrison. Theresa is survived by her daughters, Michele Garrison Glynne and her husband Michael and her daughter Lisa Garrison, and her sister, Juliana Malvone. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Nicole and her husband Robert, Michael and his wife Alexandra, Brittany and her husband David, Louisa and her husband Michael, Michele, Kathryn, Garrison and his wife Anne Margaret. She is also survived by her eleven great-grandchildren: Tristan, Kieran, Madeline, Jack, Josephine, Evelyn, Julia, Ciara, Maisie, Riley and Liam.

Funeral provided by The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St. West Roxbury. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at the Holy Name Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Theresa's name to Ursuline Academy. Donations can be mailed to Advancement Office, 85 Lowder Street, Dedham MA 02026 or online: [ursulineacademy.net/giving/ways-to-give/](http://ursulineacademy.net/giving/ways-to-give/)

## KENNEALLY



Mary Ann F. (Mazrimas) Kenneally of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain and Chelsea, passed away on March 9, 2026 at the age of 84. She was born July 11, 1941 to Joseph and Mary Mazrimas of Chelsea. In addition to her parents, Mary Ann is predeceased by her beloved husband, Francis X. Kenneally.

Mary Ann is survived by her

two children, Nancy Kenneally and her husband Richard Ferland of New York, NY, and John Kenneally of San Diego, CA. Mary Ann was a loving and very proud grandmother to Megan Ferland of New York, NY.

One of four children, Mary Ann is survived by her older brother Michael and his wife Maureen Mazrimas, and her younger brother Paul and his wife Noreen Mazrimas. She is predeceased by her older brother Joseph and his wife Kathy Mazrimas. Mary Ann was also a loving aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Mary Ann maintained many cherished and long-term friendships throughout her life. She was an active member of the community, donating her handmade wreaths and gift baskets as well as her time to help run the Annual Holiday Bazaar for the Poor Clare Nuns of Boston for several years. She loved to spend summers on the Cape in Dennis with her many close friends at Widow's Walk. In between summers at the Cape, winter trips to Florida and the occasional Caribbean cruise, she worked as a dental receptionist for many, many years, and was loved by countless patients.

She loved to craft and found joy in creating gift baskets, flower arranging and wreath making. Mary Ann loved to gab and always had lots of stories to share. With her warm and friendly personality, she had a natural ability to engage those around her and bring people together. Mary Ann's energy, warmth and sense of humor will be missed by many family, friends and neighbors.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mary Ann Kenneally's name to Poor Clare Nuns of Boston, 590 Gay St., Westwood, MA 02090 / [www.poorclarenunsboston/contact](http://www.poorclarenunsboston/contact) or to Blood Cancer United: [www.bloodcancerunited.org](http://www.bloodcancerunited.org)

Funeral provided by the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St. West Roxbury. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. John Chrysostom Church, 4750 Washington St. West Roxbury. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

Mary Ann's Funeral Mass may be viewed via Livestream at [stjohnchrysostom02132.org](http://stjohnchrysostom02132.org).

## LEONARD



Patricia (Ambler) of Roslindale, MA passed away on March 12, 2026. Beloved wife of the late Hugh Leonard. Loving mother of Kathleen Leonard of Whitman, Paul Leonard of Tucson, Arizona, and Christopher Leonard of Roslindale. Cherished grandmother of Louis, David, Max, Mia,

Isabella, Gabriella, and Nathan. Patricia was predeceased by her parents Herbert and Margaret Ambler and her brother Robert Ambler. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA. on Friday morning, March 20th from 9:30-11:00 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Saint Theresa of Avila Chapel at 11:30 a.m. Interment Mount Benedict Cemetery.

## PORRO



Thomas A., Sr., 87, of West Roxbury, March 11, 2026. Beloved husband of the late Eleanor M. (Flaherty) Porro, he was the devoted father of Thomas A. Porro, Jr. and his wife Lucy of West Roxbury, and Gary Porro and his wife Lisa of Malden. Loving brother to the late Marie Rabs and her husband Buddy, Frances Marden and her late husband Robert, the late Richard Porro and his wife Elaine, Elizabeth Mueller and her husband Fred, Gerald Porro and his late wife Donna, and Alfred Porro and his wife Donna. Tom was the cherished "adopted" grandfather of Megan Kelleher of South Boston and Sean Conley of Roslindale. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews, and an untold number of friends.

Born and raised in Boston, Tom graduated from Boston English High School, served in the U.S. Army, and was long-time proud member of Teamsters Local 25. Tom loved spending weekends and summers first at his camper in eastern New Hampshire, and then for many years at his cottage at Lake Winnepesaukee, where he made a large group of wonderful friends. Lucky enough to retire at an early age, Tom was able to enjoy travel around the U.S., Canada, Europe, and especially the Caribbean. Tom and Eleanor would often travel with family and close friends, but were known for bonding with the people they met on all of their trips.

Tom always had a smile on his face, was quick to laugh and make others laugh, and could be made immeasurably happy with a good meal, especially if it was accompanied by a cold Knickerbocker. He always lit up whatever room he was in, and his warmth and presence will be incredibly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., West Roxbury on Friday March 20, at 8:30 a.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in The Holy Name Church on Friday, March 20 at 10:00 a.m. Visiting hours in the funeral home on Thursday, March 19, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury.

In lieu of flowers, please consider giving to the Alzheimer's Association: [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) or via P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

# Neponset *continued from page 4*

health of the Neponset River Watershed.

Suzanne Hinton, NepRWA's Greenways Program Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator, highlights the key role that volunteers play in these efforts:

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Volunteers can register at [neponset.org/cleanup](http://neponset.org/cleanup). You can select your preferred cleanup site during registration. All necessary equipment – trash bags, gloves, and tools – will be provided on site.

For questions or more information, please contact NepRWA Environmental Science Fellow, Meher Khanna, at [khanna@neponset.org](mailto:khanna@neponset.org) or 781-575-0354 x113

Can't join us this time? Consider donating to help offset cleanup costs at [neponset.org/donate](http://neponset.org/donate). And be sure to keep an eye out for our Fall Cleanup in September!

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# Legals

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court**

**INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** Docket No. SU26P0382EA  
Suffolk Division

Estate of: **Daniel R. Moynihan**  
Also known as: **Daniel Reilly Moynihan**  
Date of Death: **December 21, 2025**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of  
Petitioner **Catherine R. Moynihan of Jamaica Plain, MA**

**Catherine R. Moynihan of Jamaica Plain, 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  
Department**

Docket No. SU25P2833GD

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §**

**In the matter of: Omar Strand  
Of: Dorchester, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**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  
**South Shore Hospital of South Weymouth, MA**

in the above captioned matter alleging that **Omar Strand** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
(or some other suitable person) to be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00AM. on the return date of **04/10/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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

**Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 13, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

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03/19/2026*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

Docket No. SU25P2834PM

**SUFFOLK Division**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405**

**In the matter of: Omar Strand  
Of: Dorchester, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
(Person to be Protected/Minor)**

**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  
**South Shore Hospital of South Weymouth, MA**

in the above captioned matter alleging that **Omar Strand** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that  
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **04/10/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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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: March 13, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

*Boston Bulletin:  
03/19/2026*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court**

Docket No. SU26P0296EA

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Estate of: **Rachel Tepper**  
Date of Death: **11/28/2025**

**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  
**Joseph Tepper of Brighton, 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:  
**Joseph Tepper of Brighton, 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 03/27/2026. 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: February 20, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

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03/19/2026*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court**

DOCKET No. SU26P0384EA

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

Estate of: **Edna L. St. Peter**  
Also known as: **Edna St. Peter**  
Date of Death: **01/10/2026**

**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  
**John Scott House Rehab & Nursing of Braintree, 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:  
**Jonathan J. Davey of Quincy, MA**

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Personal 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 04/17/2026. 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: March 06, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

*Hyde Park Bulletin:  
03/19/26*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

Docket No. SU26P0423GD

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**

**In the matter of: Roger Grimes  
Of: Hyde Park, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**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 Boston, MA**

in the above captioned matter alleging that **Roger Grimes** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **04/14/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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**Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 12, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

*Hyde Park Bulletin:  
03/19/2026*

# Walnut Park *continued from page2*

welcoming façade.”

Ha said her building reflects the design of 67 Walnut Park [built by Urban Edge and opened in 2019, designed by Prellwitz - Chillinski architects].

Elkoury said the three tenants currently living at #57 would be relocated after demolition and given the option to return to the new apartments.

Eckel said there would be two affordable units set aside at 60 percent area median income (AMI).

Resident Sue Pranger asked the inevitable question: “Why can’t the old house be preserved and converted?”

Ha said the fire suppressant sprinklers are not up to code, nor does the house have the required accessibility.

She added that it was not financially fea-

sible to add additional units to the old building; in short it was cheaper to demolish than renovate.

“We gave it a lot of thought to incorporate an add-on,” Eckel said.

“We looked at all the options. Clean slate was the best result.”

“Article 85 demo delay is on the horizon,” Eckel added.

The square footage of the development is slightly over 19,000 square feet, so it does not fall under Article 80 small project review at 20,000 square feet.

The next public step would be the Boston Zoning Board of Appeal, and Eckel listed the seven variances needed.

Sue Pranger asked that the developer make a presentation to the next ESNA housing committee, and Eckel agreed.

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