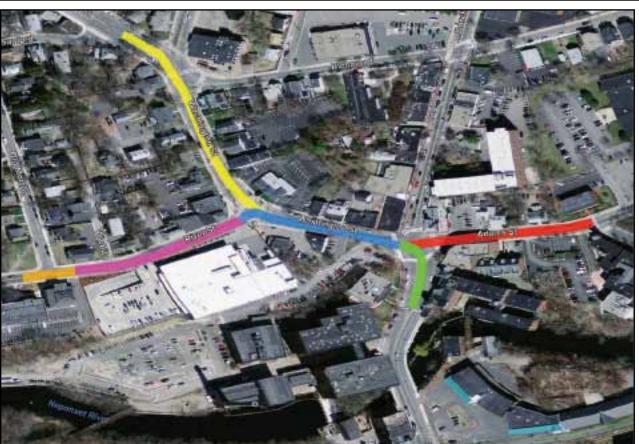
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A preliminary plan by MWRA consultants calls for multiple street closures in Lower Mills starting next month. Graphic by Black and Veatch/MWRA

Concerns flood Lower Mills over MWRA pipeline rehab

By Gintautas Dumcius **News Editor**

Fasten your seatbelts, Lower Mills residents.

Starting next month and running into November, Washington Street, Adams Street, and River Street are scheduled to be periodically closed as part of a project of rehabbing and replacing a major pipeline that distributes water to the

The news has left some local business owners

By Corey Burns

SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

You've likely seen him

ountless times on your

way to grab a coffee at

Greenhills Irish Bakery

or breakfast at Gerard's

He's a giant of a man

aptly nicknamed "the

Clones Colossus" — and

though he's a world-

renowned pugilist who

has competed on the

Kevin McBride likes to

Best known to the

general public for his

2005 TKO victory over

"Iron" Mike Tyson, the

37 year-old is back in

training these days, gear-

world's biggest stage -

keep things simple.

in Adams Corner.

concerned that they haven't received enough information and that the road closures will negatively impact their businesses, potentially forcing some of them to shut their doors for good.

"At this point we're totally in the dark and somewhat disappointed by that so late in the game," said Anthony Paciulli, president of Meetinghouse Bank on Dorchester Ave. and head of the Lower Mills Merchants Association. "We thought we'd be a little more involved."

Given the difficult economy and a challenging winter, the interruption in business due to the project could lead to some businesses closing, merchants said. "There are some folks who have been struggling," Paciulli said.

Ria Convery, a spokeswoman for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, the agency

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that is spearheading the rehab project, said they have been in contact with city officials and neighborhood organizations.

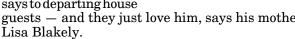
The \$14.5 million project has been planned for a while, she said, and details are emerging now about the work at Lower Mills as the contractor starts to mobilize. Construction began on Adams St. in East Milton Square last

with a smile (Continued on page 11)

By Jackie Gentile SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER Aidan Collins is your average American three-year-old.

With the sweetest personality, Aidan charms everyone with whom he comes in contact.

"K'bye, be safe," he says to departing house



"He's a typical boy," she adds. "He plays rough, plays hard with the kids, but has a heart of gold." But, since last November, Aidan's life has changed dramatically. He was diagnosed with Wilms tumor, a common childhood cancer, and has started both radiation and chemotherapy at Children's Hospital hat drain him of energy and appetite, leaving him tired, rundown and sick.

The illness has been compounded by more bad news for Blakely and her husband Jarrod: the couple were both laid off from their jobs around the time of little Aidan's diagnosis.

Family, friends, and many others with whom

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McBride trains hard for 'last chance'

opportunity to earn title fight bid

Heavyweight boxer Kevin McBride training for his April bout against Tomasz Adamek.

Photo by Guillermo Garcia

ing up for an April bout against Tomasz Adamek (43-1) of Poland. The winner may get a shot at Vitali Klitscho for the heavyweight belt.

"I'm looking forward to it, it's a big fight," Mc-Bride told the Reporter. "It's probably my last chance to get in the door for my dream fight, a world title fight."

"I have been training as hard as I was when I trained for Mike Tyson. I'm a bit heavier and a bit older but I have more experience," McBride said. "I have an equalizer and that's what I intend to do."

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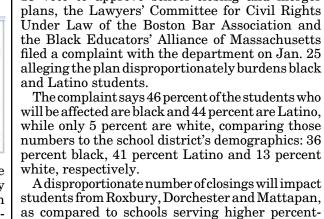
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and the school district.

percent black, 41 percent Latino and 13 percent A disproportionate number of closings will impact

School closings

Latino students,

Feds launch investigation By Michael Norton STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE The U.S. Department of Education has opened an investigation into complaints that the City of Boston's school closing plans discriminate against

In a Feb. 15 letter, Donna Russell, an attorney in the department's Office of Civil Rights, confirmed that an investigation has been opened while cautioning that the investigation itself should not imply that the department agrees with the merits of the case. Russell said the office would act as a neutral fact-finder during the investigation, collecting and analyzing evidence from the complainants

Following the Boston School Committee's Dec. 15 vote to approve school closing and merger

hurt black and

groups allege

black and Latino students and parents.

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Party at Florian to aid 3 year old

Battles cancer



Aidan Collins "Typical boy," Mom says

guests — and they just love him, says his mother

Reporter's Notebook

Rep. Moran on redistricting: He'll focus on Eighth's majority-minority numbers

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By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS **News Editor**

The Massachusetts House's redistricting chief is keeping a keen eye on the Eighth Congressional District.

State Rep. Michael Moran, a Brighton Democrat who is helping lead the effort to redraw the state's political fault lines, dropped in announced at



Rep. Michael Moran

727,514 each.

taining majority-minority power

in the Eighth, a district currently

represented by Congressman Michael

Capuano (D-Somerville) that includes

Massachusetts is due to lose one of

its ten Congressional seats, with the

2010 Census showing that populations

in other states are growing faster than

the Bay State's. Instead of ten districts

of about 635,000 residents, Moran and

his state Senate counterpart, Stanley

Rosenberg (D-Amherst), will have

to draw up nine districts of about

is the decline in Suffolk County of

some minorities - black and African-

American numbers fell by 1.2 percent

and an increase for others -- white

resident numbers rose by 12 percent.

Suffolk County, comprising Boston,

Chelsea, Winthrop, and Revere, falls

into three Congressional Districts: the Eighth, the Seventh (represented by

Ed Markey), and the Ninth (repre-

"It's something I have my eye on,"

Moran told the minority-backed coali-

tion at the meeting at the Boston Public

Library's Grove Hall branch. Several

in 2001 didn't end well: Then-House

Speaker Thomas Finneran was

indicted for perjury over a plan critics

said diluted minority voting power, a

charge the Mattapan Democrat angrily

denied. He later pleaded guilty to

Moran promised an open process,

saying March will feature the kick-off

of 12 public hearings, likely on Monday

evenings and Saturday mornings,

through to the end of June. There will

also be a website, he said, with old

obstruction of justice.

maps and case law.

The state's last redistricting effort

dozen activists were in attendance.

sented by **Stephen Lynch**).

Complicating matters in Boston

parts of Dorchester and Mattapan.

such thing. "The secretary and I may not see eye to eye on some things," he said with a smile. Congressman Lynch remarks on 'beatable' Brown, a Saturday meeting of the Mas-

'bionic' Menino Congressman Lynch can't get away from the **Scott Brown** question. The South Boston Democrat was asked again – on Channel 5's Sunday chat show, "On the Record," – if he will be among the candidates running to replace Brown, who is up for re-election in 2012 after winning a special election to replace the late Edward Kennedy

asked about a rumor that Secretary of State William Galvin has his own

map. Moran said he hadn't seen any

Lynch told the show's hosts Ed Harding and Janet Wu that he isn't yet focused on 2012. "I think that's just too far away at this point," he said.

Asked if Brown is unbeatable, as Mayor Menino once described the Wrentham Republican, Lynch said, "I think anybody's beatable. You know, I think it depends on what is happening when voters go to pull that lever or slide that sheet in to vote in November of 2012. Which is a long way off, so a lot of things can happen between now and then.

Lynch acknowledged that he expected a "roomful" of Democrats to run for the seat.

According to Gov. Deval Patrick, at least four are potentially in. Patrick told the National Journal's Jim O'Sullivan that he has talked with Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll, City Year founder and former Senate candidate Alan Khazei, unsuccessful lieutenant governor candidate Bob Massie, and Newton Mayor **Setti Warren.** "Kim is not in; she has not made up her mind, but I know she's thinking about it seriously. But Alan and Bob and Setti are in, for sure," Patrick told O'Sullivan.

Congressman Capuano is also reportedly weighing a run.

On Channel 5, Lynch was also asked if he had any interest in running for mayor if Menino, who is serving his fifth term, retires. "Tom Menino will never retire," Lynch quipped. "He's got so many bionic parts now, that he's actually - he's good for another fifty years.

Henriquez, Menino administration officials are on El Planeta power list

Two months into his freshman term, state Rep. Carlos Henriquez has made El Planeta's Power 100 list. The state's largest Hispanic newspaper named the Dorchester Democrat, who replaced former state Rep. Marie St. Fleur last fall, and others in state and city government, as the Bay State's other strata.

Others on the list include Gov. Patrick, Mayor Menino, City Councillor At-Large **Felix Arroyo**, Menino's "closest Latino advisor," **Enerio** "Tony" Barros, U.S. Attorney Carmen Ortiz, state Rep. Jeffrey Sanchez of Jamaica Plain, Boston Schools Superintendent Carol Johnson, Barbara Ferrer, commissioner of the Boston Public Health Commission. and Ralph De La Torre, the head of the Steward health care system. State Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, who represents the Second Suffolk District in the state Senate, made the list for the fourth time.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Check out updates to Boston's political scene at The Lit Drop, located at dotnews.com/ litdrop. Material from State House News Service was used in this report.

On The Record

Rising star meets Venus



Rueben Bailey of Dorchester, right, met tennis star Venus Williams at the Sun Life Rising Star Awards national summit in Miami last weekend. Bailey, who was nominated for the trip by City Year Boston, was joined by Brighton's Mattaya Fitts, left, and 19 other outstanding students from across the country to meet with an all-star line-up of professional athletes, front-line nonprofit organizations serving at-risk youth, corporate leaders and nationally recognized educators at Sun Life Stadium. They discussed education issues affecting Photo courtesy Sun Life Financial high school students.

Summer job applicants must apply by Friday

Boston families and teens who want to register for job opportunities through the Mayor's Hopeline must do so by Friday, March 4. The Hopeline has already received 6,259 applications since registration opened on February 1. Last year, the program employed nearly 10,000 Boston teens. The majority of teens work as camp counselors, tutors and mentors placed in nonprofit organizations that serve younger children through camps, sports and enrichment programs.

The Hopeline is the only application process for the City of Boston Summer Jobs Program. Applicants must be a full-time resident of Boston, 15 years-old on or before July 4, 2011 and cannot turn 18 years old, on or before August 12, 2011. Register 24 hours a day online at bostonyouthzone.com/ by clicking on the Youth Fund/Hopeline link.

DA: Woman killed boyfriend in apartment

A 29 year-old Dorchester woman was charged with murder on Monday for allegedly stabbing her boyfriend to death in her Franklin Field apartment on Friday, Suffolk County District Attorney Daniel F. Conley announced. Cherry Clinton is charged with the murder of 23 year-old Lancelot Reid, whom Boston Police found suffering from a fatal stab wound after they were called to the scene by a 911 call. Judge Kenneth Desmond ordered that Clinton be held without bail.

Prosecutors say Clinton admitted hat she stabbed Reid, adding later that he had assaulted her earlier that day and that she armed herself with a knife when he returned to the apartment. Reid "ran into" the knife that she held in her hand, Clinton claimed. Clinton is due back in court on March 31. SafeLink, a statewide domestic violence hotline, can be reached at 877-785-2020.

Meeting set to discuss trolley noise

A follow-up meeting with the MBTA regarding noise from the Ashmont-Mattapan trolleys will take place on Wednesday, March 23, 6:30 PM, at All Saints Church Hall, 209 Ashmont Street. For more information, contact Senator Hart's office at 617-722-1150.

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He hopes to have a redistricting map done for the Massachusetts House done by November, and for all the other maps - state Senate, Congress, and the Governor's Council – to be done several months after that. He is "fully expecting lawsuits," Moran added, noting that many states were hit with lawsuits after redistrict-

ing ten years ago. Asked by one attendee what influence members of Congress and Boston Mayor **Thomas Menino** will have on the process, Moran said, "They have a

voice just like you." Hassan Williams, a Roxbury resident who unsuccessfully ran for the Second Suffolk Senate seat last year,

Dbar's head chef in running for Food & Wine honor

By RACHEL ZARRELL SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

In a poll of the country's best new chefs by Food & Wine magazine, dbar's head chef Chris Coombs is in a tight race to win the New England title, the prize being a spread in the magazine's July

The winners of the poll was to be announced Tuesday night, with four out of the ten names on New England's list hailing from Boston. Co-owner and head chef of the South End's Coppa, Jamie Bissonnette, is leading, with Coombs coming in a close second, as of Tuesday. None of



Chris Coombs of Dbar: In the running with nine other chefs.

the eight other chefs had earned more than 5 percent of the vote.

Besides his contribution to turning dbar into a neighborhood favorite, Coombs is also head chef

and part-owner of the Back Bay's Deuxave, which offers Americaninspired French cuisine. For him, winning the poll and being featured in Food & Wine, which has

a circulation of just under a million readers, could "slingshot [his] career to the next level," as well as garner "much-needed attention" for Dorchester restaurants.

"We all work very hard in this business and very few of us are ever fortunate to gain the recognition or the title of Best New Chef," he said. "My team and I have worked incredibly hard to strive for perfection tirelessly every day, day in and day out. It's nice that that has become recognized."

As for his competitor, the former "Chopped" contestant had nothing but kind words to say about Bissonnette.

"I think he's a tremendously talented chef," Coombs said. "Just the fact that my name is mentioned in the same breath as his is in an honor in itself."

Coombs has had a love for cooking since he was a kid, and got his first job at the age of 12, working at a seafood restaurant. In 2002, he was hired at Blue Ginger at 17, the same year the restaurant won the James Beard award-to foodies, a prize equivalent to an Oscar.

Retired food editor and Savin Hill resident Peter McNamara, who has been Coombs' mentor for five years, said Coombs deserves to win for being a relative unknown, whereas Bissonnette is a recognizable owner and chef.

"After four years of being in Dorchester, he's finally getting recognized for the quality of his food," he said.

Among his praise for Coombs, McNamara gave two reasons he deserves the title: "First, Chris is really talented; I love seeing young talent in the Boston area. But second, [dbar] is in my neighborhood – it's so wonderful to have a place you can go eat."

The Butcher Shop gets green light for sit-down breakfasts, lunches

By BILL FORRY Managing Editor

A popular Adams Corner market that opened in November 2009 has won city approval to serve sit-down breakfasts and lunches. The Butcher Shop, which has become a destination for fine Irish and Italian meat products, debuted its 19-seat restaurant — Mrs. Murphy's Kitchen on Feb. 21.

Owner Alan Gibson said that the business plan for The Butcher

Shop always envisioned hearty Irish breakfast. sit-down service, but first they had to secure a common victualler license from the city -ahurdle finally cleared last month.

Owner Alan Gibson says that even before Monday's opening of the restaurant, he was fielding phone calls from customers eager for a new breakfast option in the village.

Mrs. Murphy's will feature one of the staples of any Irish eatery— a They'll also churn out corned beef hash and eggs, steak and eggs, and a dish Gibson calls "the mother of all omelettes."

The month of March, of course, will feature a heavy trade in that Irish-American holiday favorite, corned beef.

"We have 3,000 pounds of corned beef to sell and it is our own brand as well. We buy the briskets and cure it ourselves, and we also cure our own Irish boiling bacon and

hams," says Gibson.

"It's been a tremendous response from the neighborhood," says the native of Co. Sligo. "And people are also traveling long distances to come here from Cape Cod and New Hampshire. We're becoming well known because 90 percent of everything we do is done in house. We specialize in fresh products. People like to watch you cut fresh meats in front of them and see the butcher doing the work as they're



The gang at The Butcher Shop. Photo by Ed Forry

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Complaint: BPS closings hit black, Latino students

(Continued from page 1) ages of white students in areas such as West

and Brighton, according to the Department of

Roxbury, Roslindale, Education's summary of the complaint.

According to LCCR

staff attorney Rahsaan Hall, "We are not sug-

gesting that the District continue to blindly pour money into schools that have been identified as failing. However, we are concerned that the burden of making these improvements overwhelmingly falls on

the backs of black and

brown children in the city."

In a statement issued Monday, Boston School Superintendent Carol Johnson responded that, "the truth is, the schools slated for closure were selected because they are among the lowest chosen by families, have been struggling academically, or are in facilities that are not up to par. Furthermore, we are expanding choices in higher-performing schools and turning around underperforming schools in the very communities in question. We would be doing a great disservice to continue to serve young people in these schools when we have better options available. Frankly, it

Among the examples of alleged bias toward

status quo."

would be more appropri-

ate for us to be questioned

of wrongdoing had we

chosen to maintain the

whites cited by the two groups was the decision by school officials to remove the Clap Elementary School from the closure list.

Kenny Jervis, a parent at the Clap School, said he is "disgusted" at the allegation the school was kept open to protect whites.

Jervis, who has two children at the school, said its demographics reflect the surrounding neighborhood and that it is a rarity among Boston elementary schools because it is racially diverse. He said the Clap is actually a rarity among Boston schools because it is ethnically diverse: 81 students are black or Hispanic, 56 white, and 7 mixed or other.

And he said rather than criticizing the way the Clap was kept open, people should be looking to it as a model for how to preserve and enhance public schools. He noted the school's designation will mean a lot of work for parents - to start, the school gets a new principal and all the teachers will be replaced. But parents also agreed to help the school get the community more involved - for example, through programs with the nearby University

of Massachusetts and Dorchester Historical Society.

Mayor Thomas Menino argued for the closure plan in December, saying more than 5,600 classroom seats in Boston are empty, costing taxpayers \$20 million a year.

At a Dec. 14 breakfast hosted by the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, Menino also pushed for four major changes to the city's contract with teachers: permitting principals and headmasters to move teachers into classrooms that are more suited to their skills, linking teacher compensation to student performance, extending the city's school day and tying teacher evaluations to student achievement.

Menino described school transportation costs as another growing and prohibitive expense, costing \$300,000 perday, and said Superintendent Johnson would work to develop a new "student assignment zone plan that preserves choices for parents and cuts costs for taxpayers."

Adam Gaffin of Universal Hub contributed to this report for the Re-

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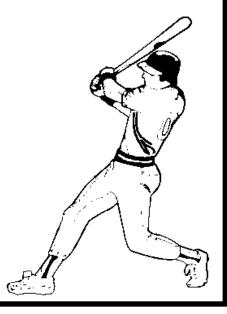
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Walsh on front lines of local labor disputes

By Mike Deehan SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

As protests over the role of public sector labor unions heat up across the country, a panel of experts, including Dorchester State Representative Martin Walsh, took part in a discussion of how the collective bargaining system works in Massachusetts.

The Harvard Kennedy School's Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston hosted last Wednesday's panel, which in addition to Walsh, featured state Transportation Secretary Jeffrey Mullan and MIT professor Thomas Kochan. Mullan represented the "management" viewpoint, while Walsh, in his capacity as the president of the **Boston Building Trades** Council, spoke on behalf of the unions.

Much of the discussion focused on the labor negotiations surrounding the consolidation of several state transportation entities into the unified Massachusetts Department of Transportation (DOT). Referred to by the panelists as



Rep. Martin Walsh

the "grand bargain," the agreement between the state and labor allowed several labor organizations, sometimes with overlapping jurisdictions, to form groups to better negotiate with management.

Consolidating many of the transportation agencies would have resulted in "draconian wage cuts" between the former Highway and Turnpike departments, Kochan said.

A 1,500-member strong coalition of unions banded together to negotiate with Mullan and agreed to move beyond issues of jurisdiction and find compromise. Kochan said the groups'

breakthrough came in to collective bargaining the form of an equity fund that aligned the interests of both parties and opened the way for an agreement.

Mullan called the negotiations "fairly ugly and at times extremely personal."

Walsh said he did not support the consolidating because the bill lacked language that would have protected unions, but he worked with legislative, union and transportation officials to move negotiations forward.

Protests in Wisconsin, where Gov. Scott Walker has moved to eliminate mandatory collective bargaining for public sector unions, have reverberated across the nation and brought the matter of collective bargaining to the top of the political agenda in many states.

The day before Walsh took part in the Harvard panel, he appeared at a pro-union rally held outside the State House. When asked by the State House News Service if there could be a threat rights in Massachusetts, Walsh said no.

"We[inMassachusetts] support people, middle class Americans, who go to work everyday. We support then. The unions negotiate contracts like it's supposed to be done," Walsh said. "Most of the time here on Beacon Hill the Legislature and the Governor... will work with the labor unions," Walsh added.

"What's happening in Wisconsin is so disrespectful for working class people," Walsh said.

Walsh added that Tea Party-affiliated counter-protesters set up across Beacon St. from the pro-union rally were benefiting from the wages and fights won by labor groups.

Kochan used last year's battle over the Boston Firefighter's contract as an example of effective negotiations that later face rejection by the public. Kochan said former City Council President Michael Ross's political courage was a factor in coming to a resolution with the firefighters.

House Speaker Reobert DeLeo recently named Walsh as the chair of the House Ethics Committee. The Dorchester democrat and long-time labor advocate also began a new second job as the Building Trades

Council's secretarytreasurer and general agent earlier this year.

Union membership declines in Mass

Union members accounted for 14.5 percent of wage and salary workers in Massachusetts last year, down from 16.6 percent in 2009, according to federal data released Tuesday.

It was the lowest Bay State union membership rate since 2007, when unions eclipsed membership rates from the late 1990s.

The data, released by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, showed 415,000 union members in Massachusetts last year, down from 476,000 in 2009 but up from a modern low of 379,000 in 2007.

Union members accounted for 11.9 percent of employed wage and salary workers in the United States during 2010, according to the bureau, with 31 states, including Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, below the U.S. average.

States with union membership rates above 20 percent last year included New York, Alaska and Hawaii.

Several states in the South posted union membership rates of less than 5 percent, including Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee and North Carolina, which registered the lowest union membership rate, 3.2 percent.

According to the bureau, about half of the nation's 14.7 million union members live in six states: California, New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio and New Jersey.

The data was released amid national debate over Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker's plan to vastly scale back collective bargaining with public employee unions, which has fueled discussions over the role of unions, workers rights and the ability of states to afford worker benefits.

STATE HOUSE **NEWS SERVICE**

BPL facing \$580,000 shortfall as budget-call times draw near

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS News Editor

The Boston Public Library is staring at a \$580,000 gap in its budget under expected funding levels from the city and the governor's budget, library officials said last week.

Options that the library system's board of trustees may have to consider include closing the central library in Copley Square on Sundays, and closing up to four branches, as they had attempted to do last year.

Mayor Thomas Menino's administration backed off a proposal to close the branches, including the one in Lower Mills, after community outcry and an agreement by state lawmakers to send \$350,000 to keep the libraries open through the rest of the fiscal year, which ends June 30.

For fiscal year 2012, Gov. Deval Patrick has set aside \$2.4 million for the library, when \$3.9 million is needed to keep all the facilities open, library officials said.

The library system's overall budget has fallen to \$40 million in fiscal year 2011, from \$48 million in fiscal year 2009. The budget is fed by city and state funding, as well as trust funds, donations, and some federal funds.

Other options library officials presented to trustees include reducing the number of hours at branches, and reducing additional book purchases for circulation.

"If we don't get the governor's funding, all of these options would have to re-examined, in any case," Boston Public Library president Amy Ryan said at a trustees meeting last week. She stressed that the figures aren't final and are subject to change. "They could go up, they could go down.'

Closing between one and four branches would save between \$250,000 to \$1.5 million, while closing the central library on Sundays would save approximately \$250,000 from October through May, according to the BPL.

The library has to submit its budget recommendations to the city by the end of March. That comes before the House and Senate are expected to release their budget versions and come to an agreed-upon bill to send to the governor for his signature in the summer.

Menino has written to the chairman of the House budget-writing committee, Rep. Brian Dempsey of Haverhill, requesting the \$3.9 million for the 26-library system. That figure would be an increase of \$1.1 million from fiscal year 2011, Menino noted, but the request would still come under 50 percent of the

fiscal year 2009 levels. "Statutory funding levels would allow the BPL to maintain its current level of service – keeping all 26 branches and Copley open, maintaining Sunday hours at the Central Library, filling critical vacancies systemwide, and initiating a state-wide digital library and repository," he wrote in a letter dated Feb. 15.

The letter also outlines his requests for local aid, the passage of a municipal health care bill, and assistance in the city's efforts to combat homelessness.

State Rep. Byron Rushing, whom Menino appointed to the board of library trustees last year, asked library officials for a longer list of options.

Asked about library closures after the meeting, Rushing said, "I don't see any reason to do that unless we come up with a plan of better ways we can be servicing neighborhoods.^{*}

Paul La Camera, a fellow trustee, said he was reluctant to consider closing the central library on Sundays when it is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Officials say the library is usually busy that day and full of families and tourists. Keeping it open on Sunday is "part of what makes us a world class city," La Camera said.

The public is invited to "budget roundtable" discussions that will be held on Tues., March 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Central Library in Copley Square and the next day, March 16, at the Codman Square branch, also from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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Arts & Entertainment

Students to enjoy Hansel and Gretel at the Strand Theatre on Wednesday



Actors Frank Ward, Jr., center, Meredith Hansen and Nicole Rodin perfrom in a scene from the Boston Lyric Opera's "Hansel and Gretel", which will be staged at the Strand Theatre on March 9.

Photo courtesy BLO

By Chris Harding SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Next Wednesday, over a thousand students are expected to fill the Strand Theatre for two school performances of the opera "Hansel and Gretel," presented by Boston Lyric Opera (BLO). At both the 9:45 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. shows, a few lucky youngsters from the audience will have the opportunity to get up on stage to play the parts of the gingerbread children magically brought back to life by the intrepid brother and sister duo.

This easy-to-follow and colorful show is a lively retelling of the Brothers Grimm fairy tale, with the classic score by Engelbert Humperdinck,

incorporating several German folk tunes. In this well-known adventure, siblings Hansel and Gretel are sent into the woods to find food. During their search, they encounter various magical creatures, the hungry witch and her candy house, and an opportunity to prove themselves and rescue other children.

Professional costumes, sets, lighting and puppets coalesce to convey a full theatrical experience. Audiences will cheer the joyful family reunion and leave humming the catchy tunes!

Each year, BLO's season includes a fully staged, one-hour version of a popular opera accompanied by a live pianist and sung in English for school children and families. BLO provides complimentary study guides and performance previews to accompany each production, which enhance the overall experience for school children, educators and families.

In previous years BLO has presented school and family performances of "The Magic Flute" and "The Barber of Seville" at the Strand, all of which were well received.

For "Hansel and Gretel", BLO's Education & Community Programs Manager Julie House has offered free tickets to local Boston Public Schools, Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy and

other schools.

House notes "Hansel and Gretel' is an excellent opportunity for children, their classmates and their families to discover how fun opera is. Families can also make new memories and start new traditions together. One of the best things about this program is that it is a great experience for all ages."

Parents who want to take their kids to see the show should head to Wheelock Family Theatre, 200 the Riverway this weekend. There are performances at 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm on both Saturday, March 5 and Sunday, March 6.

More details at blo.org/ schools.

Boston Ballet to stage free shows

Boston Ballet will present two free performances featuring Boston Ballet company dancers, Boston Ballet II dancers, and Boston Ballet School students at the city-owned Strand Theatre next month.

The two shows on Friday, March 11 will include an 11 a.m. performance just for Boston Public School students and a second, 7 p.m. show for the general public. The 7 p.m. performance is free and will feature performances by Boston Ballet company dancers specially prepared for this one-night-only

"Boston Ballet is thrilled to make our second annual performances at The Strand Theatre," said Boston Ballet Artistic Director Mikko Nissinen. "Boston Ballet is ever-proud to be the city's ballet company, and our deep roots in the community continue to grow through our extensive outreach programs and our mission for excellence and access to the art form of dance. We look forward to celebrating the Dorchester community with the Mayor's Office on March 11."

The Strand Theatre is located at 543 Columbia Road in Dorchester.

"It is important that our youth are given the opportunity to learn about dance through a productive and healthy form of self-expression," said Mayor Menino.

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Ongoing — The Boston Public Library's Homework Assistance Program mentors are available at the branch Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. when Boston Public Schools are in session.

ADAMS STREET BRANCH LIBRARY Thursday, March 3, 11 a.m. - Babysing - Winter

Friday, March 4, 9:30 a.m. – Playgroup Open, drop-in playgroup during the cold winter months.

Monday, March 7, 6 p.m. - Chi Gong Every Monday except holidays.

Tuesday, March 8, 10:30 a.m. - Reading Readiness– Winter Session Reading

4 p.m. - Guys Read and GRLS (Girls Reading Literature Society)

Thursday, March 10, 11 a.m. - Babysing - Winter

Friday, March 11, 9:30 a.m. Playgroup Open. Monday, March 14, 2 p.m. - Crown of a Thousand Years Films Monday March 7, Beckett (1964, 148 min.) with Peter O'Toole & Richard Burton Church and state war for supremacy in the persons of Henry II and Thomas Beckett. Monday March 14, The Lion in Winter (1968, 134 min.) with Peter O'Toole & Katharine Hepburn. 6pm Chi Gong Every Monday except holidays. Chi Gong is a gentle exercise practice incorporating controlled breathing techniques, mind and body balance. It is said to improve blood circulation, reduce stress and enhance concentration, coordination, flexibility and balance. Free and open to the public. No registration required

CODMAN SQUARE BRANCH LIBRARY Friday, March 4, 10 a.m. – Tots storytime.

11 a.m. - Pre School Films.

3 p.m. – Game Day. Monday, March 7, 6 p.m. Family Film Night. Tuesday, March 8, 11 a.m. – Preschool Storytime. Friday, March 11, 10 a.m. – Tots storytime. 11 a.m. – Pre School Films.

3 p.m. – Game Day.

FIELDS CORNER BRANCH LIBRARY Tuesday, March 8, 3 p.m. - Drop in Craft

Wednesday, March 9, 10:30 a.m. - Preschool

Thursday, March 10, 4 p.m. - Girls Reading Literature Society.

GROVE HALL BRANCH LIBRARY Monday, March 7, 1:30 p.m. - ESL Conversation Group

MATTAPAN BRANCH LIBRARY Friday, March 4, 11 a.m. - Preschool Films Short.

4 p.m. - Teen Game Time Board games. Wednesday, March 9, 10:30 a.m. - PreSchool Storytime.

Friday, March 11, 11 a.m. - Preschool Films. 4 p.m. - Teen Game Time.

UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH LIBRARY

Thursday, March 3, Guys Read makes reading come alive for pre-teen boys. Beginning in March Guys Read book clubs meet every other week with graduate English students from UMASS Boston acting as mentors and leading discussions. Guys Read, the brainchild of award winning children's author Jon Scieszka, emphasizes that reading is a fun and social activity. The books selected for Guys Read include graphic novels and chapter books featuring characters in comical or suspenseful situations.

Tuesday, March 8, 10:30 am – Family Storytime. Wednesday, March 9, 10:30 a.m. - Pre-School Storytime.

Tuesday, March 15, 10:30 a.m. - Family Storytime.

Wednesday, March 16, 10:30 a.m. - Pre-School Storytime.

Thursday, March 17

4pm Guys Read makes reading come alive for pre-teen boys. Beginning in March, Guys Read book clubs meet every other week with graduate English students from UMASS Boston acting as mentors and leading discussions. Guys Read, the brainchild of award winning children's author Jon Scieszka, emphasizes that reading is a fun and social activity. The books selected for Guys Read include graphic novels and chapter books featuring characters in comical or suspenseful situations.

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News about people in & around our Neighborhoods

Spring's surest sign: Ice Creamsmith re-opens for 35th year

The Ice Creamsmith, the landmark homemade ice cream parlor in Dorchester Lower Mills, began its 35th year in business on Tuesday as it opened for the season. Owners Dave and Robyn Mabel will mark the milestone by anniversary by holidng a daily drawing for a free ice cream sundae throughout the month of March. Other promotions are planned for April and May. Fans can keep up with the events on the web at www. theicecreamsmith.com and on Facebook.

The store at 2295 Dorchester Avenue is a family business. All of the ice cream, frozen yogurt and sorbet sold at the shop is made on the premises, and ice cream cakes, pies and pizzas are also available. For the first three years the ice cream was made in the front window using the old ice-and-salt method, but as production increased they switched to a more modern batch freezer downstairs.

Besides the thirteen flavors on the menu, including special monthly flavors, there are also a number of "mixin's" that can be hand-mixed into an ice cream portion to create a special flavor. A sign in the shop boasts of having over 2000 flavors at any time, based on the number of combinations that can be created. There are also the usual ice cream concoctions, such as sundaes, frappes, banana splits, and the giant "Belt Buster" sundae. The Mabels thank their loyal customers for The Ice Creamsmith's 35 years of success, and plan to continue serving their "delicious homemade ice cream in a friendly, old-fashioned atmosphere."

Bubbles' Birthdays And Special Occasions By Barbara McDonough

Jean Harlow, (she of the platinum-blonde hair,) was born in Missouri on March 3, 100 years ago. Thompson's Island was granted to Dorchester on March 3, 1635. William Clapp, a tanner, was born on March 3, 1779. "Mr. Wizard," starring Don Herbert, began on March 3,60 years ago. The first issue of *Time* Magazine was dated March 3, 1923. Former President John Quincy Adams returned to Congress on March 4, 1830. On March 4, 1629, a charter was granted to the Dorchester Company. The first issue of *The Boston Globe* was printed on March 4, 1872. Five men were killed and six injured during the Boston Massacre on March 5, 1770. Rex Harrison was born in England on March 5, 1908. The Iditarod Sled Dog Race should begin on March 5 and should end on March 20.

South Boston was incorporated on March 6, 1804. The Fall of the Alamo happened on March 6, 1836-175 years ago. Michelangelo was born in Caprese, Italy on March 6, 1475. (His famous words at age 87: "Ancora Imparo" — "I am still learning.") National Pancake Week is observed from March 6 to 12. The Suez Canal opened to traffic on March 7, 1869. Mardi Gras is celebrated on March 8, which is Shrove Tuesday. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the 40 days of Lent, falls on March 9 this year. The Barbie Doll was introduced on Mar. 9, 1959. More than 800 million have been sold since then

Celebrities having birthdays are: Dean Stockwell, 75 on Mar. 5; Alan Greenspan, 85 on Mar. 6; Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, 67 on Mar. 6; Shaquille O'Neal, 39 on Mar. 6; Rob Reiner, 64 on Mar. 6; Willard Scott, 77 on Mar. 7; and Emmanuel "Webster" Lewis, 40 on Mar. 9.

Those celebrating their birthdays are Bethany (Solletti) Lyons, Mary Coughlin, Bill Brett, Ann Tumilty, Kari (Finnegan) Rizzo, Sheila Lawn, Dotty Juliano, Stacy (Sweeney) Genduso, Larry Doherty, Brenda Kirby, Kristen McDermott, the Carney's terrific occupational therapist Judi Helman, Della Melchionda, Pam (Wallace) Evans, Fr. Don MacMillan, and Ann McGough.

Also observing their birthdays are Alysia Ramsey, John Morrill, Joseph Innocent, Doris Mullen, Mary Young, Stephanie Heavey, Teresa (Goode) Miller, Robert Butts, Della Costello, Mike Deehan, and Jody (Doherty) Bulman, Dick and Evelyn "Pam" White will celebrate their anniversary this week.



David Mabel, the co-owner of the Ice Creamsmith, re-opened on March 1 for its 35th year in business.

Four Dorchester residents have recently been named to the Dean's List at Boston University for the Fall semester. Students recognized for this honor include: Catherine E. Droser, Thien Tai T. Nguyen, Huong V. Phan, and Vanna K. Tran. Erica Cuevas, a resident of Mattapan,

Pruning workshops planned at local orchards

Boston Natural Areas Network has launched the Boston Orchard Program to provide support and education for the care and cultivation of Boston's fruit trees and orchards located on public lands throughout the City of Boston.As part of the Boston Orchard Program, Boston Natural Areas Network is partnering with the Food Project, the Boston Tree Party, and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation to produce two free pruning workshops

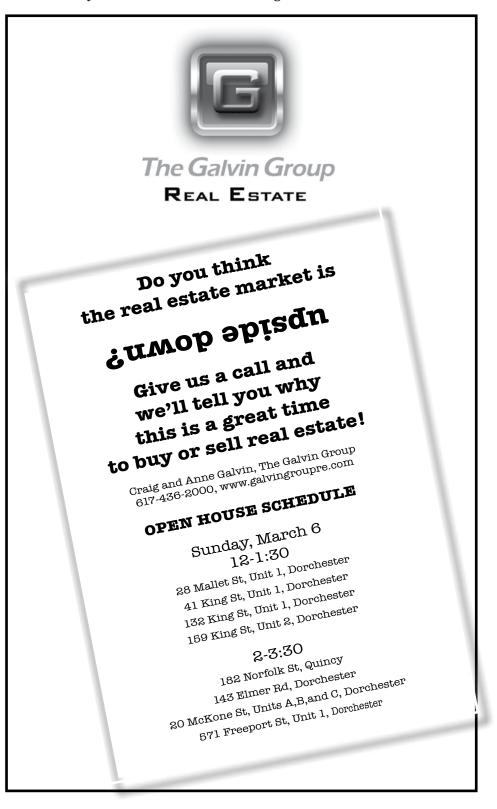
On Saturday, March 5, as part of the Food Project's Winter Workshop Series, John Bunker, Pomologist from Super Chilly Farm in Maine will provide pruning tips at the Shirley-Eustis House Orchard located at 33 Shirley Street in Roxbury. On Saturday March 12. Ben Crouch. sole proprietor of Jamaica Plain's Land of Plenty Gardens will provide more information about pruning at the Blake House Orchard located at 735 Columbia Road in Dorchester.

The free programs, begin at 10 a.m. Reservations are required. Contact BNAN at 617-542-7696 or info@bostonnatural.org.

was also named to the Dean's List at BU.

Joseph Kain, the son of Joseph and Carolyn of Dorchester, has been nominated for appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Academy. Kain is a senior at Catholic Memorial High School. Congressman Stephen Lynch submitted the nomination.

Newton Country Day SchooloftheSacredHeart senior Troi Jackson-Conn and sixth grader Ghiana Guzman each won gold dinstinction medals. Silver Distinction went to Dorchester junior Jolivia Barros and seventh grader Kianna Barbosa and to Mattapan sophomore Yasmin Francis and sixth grader Mariane St. Juste.



Editorial

MWRA owes **Lower Mills** answers – pronto

Merchants who do business in Lower Mills are very concerned about an expected disruption in their businesses later this year as the MWRA water pipe project begins tearing up the streets in the village.

The business people are correct to raise alarms, as the disruptions are sure to be a bother for merchants and residents alike. Neighbors recall the inconvenience last summer when Adams Street in Milton was closed off for months due to the construction in that town. Now, the project will emerge down Adams Street and across the Roper Bridge over the Neponset, and continue up Washington Street . Under plans revealed to the Reporter this week, the work will necessitate closing off streets for long periods during this year.

When the members of the Lower Mills Merchants Association (LMMA) gathered for their monthly meeting last week, they had expected to hear first from the MWRA. They were disappointed to learn the agency had postponed its commitment with a promise to return late this month.

Even before this week's details were made public, the merchants agreed that some questions needed to be asked of the MWRA, Lynda Watson of LMMA prepared a list of concerns, and the merchants group began circulating them this week. Here in Watson's words is a synopsis of the association's concerns:

General questions: What is the exact time line for

What will be the hours of operation? 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.? 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.? Where will equipment be located after hours?

Parking: What parking will be eliminated? Will there be designated parking for the construction workers? Off-site? Shuttle? Will there be alternative parking

Police Detail (local, state?): How many details will be present? Where will they be placed?

Traffic: Will sections of the street be completely closed? Hours? Any partial closures? Which direction? Where will traffic be directed? Will bus stops/routes be relocated (i.e. BatBus)? Delivery route (for merchant deliveries)?

Sidewalks: Which sidewalks will be dug up? Where? How long? Will there be ramps placed in front of businesses for access or will sidewalks be closed completely? Will sidewalks on Washington Street be replaced with bricks?

Signage: What signs will be posted? Where? Will

specific businesses be listed?

 $Remediation: Is there \, any \, possibility \, of \, compensation \,$ for loss of business during the project? Can we get street furniture (i.e. benches), public bathroom, plantings, permanent signage?

The questions are real concerns, as the work this spring and summer poses a real threat to the economic stability of the Lower Mills business district.

At the same time, neighbors in the area will likely see increased traffic activity on residential streets as pass-through traffic seeks alternate routes. There are large questions. For example, about access to the Shaw's market on River Street, as it appears that the intersection of River and Washington streets will be shut down for lengthy periods of time.

In nearby Neponset, the state Department of Transportation has received kudos for a well-designed traffic management scheme that has kept traffic moving through Neponset Circle while the bridge to Quincy is being rebuilt. That plan, which relies upon a heavy presence of state troopers keeping a watchful eye on motorists, seems to have worked quite well.

Let's hope the MWRA will learn from the Neponset experience and treat the Lower Mills project with the same sensitivity to the neighborhood's concerns.

- Ed Forry

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Tracking Joseph Rugo, his girls, and their Savin Hill three-deckers



Every weekday, Earl Taylor, President of the Dorchester Historical Society, sends via e-mail to his subscriber list old photographs from the neighborhood that are often accompanied by relevant historical information. Recently, he asked for photos of the legendary three-deckers that have dotted the Dorchester landscape for more than a century, $evoking\ the\ following\ response\ from\ Bob\ Rugo,\ a$ member of his e-mail group:

In the spring of 1923, my great grandfather, Joseph Rugo, who was a general contractor, applied for building permits to construct three-deckers at 20. 22, and 24 Hubbard Road, now called Hubbardston Road, in Savin Hill. His name appears on the permits as both the owner and the licensed builder; no architect is listed. His buildings, above, are the last three-deckers that are prominently visible at the top of the retaining wall along the Southeast Expressway, just north of Savin Hill Cove. The fourth three-decker on the street, 16 Hubbardston, closer to Savin Hill Avenue, was built four years later by someone else.

 $In\,December\,1922\,Mayor\,Curley\,awarded\,Joseph$ Rugo the contract to build the Motley School (now condominiums) on Savin Hill Avenue, located directly behind the land on Hubbard Road. In August of 1923, when Joseph wanted to add garages at the rear of each three-decker, he had to obtain permission from the state fire marshal because of their proximity to the new school.

My great-grandfather had immigrated to Dorchester from northeastern Italy in 1892, returning to Italy in 1897 to get married, then bringing his wife and first child (my grandfather) to Dorchester in 1899. The family lived in a succession of rented in a three-decker at 321 Norfolk Avenue; on Franklin Court, directly across the street

from 321 Norfolk; and on Piotti Place, then located off Franklin Court and now part of the Boston Edison/ NSTAR facility on Massachusetts Avenue — before Joseph bought a house at 173 Magnolia Street, just west of Uphams Corner, in 1908. He was living there when he built the Hubbardston Road three-deckers.

At that time he had an office at 80 Boylston Street, known as the Little Building, at the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets, overlooking the Boston Common. I used to visit my father and grandfather in his 8th-floor office there in the 1950s.

In 1923, Joseph had six children: three boys who worked in the family construction business and three daughters, ages 16 to 23, who were not yet married. Apparently he intended the three-deckers to be available as homes for his three daughters.

The eldest daughter, Emilia, married a retail store owner in Florence, Italy, around 1927-1928. They lived near a leather goods store in Florence that had been started by Guccio Gucci in 1920 after he had worked in England. Mrs. Gucci, who was British, enjoyed having an English-speaking neighbor with whom to have tea.

In 1938 the rise of Fascism in Italy caused Emilia, her husband, and their son to move to Boston, where they lived in one of the Hubbardston Road three-deckers. After her husband died in 1946, she moved to Wellesley.

The second daughter, Edith, was married around 1926 and lived in Dorchester on Larchmont Street in 1930 and on Fairmount Street in 1947. At that time she owned 20 Hubbardston Road, but apparently had never lived there.

The third daughter, Anna, lived with her older sister on Larchmont Street in 1930. She married in 1931 and moved to Newton. Apparently she never lived on Hubbardston Road

D.E.E.P. Essay

Superheroes among us

By Cullen Burke

When I woke up this morning, I could tell right away that something was different; I was different. I ran downstairs to tell my parents how I was feeling. I told my mom that I felt an urge to help people, like I needed to do some good for someone. My mom said, "That's great! Why don't you go out into the neighborhood, I'm sure there are plenty of people that could use your help."

As I was walking down Gallivan Boulevard, I noticed an older woman. I would guess she wasn't paying attention because she stepped right out into the busy street without looking. At that very moment, a car was coming right for her! I ran over to her as fast as I could and pulled her back onto the curb to save her from being hit. Saving her life made me feel like a superhero, like I was meant to be there to keep her from harm and it felt good. I knew I had to help some more.

I continued on my walk and came upon a group of people working on a playground for the children in the neighborhood. I didn't even ask, I just joined in and helped. Knowing that I was part of building the park made me happy. It felt good. I could see kids swinging on swings, laughing and having fun... and I helped make it happen. I walked a bit taller and felt like I was on top of the world.

When I got home, I asked my parents what I could do for them. They told me that I had made them proud everyday and that was enough. Today, I realized that you don't need super powers to be a superhero. There are everyday superheroes making people's lives better everyday, just by being themselves and putting others first. I really hope I wake up feeling that way every day.

Cullen Burke is a fifth grader who participates in Project D.E.E.P. (Dorchester Educational Enrichment Program).

Party at Florian to aid 3 year old

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Blakely and Collins have reconnected, many via Facebook, are chipping in to help with anything the family needs. A Dorchester fundraiser dubbed Aid 4 Aidan is set for Friday, March 18th at Florian Hall, the day before Aidan's 4th birthday. The family, which lives in Abington, has deep Dorchester roots: Jarrod's father grew up in the neighborhood and Lisa's family has called St. Margaret's parish home for generations.

According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information, Wilms tumor is the most common type of kidney cancer in children, with symptoms surfacing around age 3. The exact cause is unknown but genetics are believed to be a factor. Rare but treatable, Wilms tumor affects one in 200,000 to 250,000 children.

Since his diagnosis when he weighed 52 lbs., Aidan has dropped to 48 lbs.

"He can't even tolerate food," Blakely says of Aidan's reaction. In addition to radiation and chemo, he underwent a blood and platelet transfusion recently. Medication and hospital visits are routine now. The road is a long and difficult one and Blakely

is overwhelmed, she says, but Aidan smiles through everything.

"2010 was not a good year but 2011 will be better," she says.

Despite their trials, the family remains steadfastly positive. "[Aidan's doctors say] these are all normal things that happen and that he is doing good and I have to hold on to that every day," she says. "And as a mom, I'm looking for the day when they say your son is cancer-free."

The support they've received astonishes family members. A Dedham deacon contacted Collins's sister Jessica McDonagh and shared that he led the local congregation in prayer for Aidan and took up a collection for the family.

"I'm getting phone calls from people I've never even met," McDonagh says. Blakely is grateful, floored by the generosity of both loved ones and strangers.

"People are so good. It's just amazing, it's just absolutely amazing."

The family, which includes older brother Philip, older sister Marina and baby Bridgette, is buoyed by the outpouring of support for Aidan and their own positive outlook.



Aidan Collins

"It's truly amazing where you do find the strength 'cause you have to. You have to find it. It's the cliche but you truly have to take one day at a time," Blakely adds. "You don't know what's even gonna happen at suppertime, let alone tomorrow, and do the best you can."

Melissa Iskra, Blakely's sister, teamed up with McDonagh to diligently organize the March 18 fundraiser.

"Jessica and I have been working together along with our other family members, friends, and the community in which we live. It is just amazing how much love and support we are getting from everyone," she says. "We just want to give back and help them

out in any way that we know how. My sister Lisa would be the first person to help someone out in need. If you talk to anybody that knows Lisa, they will tell you the same thing."

McDonagh echoes Iskra's senti-

"They'd both be the first [to help others]. My brother would give you the last dollar in his pocket."

Aid 4 Aidan will include DJs Keith Levine and Joe Fassey, Irish step dancers from Clifden Academy of Irish Dance in Milton, and friend Jarrod MacDonald will perform. There will be a silent auction and raffle items including Celtics, Patriots and Bruins tickets, Chelsea Handler tickets, gift certificates to spas and restaurants, limo service, Madison handbags, a flat screen TV, fitness club memberships and more.

Tickets are \$25 and donations and raffle items are welcome. For more information, please contact Iskra by email at aiskra0415@comcast.net or McDonagh at jessica.mcdonagh@comcast.net. If you'd like to give directly, visit any Citizens Bank branch and make a donation to Account #1322384115, Aidan Collins.

Lawmakers, advocates blast proposed cuts to adult day health

By Colleen Quinn State House News Service

If the Patrick administration's proposed cut to adult day health service rates is adopted, Joseph Rizzo, owner of Accord Adult Day Care Center in Webster, says he will have to make a choice: eliminating the health care benefits for his 35 employees or shutter his business, leaving 55 elderly residents without care.

Ann Parris, a 90-year-old Dorchester resident, said that if she hadn't gone to the Kit Clark Adult Day Care Center every day, she "might be gone already" and noted she had no one else in her family to help care for her.

"Without Kit Clark, I would be lost. I pray every day they don't cut it," said Parris, who stood outside waiting to testify, leaning on a cane.

Hundreds of critics of the cuts, including lawmakers, showed up at a Thursday hearing held by the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy on a proposal to chop rates paid to adult day health providers beginning on March 15.

The administration has proposed cutting the daily reimbursement rate for basic adult day health services from \$53.93 to \$49.98 by March 15, a reduction that officials say would results in a \$3.3 million annual savings to the state. Lawmakers urged

officials from the Division of Health Care Policy and Finance to reconsider the imminent cut.

Rizzo and others facing the same dilemma also argued against Gov. Deval Patrick's plan to slash \$55 million from adult day health services next fiscal year, a proposal they said would force thousands of elderly and disabled residents out of community-based centers and into nursing homes. The governor proposed the cut last month to help close a \$1.2 billion gap between anticipated revenue and projected spending needs next fiscal year. Administration officials have described the recommended budget cuts as "painful."



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ASHMONT-ADAMS ASSOCIATION

Meeting on the first Thursday of each month (Mar. 3) at the Plasterers' Hall, 7 Fredericka St., at 7 p.m. Election of officers will be held. Councilor Felix Arroyo will speak.

ASHMONT HILL ASSOC.

Meetings are generally held the last Thursday of the month, Mar. 31, Apr. 28, May 26, and June 23) at 7:30 p.m. The Ashmont Hill Yard Sale, Sat., May 21. For info, see ashmonthill.org or call Message Line: 617-822-8178.

CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.

The monthly meeting, usually the second Tues. of each month (Mar. 8), 7 p.m., in Fr. Lane Hall at St. Brendan's Church. Info: cedargrovecivic.org or 617-825-1402.

CLAM POINT CIVIC ASSOC.

The meetings are held at the Boynton/Bay Cove Building on Victory Rd., at 6:30 p.m. Info: clampoint. org. The next meeting is on Mar. 14.

COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings the first Mon. of each month, 7 p.m., at the Little House, 275 East Cottage St. For info: columbiasavinhillcivic.org.

EASTMAN/ELDER STS. ASSOCIATION

Eastman/Elder Streets Neighborhood Association's meetings, the third Thurs., of each month (Mar. 17, and Apr. 21), 7 p.m., at the Uphams Corner Health Center, 636 Columbia Rd., across from the fire station (not the main health-center building). Info: 617-436-5754.



The Dorchester Youth Hockey Squirt A team won the district 1 championship on Feb. 21, defeating crosstown rivals Parkway 4-1. This win put them in the state tournament which is March 18 - 20. Pictured above (back row) l-r are Coach Charlie Pero, Cameron Mannion, Jack McCarthy, John Murray, Donovan Lamonica, Kevin Mannion, Brendan Donovan, Coach Danny O'Sullivan; (middle row) Matt Joyce, Donovan Mannion, Aidan Burke, Buddy Penella, Devin Kelley, John Joyce; and front: John Driscoll. Photo courtesy DYH Not shown is team member Mike O'Toole.

FREEPORT-ADAMS ASSOC.

Meeting the second Wed. of each month, 6:30 p.m., at the Fields Corner CDC office (the old Dist.

11 police station), 1 Arcadia St.

HANCOCK ST. CIVIC ASSOC.

The association meets at the Bird St. Community Center, 500 Columbia Rd., second floor classroom, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The next meetings are: Mar. 17, Apr. 21, May 19, and June 16. Info: hancockcivic@ vahoo.com.

MCCORMACK CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings the third Tues. of each month (Mar. 15) at 7 p.m., in Blessed Mother Teresa Parish Hall. Info: McCormackCivic.com or 617-710-3793.

MEETINGHOUSE HILL CIVIC

The monthly meeting, on the third Wednesday of the month (Mar 16), 7 p.m., at the First Parish Church. Info: 617-265-0749 or civic@firstparish,com.

MELVILLE PARK ASSOCIATION

Clean-up of the MBTA Tunnel Cap (garden at Shawmut Station), the first Sat. of each month, from 10 a.m. to noon. The next meeting of the MPA will be held on Mon., Mar. 28.

POPE'S HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

The next meeting will be held on Wed., Mar. 23, 7 p.m., at the Leahy/Holloran Communty Center, 1 Worrell St. The following meetings are on Apr. 27 and May 25.

PORT NORFOLK CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings usually the third Thurs. of each month at the Port Norfolk Yacht Club. Info: 617-265-5780.

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Meetings held the last Tues. of each month in the lower hall of St. Mark's Church, at 7 p.m. Info: stmarkscivic.com.

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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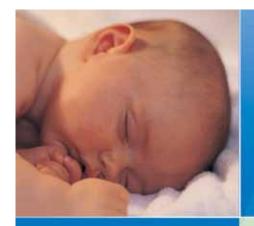
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ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

The 5th annual Chili Cook-Off, Sun., Apr. 10, 6 to 10 p.m., at the I.B.E.W. Hall. Advance tickets: \$15 for adults, \$25 for a family of four; at the door, \$20 per adult, \$30 for a family of four.

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Sixteen new charter schools approved

State education officials on Monday approved plans for 16 new charter schools that advocates said would create seats for 6,500 new students at Commonwealth charter schools and 1,200 spots for students at three new Horace Mann schools. Some of facilities are scheduled to open this fall, and the rest by 2012 in Boston, Chelsea, New Bedford, Salem and Springfield.

The state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education rejected plans for a 324-student K-8 Lynn Preparatory Charter School. The largest school to receive approval, law has already been the MATCH Community Day Charter Public School, is slated to open in Boston in the fall of 2011 and enroll a maximum of 700 students in grades kindergarten through 12. The approved schools date back to an original batch of 42 charter school prospectuses submitted for consideration during the 2010-2011 cycle.

"We are excited about the new educational opportunities these new charters would provide, but we are also wary that much of the additional space created by the education reform

consumed by this first round of new schools. If continued demand for new schools remains high, we will work with the Administration and the Legislature to reassess whether all caps should eventually be lifted on charter expansion," said Marc Kenen, executive director of the Massachusetts Charter Public School Association, in a statement.

Other new charter schools on track to open this fall include: The Bridge Boston Charter School, 335 students, K-8; Edward W. Brooke Charter School 2 in Boston, 475 students, K-8; Grove Hall Preparatory Charter School, Boston, 600 students, Grades 5-12; Boston Green Academy, Boston, 595 students, Grades 6-12; UP Academy, Boston, 500

students, Grades 6-8; New charter schools scheduled to open in the fall 2012 include:

KIPP Academy Boston Charter School, Boston, 588 students, Grades K-8; Excel Academy Charter School Boston II, Boston,

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Pipe project to disrupt Lower Mills

(Continued from page 1) February.

The project involves refurbishing a pipeline, built in the early 1900s, that distributes water for Milton, Quincy and the southeast corner of Boston. According to the MWRA, some sections of the pipeline are old and functioning at 50 percent capacity because of rust build-up and pocking along the pipeline's walls.

The first three phases, out of five total, are completed, including connections to the MWRA's new Blue Hills storage facility.

The agency says the project will extend the lifespan of the pipeline by 50 years and provide a back-up in case of a major water main break.

If the weather permits, the contractor may start work in Lower Mills next month, Convery said.

When asked about concerns over potential businesses closing, Convery said, "We will be working closely with everybody to ensure that doesn't happen."

When a street is closed, access will be provided to get to the businesses, she said. "When they get to River St. thev'll be able to get to Shaw's from Washington St.,' she added.

MWRA officials will be meeting with business owners on March 10 at Meetinghouse Bank, ahead of the merchants' association's regular monthly meeting on March 30, which MWRA officials were also slated to attend. Separately, MWRA officials are expected to appear before the Lower Mills Civic Association on March 15 in St. Gregory's auditorium at 7 p.m.

Dorchester's City Councillor, Maureen Feeney, whose district includes the impacted area, expects the project to be more disruptive than another project in her district - the repairs to the Neponset River Bridge - which has caused traffic back-ups. "It will have a tremendous impact," she said of the project, adding that it is federally mandated.

"There's no way around

She added: "It is just going to be ugly. There's no good news here other than it has to be done.'

State Rep. Linda Dorcena Forry, who is married to Reporter managing editor Bill Forry,

said that by working with merchants, neighbors, and the MWRA, "we'll be able to come up with some creative solutions."

"We do know that this work does need to be done," she added. "We have to figure out how to make this work."



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Barbara McDonough's

VIEW FROM POPE'S HILL

"Lo, sifted through the winds that blow,

The snow that fell Saturday overnight was quite a surprise. We figure that we received at least four inches. Daughter Jeanne called to say that her area received at least seven inches. I checked out our daffodils. I could just see the tips of their leaves over the snow.

I mentioned in last week's column what a great time Hubby, pal Eileen Burke, and I had at the Heart Health Tea and Fashion Show, at Carney Hospital, on Sun., Feb. 13. Almost everyone wore red. It was quite pretty as I looked across the room. Renie Smith looked great when she came in the room. I already mentioned that Nancy Lafoe, director of Community Partnerships and Mission at Carney, introduced each of the models during the fashion show portion of the tea. We first saw Hudson Carmody, and then Susan (McGahan) Lentini, Martha Robertson, Ruth Villard, Janice Ahearn, Claire Hughes, and cousin Julianna Horgan.

The next model was Peggy Anne Canty, a friend from Keystone. Peg is a retired RN from the Carney, a 15-year survivor of breast cancer, and co-chair of the Carney's Breast Cancer Support Group. She closely monitors her medication, keeps to a low-salt diet. and has lost weight. She avoided surgery, "allowing her to be here today to model her nurse's cape." Peg showed us her cape from 1951, when she became a member of the first class at Laboure. She also wore it at graduation in 1954. The next model was Chaun Renaud, from Dorchester, who works in the Department of Psychiatry. Chaun was one of 12 women chosen to represent the Go Red for Women campaign for Massachusetts in 2009. She has lost over 90 pounds due to healthy lifestyle changes. She says that she was inspired by the other women she met who also shared their heart-healthy stories.

The next model was Judy Tuttle, a 14-year breast cancer survivor who co-chairs the Breast Cancer Support Group with Peg Canty. A retired realtor, Judy volunteers for RSVP and at Carney. She has been married for 36 years to husband Charles. She has a daughter, Cara, a new son-in-law, Matt, and a son, Chuck She is active in the community and serves as treasurer for the Ashmont-Adams Neighborhood Associa-

Down comes the soft and silent snow." tion, She has significantly lowered her blood pressure, blood sugars, and cholesterol, with the added benefit of weight loss. Her daughter and son-in-law Matt were both heart patients at the age of four. They did not, however, meet until they were in college and discovered that they had the same cardiologist when they were little. They even incorporated a heart theme into their wedding.

The next model I know well: Christina Keefe, who worked with me at this newspaper. Christina is currently vice president of the Ashmont Hill Chamber Music Association, an organization that brings fine classical music to the homes and lives of the local community. She grew up in Winthrop and moved to Dorchester as a young bride. She and her husband Jim have lived on Ashmont Hill for more than 30 years where they raised four sons and restored their wonderful 1892 ColonialRevival home to its former glory. Their family loves Dorchester and all it has to offer. At the fashion show, Christina wore a red cocktail dress with matching red silk shoes. She wore the outfit to a New Year's Eve Party at the new Ashmont Grill. "Needless to say, my dance card was full. I can attest to the rumor that men really do love a woman in a red dress."

By George W. Bungay

The final two models, Jack Stabinsky and Penny Rhoades, both with multiple sclerosis, sat with us at our table. Both are residents at the Boston Home on Dorchester Ave. and are engaged to be married at the home later this vear. I told them that I was a good friend of Sister Bridget Haase, who works at the home. Jack has been at the Boston Home for four years and is on the Residents' Council. Last summer he began riding his wheelchair down Dorchester Ave. to Carney Hospital, where he would buy Dunkin' Donuts' coffee for his fellow residents. He would ask customers who had just paid for their coffee for their receipts, then go online and fill out a customer-survey form so that he could get one free donut for each survey for his fellow residents. He praises Ricardo and his staff at Carney's Dunkin' Donuts for being so kind to him. Jack is trying to get Dunkin' Donuts to donate a coffee machine to the Boston Home. Gay Vernon and Candy O'Terry, from radio station 106.7 FM,

 $are\,trying\,to\,get\,Dunkie's$ to provide the home with free coffee for the year or free coffee during the winter months.

Penny, Jack's fiancée. was born in Ontario. When she was six, she suffered third degree burns when her nightgown caught on fire while she was watching popcorn pop. (Her father picked her up and smothered the flames.) She went to Union Hospital where she received her degree in nursing and worked in the ICU. She was living in Marblehead when she was diagnosed with MS. She tried to live independently with the help of home aides, but they stole everything from her and even wrecked her van. She has been at the Boston Home for about two years. Jack proposed to her on New Year's Day. Last April, she became critically ill and went to Carney where she was placed in the ICU with kidney problems. Jack was awakened one night by a nurse telling him that Penny might die. He rode his wheelchair, in the dark, with the help of a CNA (certified nursing assistant), to Carney, where she was kept for 14 days. Both Jack and Penny rode their wheelchairs around the room to show that they, in their red shirts, were part of the Heart Health Tea. They were given a big round of applause. Nancy Lafoe also asked

a young woman named Alexandra to speak. Alex belongs to B.O.L.D., which stands for Breath of Life Dorchester. This group of teens, ages 14 to 18, addresses the health concerns of the neighborhood. Alex gave us pink stickers, which listed some of the active ingredients in cigarettes: acetone (nail polish remover), ammonia (a cleaning product), arsenic (a rat poison), butane (a lighter fluid), cadmium (found in batteries), formaldehyde (a substance to preserve bodily tissues, naphthalene (moth balls), and nitrobenzene (gasoline), among other ingredients. She urged people to stop smoking. If smokers saw this partial list of ingredients, I am sure they would stop smoking

Then Nancy invited Dr. Paul Boinay to the microphone. He is well known in our area for he is a respected cardiologist. (Hubby and I both know him because he is our cardiologist.) The doctor asked for questions and people were slow to respond. But when they heard how easy it was to ask a question of Dr. Boinay, they began asking more and more. Nancy's Mom, Carol Coleman, sang the praises of Dr. Boinay and Hubby

and I heartily agreed

with her. The doctor told us to take either eight ounces of water with an aspirin or at least some food with an aspirin. He urged people to walk 20 to 30 minutes, At the end of the tea, Nancy handed large plastic glasses from the Steward Health Care System to each of us. The insulated glass had a cover and even a small hole in the cover to insert

Every other month, I receive, in the mail, a beautiful magazine called (Bliss) Victoria. It has lovely articles and even great ads. The March/ April issue is particularly interesting since there is a huge article on Ireland. The first few pages are on Northern Ireland and Crom Castle. The next page shows the Belle Isle Estate in Fermanagh. There is a little piece on Colebrooke Park. Then we see the beautiful Muckross House. Kerry and Kenmare show a lovely Irish cottage with a peek at the sea in the distance. The article urges people to visit the Kenmare Lace and Design Centre. The facing page shows the inside of the elegant Park Hotel Kenmare, The next page shows a lovely view of Kinsale, photographed from a boat in the harbor. The article mentions that the last port of call for the Titanic was the village of Cobh, built on the largest island in Cork Harbour, The facing page shows the beautiful Castlemartyr Resort near the city of Cork. The final four pages focus on Dublin. The Merrion Hotel, in the heart of Dublin City features a world-class art collection.

ful article on the sights of Ireland is another one with an Irish theme. The following six pages focus on "Making Every Meal a Celebration," written by Betty Terry and featuring Darina Allen, Ireland's best known chef. Darina opened the Ballymaloe Cookery School in Shanagarry, County Cork. She uses mostly locally-grown products in her cooking. In the article there are recipes for White Soda Bread. White Soda Scones, and Spotted Dog-Railway Cake. Darina learned, after visiting the U.S., that the way to make American Soda Bread is to put two teaspoons of caraway seeds in the Spotted Dog recipe. Pick up Victoria Magazine. It is worth the \$5 cost of the magazine just to see the beautiful photos of Ireland. There are even additional photos of Ireland; go to: victoriamag,com. I checked this out and saw some lovely photos.

Following that wonder-

I loved this saying by Harriet Beecher Stowe: "Never give up for that is just the time and place that the tide will turn."

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Community Health News

Nutrition tips to help prevent or manage Type 2 diabetes

By Sharon Jackson SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Nineteen million Americans have diabetes, and nearly eight million more have the disease but don't know it. And the number is growing every year with more than 90 percent of diabetics having Type 2.

This condition has been closely linked to obesity and physical inactivity, but there's good news: Better nutrition and physical activity can help you to control Type 2 diabetes and may even prevent the disease from taking hold.

Food is the fuel of daily life - your body uses it to produce energy. With diabetes, the body has difficulty using food properly because it either fails to make enough insulin or doesn't correctly use what insulin it does produce.

Insulin is a hormone that helps convert food into energy, and diabetes makes it hard for the body to control blood sugar levels. When a person's diabetes is out

of control, the sugar rises and gets higher in the bloodstream, and is eventually spilled out into the urine. So instead of your body having the sugar energy source that it needs, the sugar leaves the body in the urine. This is why people whose diabetes is out of control may feel very hungry, tired, thirsty, and also need to urinate often.

Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of the disease. It usually appears after age 40, but more and more younger people, even children, are being diagnosed with the condition due to the fact that this form of diabetes is linked closely to obesity and physical inactivity two factors you can do something about.

During this National Nutrition month, it is good to remember that nutrition is key in the prevention and treatment of diabetes. In many cases, you can control Type 2 through better nutrition, weight loss, increased physical activity, and regular checkups with your health care team. What. when and how much you eat are all important factors in managing Type 2 diabetes. With the help of your registered dietitian or health care professional, you can develop and follow a meal plan based on your individual needs. While no single plan will work for everyone, the following general tips can help:

Follow a consistent meal plan and schedule.

Eat a balanced diet with a variety of foods, including fruits, vegetables, whole grain foods, low-fat dairy products, and lean meat, poultry, fish or meat alternatives. This will help keep your blood sugar levels steady.

Choose lower fat options and limit saturated fats.

Use sugar in moderation. Consider lower sugar options if available. Learn how to read

nutrition labels. Get your fiber. The American Dietetic Association recommends that all people eat 20-35

grams of fiber per day. Fruits, vegetables, beans and whole grain foods are good sources of fiber.

Drink plenty of water. Use less salt.

Get Active. Everyone knows that physical activity is good for your health. But it's especially important for people with Type 2 diabetes or those trying to prevent the disease.

Research has shown that along with healthy eating habits, regular physical activity helps the body to use insulin better, which helps to mitigate the symptoms -- or even reduce the risk -- of Type 2 diabetes. Physical activity has an insulin-like effect -- it can help lower blood sugar levels.

In addition to improving blood sugar control, decreasing the risk of diabetes, and maintaining overall good health, being active boosts brain activity, helps you deal with stress.

Some of you may be thinking "I have diabetes – so that means that I cannot eat sugar or sugar containing foods, right?" This is very wrong! Many studies have shown that old beliefs about sugar and diabetes may have been incorrect. Research nowshowsthatcandyand sweets don't raise blood sugar levels any higher or any more quickly than certain starches, such as white bread, white rice and white potatoes. So you can have starches, sugars, and sweets -- just be sure that you eat them in moderation. Most importantly, make sure that you eat a balanced diet so your body gets the nutrients it needs. Talk to your registered dietitian or health care professional about how much and when to include these foods in your plan.

To find a registered dietitian in your area to help you develop a balanced eating plan for your child, contact the American Dietetic Association at 800-366-1655 or go to eatright. org. Or - if you are reading this article, you probably live near the Mattapan Community Health Center, which has a registered dietitian/ certified diabetes educator who will be happy to help you design a meal plan to fit your needs. Just call 617-296-0061 and ask for Sharon to get started. Good luck, and bon appétit!

Sharon Jackson, MS, RD, is a Certified Diabetes Educator at the Mattapan Community Health Center





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Marr-lins Attend League

Championship Meet The members of the Marr-lin Swim Team joined up with the other 16 teams in the N.E.N.E.A.P.C. League to take part in the Championship Meet at U-Mass Boston. The team did very well, placing 4th overall. It took a great team effort to finish so high and we congratulate all of the team members who took part. The following 8 & under swimmers posted top times: Amanda Arcieri (25 Free, 23.60), Brendan Cadogan (25 Free, 28.59), Kaleigh Cadogan (25 Free, 23.22), Alison Cahill (50 Free, 43.37), Anna Cahill (25 Free, 33.00), Nia Cahill (25 Free, 36.22), Jason Casey (25 Free, 22.79), Sydney Denver (25 Breast, 35.90), Thomas Flaherty (25 Breast, 36.02), Eva Gannon (25 Free, 23.25), Gerard Gannon (100 IM,1:49.51), Mark Garside (25 Breast, 31.27), Eoin Gormley (25 Free, 23.12), Micheal Kerr (25 Free 21.51), Kate McGrath (25 Fly, 26.56), Allie Murphy (25 Breast, 24.88), Denise O'Donovan (25 Free, 22.18), Samantha Roszczenko(25 Free, 23.61) and Julieanne Stones (25 Free, 20.05). In the 10 &under age group the following swimmers posted improved times: Jasmine Burgos (50 Fly, 51.72), Nicholas Clements (50 Free, 46.68), Abigayle Crisman (100 Free, 1:20.13), Gavin Doherty (100 Free, 1:35.66), Maia Duarte (50 Back, 53.93), Dayna Finnigan (50 Free, 59.50), Audra Garvey (50 Free, 51.84), Lauren Hernandez (100 Free, 1:17.29), Brenna Kirby (50 Fly, 44.65), Casey MacKinnon (50 Back, 37.73), Clare McCarthy (50 Free, 37.75), Emma Murphy (50 Breast, 44.16), Regan Newell (50 Free, 49.58), Haley O'Brien (50 Free, 38.47),

Caitlyn O'Connor (50 Free, 38.47), Sarah O'Donovan (100 Free, 1:27.98), Emma Regan (100 IM, 1:42.67), Jesus Rodriguez (50 Free, 36.54), Kaeja Saucer (50 Free, 56.60), Victoria Smith (50 Fly, 45.90), Stephen Spencer (100 Free, 1:48.84), Zuzanna Stepnowski (50 Free, 54.89), Pennie Sullivan (50 Free, 42.24), Tyler Wright (50 Breast, 54.49) and Kevin Zarnoch (50 Back, 55.17). Our 12 & under swimmers posting top times include: Andrew Arcieri (50 Back, 58.23), Angela Bazzinotti (50 Breast, 49.03), Jackie Bertram (100 IM, 1:26.93), Abigael Brown (50 Free, 43.82), Christopher Cadogan (50 Free, 51.11), Kyle Casey (100 Free, 1:23.42), Nicole Casey (100 IM, 1:36.42), Kaileen Cotter (100 Free, 1:18.15), Sara Delaney (50 Free, 37.29), Olivia Fenton (50 Free, 38.67), Teresa Flaherty (50 Back, 48.69), Colleen Garside (100 Free, 1:22.17), Mitchell Garvey (50 Breast, 48.00), Benjamin Gomes (50 Breast, 49.48), Jessica Hernandez (50 Fly, 37.28), Elizabeth Johnson (100 Back, 1:33.73), Niamh Kerr (50 Breast, 44.61), Fiona McCarthy (50 Free, 33.31), Olivia McGrath(50Free, 31.52), Mishaliz Melo (50 Fly, 48.24), Emily Mischler (50 Free, 33.61), Maeve O'Brien (50 Back, 39.93), Danielle O'Driscoll (50 Breast, 48.53), Desmond O'Halloran (50 Breast, 41.33), Elaina Regan (100 IM, 1:30.98), Juan Rodriguez (50 Back, 42.66), Grace Scuzzarella (50 Fly, 34.41), Josiah Simcock (100 Free, 1:14.05), Samantha Smith (50 Breast, 40.80), Mateusz Stepnowski (50 Free, 46.00), Emily Suslowicz (50 Free, 35.68), Victoria Trojano (100 IM, 1:25.26) and Monica Woods (50 Breast 48.32). From the 14 & under division the following swimmers



Members of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester gathered at the Opera House where they attended "Mary Poppins." Our thanks to the Marilyn Rodman Theater for Kids program which provided the tickets for our members.

scored new best times: Anthony Alves (50 Free, 28.72), Emily Carvalho (100 Breast, 1:33.56), Shannon Casey (100 Free, 1:17.67), Kristen Fields (50 Free, 29.50), Courtney Garside (100 Back, 1:30.05), Joshua Johnson (100 Back, 1:10.52), Shane Kelly (100 Breast, 1:32.37), Paul Lafferty (100 Back, 1:40.85), Robert Lawless (50 Free, 41.12), Jake MacKinnon (100 Free, 57.37), Justyna Malek (100 Free, 1:11.49), Deirdre Newell (100 Fly, 1:34.39), Caroline O'Brien (100 Free, 1:21.97), Rachel O'Driscoll (100 Free, 1:01.78), Jack O'Halloran (100 Free, 1:17.78), Alyssa Ramsey (200 IM, 2:58.81), Evlyn Scuzzarella (100 Back, 1:13.66), Anna Sweeney (50 Free, 34.43), Olivia Trojano (100 Breast, 1:35.85) and Joseph Woods (50 Free, 28.63).



Members of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester taking part in Music Lessons in the Music Clubhouse. Members ages 10 & older are invited to utilize the Clubhouse for drop-in music, the lesson program, special events, and our upcoming Clubhouse Idol competition.

Lastly, our 17 & under swimmers led the way with these new best times: David Barry (100 Fly, 1:12.46), Martin Chomicki (100 Breast, 1:14.68), Nora Doherty (100 Back, 1:15.86), Aisling Kerr (100 Breast, 1:25.24), Samantha MacLean (50 Free, 41.14), Maeve McCarthy (100 Fly, 1:34.97), Mike Mc-Neil (200 Free, 2:34.19), Ciara Murphy (200 Free, 2:39.77), Sean O'Donnell (100 Free, 54.93) and Jessica O'Donovan (100 Free, 1:06.72). Congratulation to the Marr-lins. who will now be heading to the Regional Championship Meet in White River Junction in March. For more information on our Aquatic programs please contact Aquiles Gomes at 617-288-7120, ext. 2110.

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CLARK BOOTH ON SPORTS

Feeling sure about these Sox? Brush up on the '49 team

Welcome to the baseball season that need not be played, the conclusion being foregone. It's the year of Red Sox Nation's ultimate hegemony. Could a visit from Attila's Huns have been any more exciting?

Nothing blemishes the skies over Fort Myers; the waters of the Gulf have never been warmer. Your Town Team's manifest destiny was brilliantly affirmed in the very first utterances of the season's very first day with a majestic thrashing of mighty Northeastern, 13-2. It was merciless, raw, even Homeric; almost enough to appease the blood lust soon to rage among the cave dwellers of Fenway's centerfield bleachers.

Tradition alone obliges the necessity of a 162game season to confirm the inevitable. Is there conceivably a rotation remotely comparing with Lester-Buchholz-Beckett-Lackey & Matsuzaka? And to such wise guys as may suggest the Indians' 1954 cadre of Wynn, Lemon, Feller, Garcia, & Houtteman, bear in mind that four of them are dead and the fifth is nearing 90. As for the Townies' batting order --one thru nine -- comparisons even of the '27 Yankees are spurious. These Bashing BoSox don't have no banjo hitters like Jumping Joe Dugan and Bennie Bengough cluttering their glorious lineup.

Your 2011 Boston Red Sox cannot be beaten. This gospel truth rages across Florida's merry Grapefruit League scene from the Dry Tortugas to the steps of Castillo de San Marcos. Hank Steinbrenner is preparing a concession speech even as we speak. When he finishes taking his bows in November, Theo the Incomparable can re-direct his ungodly talents to a task more worthy of his brilliance, likebalancingthefederal budget or unscrambling the Middle East. Like Alexander the Great, Master Epstein will have conquered all of his known world well before the age of 40. It's altogether thrilling.

According to long-term observers, you may have to go all the way back to 1949 to find a Red Sox scenario brimming with more optimism in the very telling month of February. That was the year, of course, when a panel of a dozen baseball media experts -- captained by the nearly infallible Grantland Rice and commissioned, as I recall, by the then illustrious Look Magazine -- unanimously declared the pets to be certain to go all the way and win their first championship in 31 years.

And why not! To an all-star cast stung by a playoff defeat to Cleveland cheating them out of their just due in 1948, 'Daddy Warbucks' Yawkey, the spare-noexpense owner, had purchased hard-throwing Walter Masterson from the ever-bankrupt Washington Senators and stylish right fielder Zeke Zarilla from his top farm team, the St. Louis Browns. Thus was added a pitcher everybody wanted to a staff topped by Mel Parnell and Ellie Kinder and a .329 hitter to a lineup that already boasted four lifetime .300 hitters, including Ted Williams, plus rollicking sluggers Junior Stephens and Bobby Doerr with Walt Dropo waiting in the wings. How does it get any better than that?

Meanwhile the Yankees, then as now their arch foe, were faced with a mountain of woes and widespread doubt after a winter of apparent blunders and disappointments.

The Great DiMaggio had a major problem with his heel that was feared to be career threatening. Jolting Joe's long-time fellow travelers in the outfield, King Kong Keller and Tommy Henrich, had been succeeded by a couple of unknowns, Gene Woodling and Hank Bauer, neither considered a premium prospect. Unproven kids Jerry Coleman and Bobby Brown were replacing the departing Snuffy Stirnweiss and Billy Johnson in the infield. Joe Page, a legendary playboy, was being asked to anchor the bullpen. All such uncertainties had been placed in the custody of new manager Casey Stengel, well remembered in Boston as the class clown for his sorrowful term skippering the eternally inept Braves. The Yankees were a team in transition, although some called it disarray. Red Sox Nation was positively gleeful.

How all of that turned out in the end is the stuff $of the \, darkest \, night mare$ of the dear Nation's wilderness years, which lasted a mere 86 blessed seasons in the sun.

Sidelined until July. DiMaggio rebounded quite miraculously. The voungsters Bauer and Woodling, along with an off-season cop, Johnny

Lindell, solidified the Yankee outfield. Coleman and Brown did the same for the infield with Henrich being reborn at first base. A revolutionary force, Page became the most dominant relief pitcher in the game's history, up to that point. The most astounding surprise, though, was Mr. Stengel. Long derided as a loopy misfit, he morphed into a deft weaver of baseball magic once he donned the pin stripes. It was absolutely galling.

In Boston, Uncle Tom Yawkey's 'Gold Sox', as they were then derisively nick-named, didn't exactly pack it in. Parnell and Kinder combined to win 48 games, the best single season performance by their one-two starters in team history. Williams, Stephens, and Doerr all had their best overall season in the Carmine Hose, combining to deliver a staggering 427 runs batted in, an average of 142 apiece. Ponder please the impact of such production from the middle of your order. Inevitably, Dom DiMaggio and Johnny

Pesky -- the two lucky chaps who led off that awesome lineup -- averaged over .300 and scored 227 times. That such a team could lose in the end was impossible; but, of course, they sure

It came down -- as every New England school kid knows better than the tale of the midnight ride of Paul Revere -- to one bloody, winner-take-all game in the Bronx, the very last day of the season. The Yanks found a way to win while the Sox found a way to lose. It wasn't the DiMaggios who beat them that memorable day but the Colemans, Lindells, and Pages. The two teams were always equal in stars but the Yankees always had better role players.

Of all the indignities sustained during that memorable era – yes, including even Bucky Dent in 1978 and Aaron Boone in 2003 -- none hurt more than the mad machinations of 1949. If the melodramatics of 2004 somewhat atoned for all that, it did not exactly even the score.

of this little diatribe, you may ask? Well, I won't bore you with balderdash about history's capacity to repeat itself. For sure, it's generally true about almost anything, but it's a cliché-burdened thesis when applied to baseball. The Yankees are always the Yankees and the Indians are always the Indians. But history has little to do with it.

More precisely it's about the perils of the "foregone conclusion." This year's Red Sox team is regarded as pre-destined, anointed, and a lead-pipe cinch just like the 1949 team was. It's a dangerous mindset.

Plainly, G.M Epstein agrees. He has lately taken to posting daily advisories on the pitfalls of over-confidence, even after rousing back-toback romps over the mighty likes of Northeastern and Boston College. He appears to be getting feverish on the subject. From a distance, Manager Terry Francona seems even more terrified. So what's the point But then he well knows

that in the present atmosphere of haughty triumphalism he will be toast if he doesn't run the board without breaking a sweat.

But the media experts -- from the pompous overlords of ESPN all the way down to the guttersnipes of talk radio -- will hear none ofthat. Universally they proclaim the inevitability of your Red Sox. Rare is the savant willing to dissent with that conventional wisdom.

About this time a year ago both USA Today and the Sporting News solicited the opinions of the nation's most influential sporting scribes on the matter of who would win the pennants and ultimately the whole shebang. It's a gimmick annually deployed by the Big Media. As I recall, around 50-60 of these lofty sporting folks shared their prophetic vision on the matter. Only one, a little known chap from San Francisco, picked the Giants to end up as champions of the baseball world.

Somuchfortheexperts and their expertise.

McBride trains for 'last chance' bout in N.J.

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The 6-foot-six, 280-pound McBride has a stellar career record of 35-8-1. He last fought in October during the Prizefighter Tournament in England where he won a split decision against Franklin Egobi in the quarterfinals. Unfortunately, he lost the same night by unanimous decision in the semis against Matt Skelton.

"I put him down, but I didn't get the decision," said McBride.

Since then, Mc-Bride has been back in Dorchester spending time with his wife Danielle, and their two children, Grainne and Caoimhin. He's a family man, but he still hits the gym, and now, with his upcoming fight, he's hitting it harder than ever. He is determined to keep his dream of winning championship belts for his children alive by winning in April.

He has been training with his fitness trainer, Radovan Serbula, to get into the best shape possible and with Goodie Petronelli, who is best known for training "Marvelous" Marvin Hagler. He is also scheduled to work out with the McLoughlin brothers, Eddie and Tony, in New York.

McBride clearly has a lot of respect for his opponent. He knows



Kevin McBride hoisted the Irish tri-color after his TKO victory over Mike Tyson in 2005. AP photo

the success Adamek has had in multiple weight classes and that he beat Andrew Golota, who beat McBride.

But McBride says he is ready for the challenge. "I'm up for this fight, looking forward to it. It's time to leave all the talking in the ring. This guy is in my way to get to my dream fight.

"The main goal is to beat this guy and get an opportunity to fight Klitscho, because that's what Adamek is supposed to do, beat me and [then] fight him," McBride said. "Boxing is a beautiful sport because all it takes is one punch to change anyone's chapter. I'm going to deliver that on him that night. You can run but you can't hide from Kevin McBride."

"You know this guy's quick, they are going to say he's too fast. But its 12 rounds and I'm going get contact eventually, and when I do, he'll think the whole of Poland hit him."

The McBride vs. Adamek fight takes place on April 9th in New Jersey's Prudential Center. McBride has an abundance of supporters who will join him there. His mother, his sister Debbie, and his nephew

are going to Newark along with close friends like Tommy White, who has been extremely important in Kevin's life. His brother, who lives in New Jersey, will also be there cheering him on.

Kevin would not make any predictions, but he did say, "I don't think it's going the distance. I'm fit for 12 rounds, but hopefully I'll be my own judge and it won't go 12. I want to be victorious, I want to have my hand raised in the end, but if not, they are going to need a stretcher because I'm going to leave it all in the ring."

(Continued from page 10) ST. MARK-WAINWRIGHT AFTER-SCHOOL **PROGRAM**

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DOT DAY MEATLOAF DINNER

Annual Meatloaf Dinner, catered by Gerard's, at the First Parish Church, Thurs., Mar. 24, 6:30 p.m.: tickets: \$15 per adult, \$7 per child, with \$30 for a family of four.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB FUNDRAISER

'Spring for Kids" fundraiser, for the Boys & Girls Club, with Mark Morris and the Catunes, at Florian Hall on Fri., Mar. 4, 7 p.m., with dancing, cocktails, raffles, and more. Tickets, \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Call 508-533-9156 or 617-288-5331.

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Family Book Club, for children in grades 3 to 8 and an accompanying adult, the second Wed. of each month, at the Leahy-Holloran Community Center, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Info: 617-635-5150.

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DOTBIKE NEWS

Info: 617-571-4473 or 617-290-5822.

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The temple is located at 180 Blue Hill Ave., in Milton. Call 617-698-3394 for reservations. There will be three introductory meditation seminars: on Mon., Apr. 4, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.; on Wed., Apr. 6, from 10 to 11 a.m.; or on Sun., Apr. 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Select one and call the temple at 617-698-3394 to say which seminar you will attend; \$10 per seminar. Following the introductory seminar, the group will learn how people have used different forms of meditation over the centuries. Eileen Shaw learned Transcendental Meditation from a program of Maharishi Mahesh Yogi in 1972. She has been teaching group meditation in Marshfield.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

The Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy invite all to celebrate the Eucharist in honor of Divine Mercy the third Friday of each month (Mar. 18), at St. Ann's in Dorchester. Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 6 p.m.; Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30 p.m.; and Mass at 7 p.m., with a homily on Divine Mercy. All are welcome. For further info: call the Sisters at 617-288-1202.

FIRST PARISH CHURCH

The church welcomes donations of food and clothing for the needy each Sunday. Pot-Luck-Family-Fun-Night, the first Fri. of each month, 6 p.m., in the parish hall. Jazz Cabaret Night, featuring Muse Stew, Sat., Mar. 12, 7 p.m. Tickets (\$15), available at the door. The church is located at 10 Parish St., Meetinghouse Hill

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Officials: Depleted State Police ranks a growing problem

By Michael Norton STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Launching a new State Police class in October would add 150 troopers to a force that has lost about 400 officers over the past five years.

Patrick administration officials testifying at budget hearings in Brockton said there are about 2,100 State Police officers now, down from more than 2,500 in 2006.

"We are down to some really severe levels," said Mary Beth Heffernan, state secretary of public safety. "We are at the point right now where it's a problem and we need to get a class on."

Patrick administration officials said the plans are contingent on the receipt of appropriations from the Legislature. Patrick, in his budget plan unveiled last month, proposed a \$2.50 to \$2.70 surcharge on auto insurance policies to fund a new class of State Police cadets. Administration officials expect as many as 200 more troopers to retire by the end of the current fiscal year.

At the hearing, Heffernan, while defending the administration's plans to close a pair of prisons, said the administration expensive to think about is also eyeing plans for a new class of correction officers this spring.

Heffernan said the administration has also looked consistently at the idea of consolidating the State Police and MBTA Police forces.

"It would not be a savings, no. We've looked at that proposal many times," Heffernan said. She called it "too right now."

Heffernan, asked about the prison closures, again declined to specify which ones, saying it remained subject to discussion.

"I don't mean to be glib at all. That's not my intention," she said.

Heffernan and a team of top state public safety officials faced light questioning from House

and Senate Ways and Means committee members about the Patrick administration's extensive plans to overhaul probation and parole, sentencing laws and supervision of inmates following their release from prisons and jails.

Heffernan described the state's system of supervising inmates upon release as "bifurcated" and "fragmented."

YMCA program aimed at curbing Diabetes

In an effort to reduce the risks of diabetes and obesity while improving cardiovascular health, Boston Medical Center has partnered with the YMCA of Greater Boston to form the Exercise and Nutrition to Decrease Diabetes (END Diabetes) Program. The program will take place at the East Boston, South End, $Roxbury\, and\, Dorchester$ YMCAs. A demonstra $tion\,will\,be\,held\,on\,March$ 3 beginning at 11 a.m. at the Dorchester YMCA at 776 Washington Street.

While some chronic conditions such as cardiovascular disease have been on the rise for decades in all segments of the United States, many chronic conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, asthma and obesity are more prevalent for low-income, ethnic minorities.

In Boston for example, 10 percent of Black adults have diabetes, compared $with five \, percent \, of \, \bar{W} hite$ adults. In 2007, the diabetes hospitalization rate for Blacks was nearly four times higher than the rate for Asians and Whites. In addition, prior studies have shown that people with lower incomes have a harder time accessing affordable healthy nutrition and exercise programs.

Each has been identified as being located in and serving communities most in need of cardiovascular health services and health conditions such as diabetes, obesity, reduced access to care and nutrition services that contribute to poor

cardiovascular health. The six-month program will offer educational workshops, free YMCA membership, individual coaching and regular exercise sessions for at least 200 adults.

"As a direct result of the END Diabetes Program, participants will learn how to make positive, permanent lifestyle changes through proper nutrition, increased physical activity, health education, and participation in fitness and alternative wellness

programs," said Caroline M. Apovian, MD, Director of the Nutrition and Weight Management Center at BMC and principal investigator of the program. "The END Diabetes program will show that with these life-

style changes and modest weight reduction, a person with pre-diabetic symptoms can prevent or delay the onset of Type 2 diabetes, thus reducing their risk for cardiovascular disease,' she added.

HELP WANTED



St. Mary's Center for Women and Children, is an innovative communitybased multi-service non-profit located in Dorchester, Massachusetts, provides residential, educational, job training and support services to at-risk women and children, pregnant and parenting teens and infants and children.

Margaret's House Family Advocate (Part-time and Relief) Pay Range: \$14.33 - \$16.57

Provide a safe, secure environment by supporting our families as needed. Must maintain a flexible schedule and demonstrate the ability to work with female head-of-household families in crisis. This position is designed to work with our families' evenings and every other weekend. Qualifications: Required 1-2 years experience working with female head-of-household families, a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent years in Human Services preferred. Send Resumes to: mpetrillo@smwcc.org

Parent Educator -St. Mary's Home (Per-diem) Pay Range: \$14.33 - \$16.57

Provide parent education, and co-lead therapeutic and skillbased groups for teens and their children during the 3-11 pm

Qualifications: Requires 2-3 years experience working with pregnant and parenting teens. BA in Human Services or equivalent year's experience in Human Services preferred. Send Resumes to: mpetrillo@smwcc.org

Assistant Program Director- St. Mary's Home (Full-time) Pay Range: \$43,341.90 - \$47-433.15

Qualified candidate will be responsible to co-lead the program by directing and supervising all administrative programmatic, financial, management, supervisory and program development and planning in conjunction with the Program Director and the team. One must have excellent verbal and communication skills, 3-5 years experience working in a residential setting with teen moms is required. Send Resume to adavis@smwcc.org.

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The Roxbury Comta" Samuels and Jesika finished the game with munity College (RCC) 13 points. Sophomore Holmes added 13 and 12

Hoopsters on to national tourney

women's basketball points, respectfully. Roxbury took a 36-26 team advanced to the National Junior College lead into the locker room Athletic Association's at halftime, with Head (NJCAA) Division III Coach Mark Leszczyk National Tournament electing to play a much taller line-up than the with a 64-53 victory over Manchester Community traditional small and College on February 27. quick line-ups for which The RCC Lady Tigers RCC is known. Freshman forward will travel to Rochester, Minnesota, to take Tyler Kimball grabbed

part in the eight-team 14 rebounds for Roxbury National Tournament while playing tight de-March 10-12. fense on Manchester's Sophomore Tommia point guard Shenielle Duncan-Clarke – who Davis paced Roxbury with 15 points, while did not score a field captains Sequetta "Butgoal in the first half and Erika Sagay led Manchester with 15 points.

"Winning this tournament was the ultimate definition of team effort," said Coach Leszczyk. "These players worked so hard over the entire season to prepare for a game such as this and they truly rose to the occasion. We look forward to representing Regional XXI at the National Tournament."

Roxbury, 27-2, finished the regular season ranked third in the NJCAA National Poll.

This is the fourth tournament title for the Tigers this season; the team was also victorious at the RCC Invitational Tournament, the Passaic County Tournament, and the Massachusetts Community College Athletic Conference (MCCAC) Tournament.

The Lady Tigers defeated Quinsigamond Community College, 78-50, in the Regional Semi-Final match-up on Saturday afternoon to advance to Sunday's final.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK DIVISION
Docket No. SU09P1671GD
IN THE INTERESTS OF
YOLANDA VALENTIN
of BOSTON, MA
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
TERMINATION OF GUARDIAN
OF INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
BESPONDENT

RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has filed by D health of Boston, MA in the above cap-tioned matter requesting that the Courl terminate the Guardianship.

The petition asks the Court to make

a determination that the Guardian and or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessar and therefore should be terminated. Th

riginal petition is on file with the court
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you o your attorney must file a written appear ance at this court on or before 10:00 A M on the return date of 04/28/2011. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the writter appearance if you object to the petition f you fail to file the written appearance if you fail to life the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filling 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 infinition confipielly late away in 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. John M. Smoot, Firs Justice of this Court. Richard lannella

Register of Probate
Date: February 16, 2011

LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing has received an application for the

To operate and maintain radio, cassette/compact disc player, jukebox, 3 widescreen televisions, instrumental music, 3 instruments, vocal music, 1 vocalist, disc jockey, karaoke and floor show to consist of a comedian.

at: 112-116 Savin Hill Avenue, Dorchester, MA 02125 known as: Savin Bar & Kitchen the applicant is: Kenneth Osherow

manager of record is: Kenneth Osherow Entertainment would be operated and maintained daily

Apublic hearing on this application will be held at Boston City Hall, Room 801, on Monday, March 14, 2011, at 10:45 a.m.

Anyone wishing to speak on this matter is invited to attend the hearing. Interpretation Services in Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean

Creole and American Sign Language may be available upon request if the request is made two weeks prior to the hearing by writing to: Patricia A. Malone, Director Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing Room 817, Boston City Hall

Boston, MA 02201

Fax: 617-635-4174

Telephone 617-635-4165

Man charged with lying to grand jury investigating violent gang

The owner of a Dorchester auto-body shop was no contact with alleged indicted last Thursday on charges he lied to a grand jury investigating a gang that authorities say was responsible for drug deals and a number of murders, the state Attorney General's office said Thursday.

Rafael Bachier, 39, will now face trial in Suffolk Superior Court on charges of perjury, misleading the grand jury with intent to interfere with a criminal investigation, and accessory after cocaine trafficking.

Prosecutors allege Bachier was pals with members of the Magnolia Steelers, whom police say arranged hits on rival gang members from Roxbury bars before police arrested 15 members in 2009. The indictment charges that Bachier told

gang leader Christian Miranda after Miranda escaped police chasing him, when Bachier in fact had talked to Miranda numerous times until police tracked him down.

summer when Miranda

was at-large." The alleged gang members have yet to come to

the grand jury he'd had

"Following his testimony, investigators developed additional evidence that showed this portion of Bachier's testimony was false and that he designed it to aid in Miranda's flight from justice," the Attorney General's office said in a statement. "Allegedly, Bachier had been communicating with Miranda throughout the

-REPORTER STAFF

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK DIVISION
Docket No. SU10D1566DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION and MAILING CONCEICAO S. RODRIGUES-MONTEIRO

vs. JOAO T. MOTEIRO

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of the marriage under G.L. c. 208, Sec. 1B. 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: Conceicao S. Rodrigues-Monteiro, 78 Dix St., #1, Boston, MA 02122 your answer, if any on or before **04/07/2011**. 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. JOHN M. SMOOT, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 17, 2011 Richard lannella Register of Probate

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RECENT OBITUARIES



FONSECA, Manuel "Mannie" of Hingham, formerly of Quincy and Dorchester. Husband of Julianne (Coleman) Fonseca of Hingham. Father of Andrew Caporale of Hingham. Son of Shirley Fonseca of Quincy and the late Edward Fonseca. Stepfather of Melyssa Pearson and her husband Seth of Beverly, William McCarthy and his wife Tara of Stoughton, and Timothy McCarthy of Quincy. Brother of Edward Fonseca, and Bobby Fonseca and his wife Barbara, all of Quincy. Stepgrandfather of Owain and Morgan McCarthy. Godfather of Jessica Fonseca and Nicole Bertrand. Lifelong friend of Julio Leitao of Plymouth. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Mannie was a property manager for the DAI Property Management Company in Braintree for six years. He was a former employee of Stop & Shop for many years.

BULLOCK, Toni L. of Dorchester. Wife of Mr. Adolphous G. Bullock of Dorchester. Mother of Dr. Kim A. Bullock of Silver Spring, MD. She also leaves a host of other relatives and friends.

CRONIN, Robert William of Dorchester.

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN (NEVER KNOWN TO FAIL)

Oh, most be autiful flower of Mt.Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the me, herein you are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me There are none that can with stand your power. Oh, show here you are my mother. Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3 times) Thank you for your mercy to me

Brother of Mary E. Cronin and Ann T. Bennett of Dorchester, David J. Cronin of Tewksbury, Joseph F. Cronin of West Roxbury, John M. Cronin of Brockton, Thomas F. Cronin of Middleboro and the late Alice L. Cronin, Michael P. Cronin and James A. Cronin Jr. Robert is survived by many nieces, nephews, grand nieces and grand nephews. Donations in Robert's name may be sent to Barbara McGinnis House, Albany St., Boston, MA 02118.

FLAVIN, Mark C. age 58, of New York, NY, formerly of Dorchester, accidentally in his office in New York City. Son of the late Charles M. and Pauline A. (Hartigan) Flavin. Survived by his uncle, Joseph Richard Hartigan and his wife M. Genevieve Hartigan of Norwell, many cousins, colleagues, and friends. Mark was a graduate of Boston College High School, Class of 1970, a Cum Laude Graduate of Princeton University, Class of 1974, and Cornell University School of Law, Class of 1977. A Memorial Service for Mark will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 12 noon in Resurrection Church, 1057 Main St., Hingham, MA. Relatives and friends invited. Donations in Marks memory may be made to the "Fund for Boston College High School", 150 Morrissey Blvd., Dorchester, MA.

HURLEY, Mary E. (Joyce) in Worcester at age 90. Formerly of Dorchester, North Weymouth native. Daughter of Patrick and Margaret (Thornton) Joyce. Wife of the late John F. Hurley. Resident of Dorchester and parishioner of St. Peter's Church for more than 40 years before moving to Worcester. She leaves a son, John F. Hurley, Jr. and his wife Joy Danilowicz-Hurley of Paxton; two grandchildren, Andrea Hurley of Paxton and Dan Hurley of Providence; and many cousins, including Maureen Alcott of Scituate, Patricia Donadio of Milton, Paul Frazer of Dedham and Edward Frazer of London. Sister of the late Margaret McKinnon. Donations in Mary's memory may be made to Why Me, Inc., 1152 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA 01602.

LEHANE, Michael J. in Plymouth, formerly of Dorchester, East Dennis, and Drimoleague, Co. Cork, Ireland. Husband of Ann M. (Folan). Father of Maureen L. and her husband Paul K. Welch of Plymouth, Michael F. and his wife Beth Lehane of Braintree, Thomas J. and his wife Sally Lehane of Medway, Gerard P. Lehane of NY, and Dennis J. and his wife Angela Lehane of Charlestown. Brother of Gerry Lehane of England. Devoted grandfather of Colin J., Katherine A., and Elizabeth A. Welch, Ashley E., Mandy, and Gianna M. Lehane. Late retired employee of Sears & Roebuck Co. for over 35 vears. Donations in Mike's memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Massachusetts, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown,

MA 02472. MORRIS, Rita A. (Cawley) in Milton, formerly of Dorchester. Wife of the late Robert A Morris. Daughter of the late Joseph P. and Esther M. "Etta" (Curley) Cawley. Sister of Joseph P. Cawley, Jr., and his wife Guilda of Moncton, New Brunswick. Kevin M. Cawley and his wife Karen of Stoughton, Teri M. Schuster and her husband Steve of Blacksburg, VA, Michael F. Cawley of Doylestown, PA, Mary V. Cawley of Dorchester, Patrick D. Cawley of Stoughton, and LT. Stephen C. Cawley, BPD Area B-2 of Quincy. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Donations in Rita's memory may be made to the Jimmy Fund, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 10 Brookline Pl. West, 6th Floor Brookline, MA 02445. ATTN: Contribution Services or at www.jimmyfund.org.

NIEWIADOMSKI, Helena (Tomcyzk) in Dorchester. Wife of the late Stanislaw Niewiadomski. Born in Lodz, Poland, Helena survived the work camps of World War II. She immigrated to the United States in 1950 and married her late husband in 1951. She leaves behind her cherished goddaughter Danuta Harber of Weymouth, her beloved niece Barbara Gruszcelak of Lodz, Poland and a cousin through marriage Elzbieta Organek of Warsaw, Poland. Late member of St. Ann Polish Women's

O'BRIEN, Helen M. (Noonan) of The Villages, FL formerly of Dorchester. Wife of Robert E. O'Brien. Mother of Denise and her husband Bill Richard of Dorchester, Sean and his wife Erin O'Brien of Abington. Sister of Peggy and her husband Carl Medico of FL. Grandmother of Henry, Martin, Jane, Brenna and Jacob. Remembrances may be made in memory of Helen to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, TX 75265-0309.

REILLY, Robert E. of Quincy, formerly of Neponset. Husband of Jean (Weafer) Reilly of Quincy. Father of Sean Reilly of Worcester, James Mumford of Worcester, Jean Johnson of S. Boston and David Mumford of Kingston. Brother-in-law of John Weafer and his wife Donna of Weymouth. Also survived by many grandchildren. Robert was the head chef at Coddington's Restaurant in Quincy for several years retiring in 2001. He was a former member of the Quincy Lodge of Elks.

ROBERTSON, Phil**lip K.** of Dorchester. Husband of 61 years of Mary (Whelan). Father of Nanci Robertson and her husband Rick Mancuso of San Jose, CA, Phillip K. Robertson Jr. and his wife Anne Barrett of Dorchester. Also survived by five grandchildren. Late member of Local #589. Vet. WW-II U.S. Navy. Remembrances may be made to St. Brendan's Parish,15 Rita Rd., Dorchester, MA 02124. WILKS, George C.

in Dorchester. Husband of Lorraine A. (Zubiel). Father of Patricia Wilks MacPherson of Dorchester, JulieAnn and her husband Paul J. Kurtzman of Quincy, and Peter C. Wilks of Dorchester. Grandfather of David MacPherson Jr., Sean and Grace MacPherson, Cassandra, Richard, Takei, and Gaelin Kurtzman. Brother of Robert Wilks, Barbara Maccini, Frederick Wilks, Edith Shea, and many other deceased brothers and sisters. Veteran <u>U.S. Marine</u> Corps. Late Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus. Retired employee of Hartford Insurance Company for

Son of God, Immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the sea, help me and show in this necessity. (Make request).

The prayer must be said for 3 consecutive days and after that the request will be granted. The prayer must be published.

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Neighborhood Notables

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Wednesdays of Lent, beginning Mar. 16. ("The Light Is On For You!")

ST. AMBROSE NEWS

The annual Dance and Raffle will be held on Sun., Mar. 27, 3 to 8 p.m., at Florian Hall. Andy Healy's Band will perform at the dance. Admission is \$10. Confessions are heard one-half hour prior to Mass.

ST. ANN CHURCH

St. Ann's Lucky Thousand Drawing, the second Monday of each month in the school cafeteria, at 7 p.m. Youth Trivia Night has been postponed until after Easter.

ST. BRENDAN NEWS

St. Vincent de Paul Society's Spaghetti Dinner, on Sat., Mar. 12, 5 to 7

p.m. Annual Spring Auction and Casino Night, Sat., Mar. 26, 7 p.m., in Fr. Lane Hall. Admission: \$20 per person, including beverages for the first hour. Info: 617-929-0040 or 617-777-2926. Easter Bunny Brunch, Sun., Apr. 10, 11 a.m., following the 10 a.m. Mass. The Food Pantry welcomes non-perishable food. Girls' softball registration ends on Mar. 11. Contact the rectory.

ST. CHRISTOPHER PARISH

The 12:05 p.m. daily Mass will not be celebrated if the Boston School Dept. cancels school because of poor weather conditions. Sister Elizabeth is celebrating her 57th year as a Sister of Notre-Dame de Namur. She entered on Feb. 2, 1954.

REPORTER'S CALENDAR



Fifth graders at the Oliver Wendell Holmes Elementary School took part in the Freedom Trail Scholars program on Feb. 18. The interactive history program is touring schools in and around Boston. area. The program covers the major events of the American Revolution in Boston, including several subjects required for the fifth-grade history curriculum frameworks as outlined by the Massachusetts Department of Education. The one-hour traveling program consists of two actors taking on multiple roles to bring the stories of the Boston Massacre, the Tea Party, and Paul Revere's Midnight Ride to life. Above, fifth graders watch the program, which included student Trinity Francis, who portrayed Lt. Colonel Smith as she talks with General Gage, played by Freedom Trail player Nate Gundy.

For information on school visits, call the Freedom Trail Foundation's Angie Jepson, Scholars Program Manager, at 617-357-8300, Ext. 203, or visit thefreedeomtrail.org

Thursday, March 3

- Kennedy Library Forum on 50th Anniversary of the Peace Corps, 5:30-7 p.m. in Stephen Smith Hall. Former Peace Corps volunteers Sarah Chayes, Chris Dodd, Elaine Jones, Joe Kennedy III and Paul Theroux share their memories of serving and how their experiences changed their lives. Stanley Meisler, author of When the World Calls: The Inside Story of the Peace Corps and Its First Fifty Years, moderates. Free and open to the public. To make reservations and for further information, visit the Kennedy Presidential Library web page at jfklibrary. org or call 617-514-1643.
- Ashmont Adams Neighborhood Association meets at 7 p.m. at Plasterer's Union Hall, 7 Fredericka St.

Friday, March 4

• The City of Boston along with the US Agency for International Development (USAID) will host a town hall meeting to review reconstruction efforts in Haiti at the Jeremiah Burke High School, 60 Washington Street in Dorchester from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 5

- The Shirley-Eustis House, a National Historic Landmark house museum and carriage house in Roxbury, hosts a fruit tree pruning workshop on at 10 a.m. with The Food Project and Boston Natural Areas Network. Free. 33 Shirley Street, Roxbury. Contact 617-442-2275 or Boston Natural Areas Network at 617-542-7696.
- Ashmont Hill Chamber Music Concert and Benefit, Saturday evening, at the home of Gary and Andrea Barcomian-Dietrich. Features violist Michelle LaCourse and violinist Klaudia Szlachta

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSE ITS
SUFFOLK, SS.
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR DBN WITH THE WILL ANNEXED Docket No. SU11P0320EA IN THE ESTATE OF CLYDE L. GRIMES LATE OF DORCHESTER, MA 02122-1223

DATE OF DEATH: 07/28/2008 To all persons interested in above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that

Kathleen Grimes of Milford, NH, or some other suitable person be appointed administratrix DBN WWA of . said estate to serve Without Surety. IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY SHOULD FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT BOSTON ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON

March 24, 2011. Witness, HON. JOHN M. SMOOT, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 18, 2011 Richard Iannella

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unless the person to be removed as guardian or conservator of a ward who has some interest thereunder.] [Notice to the Department of Mental Health is not required unless the person to be removed is guardian of a mentally ill person or is a conservator.] COMMONWEALTH OF

Case No. SU06P0837 To all persons interested in the estate of Retha M. Ragland late of Boston in said County of Suffolk, deceased.

MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT SUFFOLK, ss.

[Notice to the Veterans'

Administration is not required

A petition has been presented to said Court praying that Daniel Jones be removed from his office as Administrator and that Renee Jones of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Lettye Quarles of Fall River, in the County of Bristolor some other suitable person, be appointed successor.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 31st day of March, 2011, the return day of this citation.

Witness, JOHN M. SMOOT, ES-QUIRE, First Judge of said Court this 25th day of February, 2011.

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performing Mozart's masterpiece for violin and viola-the Duo in B-Flat. A suggested donation of \$40 per person will benefit the Ashmont Hill Chamber Music Series. Info/reservations call Christina Keefe, 617-680-7542, or ashmonthill chamber music@ hotmail.com.

• Vincent Crotty of Dorchester and Chuck Sullivan of Milton present a joint exhibition of paintings as the inaugural show at Studio D, located at 11 Pearl Street, Savin Hill, Dorchester. Opening reception from 3 to 6 p.m. exhibit continues through April. Info: 617-839-6734.

Sunday, March 6

 The Irish International Immigrant Center together with Montserrat Aspirers, present the 17th Annual Black and Green event: Lessons about Hope: Resilience in the Face of Disaster, 2 p.m. at the Montserrat Aspirers Hall, 364 Washington St., Dorchester, 02124. The program will feature a conversation with experts in Humanitarian Aid as we learn about disaster recovery and the power of hope. Traditional Caribbean cuisine and live entertainment.

 $For bes\, House\, Museum\, will\, host\, ``Abraham\, Lincoln$ at 200," a talk by Lincoln Historian and Rhode Island Chief Justice Frank Williams (ret.), at 4 p.m. in the Exhibit Room at Forbes House Museum, 215 Adams Street, Milton. Chief Justice Williams will examine the Lincoln phenomenon as we conclude the bicentennial observance of his birth. Admission is \$5 per person; museum members are free. For more information call the Museum at 617-696-1815 or visit our website at forbeshousemuseum.org.

• County Donegal Association St. Pat's Reunion & Banquet, 7 p.m., Florian Hall, Dorchester. Tickets \$35, 617-623-3566, 617-696-1702.

Wednesday, March 9

• The BRA hosts a public meeting to discuss updating the zoning code for Dorchester Avenue. 6:30 p.m. Viet-AID, 42 Charles St, Dorchester. For morre information: http://www.dotavzoning.org or contact Jeremy Rosenberger at 617-9184431 or Jeremy.Rosenberger.BRA@cityofboston.gov

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