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Presidents Message: The Community Council hosted an Open Meeting last month at the community center, Guest speaker, Norfolk County Register of Deeds William O'Donnell. gave a talk on the services his office provides for the community. Members of the Registry staff were on hand to look up your information, to insure you're up-to date. How about homesteading? This important document could help you keep your home in case of a foreclosure. We had a good crowd at Bunny Fun Day, thanks to the volunters, businesses that made generous donations. See page 5 for Helen Kelly's report. As I mentioned the good weather brings out activities for many of the Houghs Neck groups. See the listings in the next column. Council upcoming events include our annual Plant Sale on May 20th in the Church Parking lot Sea and Rockland streets. The Second Annual Street Hockey Tournament will be held on June 3 & 4th at the rink at Brill Field. Last years tournament was big hit so interested members of the community have picked up the Puck and are running with it. Jim McCarthy is chairing the event check the Ad at the bottom of this page for more info. I like to take this time every year to say Happy Mothers Day to all the moms in Houghs Neck, and Thank You to my fellow Veterans, present service men and women and their family's *Happy* Memorial Day.

Come to the Annual Dorothy Lair

Annual Dorothy Laing Memorial Spring Flower Sale

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Student's Signature

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Seaside Cafe at the Houghs Neck Community Center

Monday's & Wednesday's at 11:00am ~ enjoy a homemade hot lunch, coffee, pastry and play Scrabble or Bingo 1193 Sea Street *page 7*

Mobile Food Pantry

2nd & 4th Wednesday's of the month at 3:00PM Free Bag of Food - arrive by 3PM - Community Center 1193 Sea Street *page* 7

2017 Cleaner, Greener Quincy

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2017 Adult Pinewood Derby

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Celebration of Holy Trinity Parish

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Houghs Neck Congregational Church

The Zhao Zhi-Min Chinese School of Music Orchestra Wind from the East Sunday, May $21, 2017 \sim 3:00 \text{ PM } Page 4$

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Houghs Neck Congregational Church

5th Annual Strawberry Festival Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, June 3, 2017 Rain or Shine 10 AM to 2PM *Page 8*

Houghs Neck Garden Club

"Springtime by the Sea"

Saturday, June 10th, 10am to 2pm. Page 3

Last Chance ~ Deadline May 5th Houghs Neck Community Council Scholarship Fund

Book Award Scholarships, presented to students living in Houghs Neck for the past five years. The Scholarships are presented to those graduating from high school and those continuing their undergraduate education. In 2016 we presented \$7,500.00 to 3 High School Seniors and 5 College students continuing their education.

Since 1964, through the generosity of the residents and friends of Houghs Neck we have been able offer 500 book awards presented, to over 323 kids receiving from \$50.00 to \$1,250.00 for a grand total of \$319,900.00.

Application for 2017

Now is the time to start gathering the important documents you will need to apply for the Book Awards for next years college classes.

Application for Houghs Neck Community Council Book Award Students must have five or more years of residence. Awards are made to high school graduates and college student continuing undergraduate studies. Students continuing study towards Master's degree or beyond college level are not eligible for these awards. Application must be received by May 5, 2017 and should be sent to David DiBona, Scholarship Chairman, 45 Turner St., Quincy, 02169. Further information may be obtained by calling David DiBona at 617-471-9179.
To: Houghs Neck Community Council Scholarship Committee
From: (Student's Name)
Address
Home Tel. No

Parent's Names	_
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Accepted at or attending (College - year of study)	
A Houghs Neck Resident since:	

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A Houghs Neck Resident since:	
Enclose a sealed official transcript of scholastic record	

Gifts to the Houghs Neck Community Council Scholarship Fund

In Memory of **Uncle Ed Kelly**

on the 5th anniversary of his death

Uncle Ed - We miss you so much and think of you often. Thank you for teaching us games, being silly and spending time with us.

Love Katie, Michael and Abbie Henshaw

(Ann "Sullivan" Henshaw says thank you for coaching the Hustlers & being the best uncle ever)

In Memory of

Harold "Buddy" Darrow **Esther Darrow** William "Bill" Darrow A friend

In Honor of

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on Her 10th Birthday Love Nana & Grampee

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> In Honor of Gianna DiBona

Her Aunt Amy DiBona on Her 10th Birthday

Our Sympathy and Condolences are extended to the friends & families of:

John C. Kohut, passed away on April 4th. John was a U.S. Army veteran during the Korean conflict. He enjoyed being a member of the Jacob Jones VFW in Dedham and a member of the Quincy Art Association. Husband of Mary Ann (Nichol) and father of Julie Fawcett, Edward Kohut, Laurie Bourgeois and Dennis Kohut. Grandfather of nine grandchildren. Brother of Earnest Kohut.

Shirley M. (Lemon) Shepherd passed away April 2nd. She attended Massasoit College where obtained her associate's degree. She worked for Codman and Shurtleff as a Customer Service Representative for 22 years and was also an assistant teacher at Atheron Hough in Houghs Neck. Daughter of the late Arthur and Virginia Lemon. Wife of the late John Knudsen. Mother of the late Scott D. Shepherd. Sister of Patricia Perkins, Fredrick Lemon and the late Richard Lemon. Grandmother of Colin Shepherd. Donations may be made to American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

Marjorie L. (Martin) Knopf, 91, died April 11th.

Marjorie grew up in Milton and later moved to Ouincy, where she loved living by Quincy Bay. She was a nursing assistant at Quincy Hospital. She was full of life and loved every moment of it. Marjorie especially loved spending time with her family. They were the cornerstone of her life. Wife to the late William Knopf Sr. Mother to William Knopf Jr. and the late Kenneth Knopf and David Knopf. Nana to Lori and Great Nana to David and Stephen. Best friend to Midge George of GA.

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The In Honor Of or Memorials printed in the Bulletin each month are from your neighbors who give a donation. They may recognize a loved ones birthday, anniversary, wedding, birth, passing, letting a friend know you are thinking of them or any occasion. All donations are given to the Houghs Neck Scholarship Fund. On June 16th the Scholarship committee will present \$8300.00 to 3 High School Seniors and 8 College Students continuing there education. Since

June, 1964 they have presented \$231,795 to brightest students from Houghs Neck. You may honor a loved one or friend by placing a memorial or in honor of, with a donation. Please send a request to David DiBona 45 Turner Street, Quincy MA 02169.

The scholarship committee also has for sale the "Houghs Neck History" book for \$10.00. Available at E & T Ceramics or by calling 617-479-4107.

The future of Houghs Neck thank's you in Advance for your Generosity.

Houghs Neck Community Council

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Houghs Neck GARDEN CLUB

Suzanne Mahler will speak to the Houghs Neck Garden Club on May 3rd on the topic of Great Public Gardens of New England. A colorful presentation will take members on a journey through coastal Maine, Tower Hill, Berkshire Botanical Gardens, Elm Bank, Heritage Gardens, and several other lovely public venues. This meeting will be held in the MWRA Community Room at Nut Island, 2nd floor, 149 Sea Street, starting at 7pm with refreshments and a brief business meeting followed by the program at 7:30pm.

The HNGC's final meeting of the year is our annual Plant Auction to be held on Wednesday, June 7th, 7pm, at the Thomas Aguinas Hall on Darrow Street. Members bring plants or cuttings from their gardens to share with others and raise funds for the club's community beautification efforts. With Stella Izzo as our auctioneer extraordinaire, this meeting is open to the public and always a lot of fun.

"Springtime by the Sea" is an event which will take place on Saturday, June 10th, 10am to 2pm. This community event and our main annual fundraiser is a garden tour of Houghs Neck. Starting at Nut Island where guidebooks can be picked up from 9:30 to 12:30 at the MWRA Community Room, the tour will feature beautiful gardens and spectacular views of Quincy Bay, Hingham Bay, Boston and the Boston Harbor Islands. There will be light refreshments and a local artist in each garden! Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 on the day of the tour. For more information or tickets, call 617-472-2800.

The Club is a member of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

To find out more about the Club visit our website at: http://hngc123. wix.com/houghsneckgardenclub/.

SAVE THE DATE Bill Dunn Jr **Memorial Road Race**

hope our runners are out training for the 11th Bill Dunn Jr Memorial Road Race held



Houghs Neck to honor Bill Dunn Jr who was lost at sea on July 1, 2006. The run and walk take place on June 24 at 9am registration is held at St Thomas Aquannis Hall. Please go online and register at Racewire.com or go to our web site Remember B.com All funds go to Quincy High students, Broad Meadows, Atherton Hough and Manets Football which Bill was very proud to be a member of.

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Book Group Thurs. April 13th @ 7pm All welcome Book: Daughter of Fortune, Isabel Allende

AA ProgramSaturday 3-5pm. Women's Meeting

Free Yoga Wednesday 5:15-6:30pm All welcome

Men's AA Sunday 6pm -8pm

Summer WreathTuesday May 30th 6:30 see us on HNCC FB.

Free **Mobile Food Pantry**

Wednesday @ 3pm May 3rd,17th& 31st A free food program, please arrive by 3pm for free bag of food. Pass the word

All Welcome

Kid's Programs

Make it, Take it Kids in the Kitchen Movie & Paint **Trinket Boxes** Legos & ice cream Movie & Legos Wii & Dance Movie & PIZZA Games and more

MondayMay 1st 3 -5pm Wednesday May 3rd 3-5 Thursday May 4th 3-5 Monday May 8th 3-5pm Wednesday May 10th 3-5 Friday May 12th 3-5 Wed. May 24th 3-5pm Friday May 26th 3-5 Wednesday May 31st 3-5

Free Tuesdays12-2pmA free fun "Y" youth program

Playgroup Thurs. May 4th – June 8th12:30-1:45

The Houghs Neck Community Center operates under the direction of the Houghs Neck Community Council, Inc. Funded with a **Community Development Block Grant through** the City of Quincy Planning Department

Louth Program

Make it Take it Monday May 1st 3-5pm. Everything Spring Always a party. Good Friends, healthy snacks & music \$4. **Kids Cooking** Wed. May 3rd @ 3-5 sweet treats

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Playgroup Thursday May 4th @ 12:30-1:45 free Painting & More Thursday May 4th 3-5

Let's get messy! Paint on Rocks, Wood & more. \$4 **Trinket Boxes& Jewelry** Monday May 8th3-

5pmAlways a good time. Perl beads. Lots of new beads.\$3 **Legos & IceCream** Wed. May 10th3-5pm.free

Movie & Legos Friday May 12th 3-5pm. \$4 Wacky Wii Dance Wed. May24th 3-5pm.Free

Movie & PIZZA Friday May 26th 3-5pm. \$4

Kids & Games Wednesday. May 31st @ 3-5.\$2

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Free playgroups

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> Dawn at dcorley@qcap.org. Thursdays 12:30pm-1:30pm

Adult Programs

You don't have to leave the Neck Free Yoga Class Wednesday 5:15-6:30

Summer Wreath Workshop Tuesday May 30th6:30pm See us on HNCC FB

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Program Ideas?

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Sat. 4:30pm MBS & 6:00pm OLGC ~ Sun. 8:30am MBS & 10:30am OLGC www.holytrinityquincy.com ~ facebook: holytrinity quincy Office Hours Mon-Tues: 9:30 am-7:00 pm, Wed-Thurs: 9:30 am-12:00 pm Friday office is CLOSED, Saturday and Sunday by appointment

CELEBRATION OF HOLY TRINITY PARISH UNDER FATHER CARR

Please make plans to join us on Sunday May21st from 1:00 -3:00 PM at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall as we come to celebrate all we have accomplished as a Parish since Father Carr's arrival. Father will be leaving June 1st for a new assignment as we enter into our new collaborative as Holy Trinity Parish.

LADY'S SODALITY

Lady's Sodality Meets the first Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel church hall. Andrea Sault is the Prefect, for more information contact her at sault46@aol.com

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Next meeting will be held after the 8:30 Mass on May 7th and June 4th at the St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. All confirmed male members of the parish are invited to join this group. Our meeting day has changed to the first Sunday every Month. For more information contact the secretary at ttimcoe@comcast.net

Rosary @ OLGC 7PM every Wed. All members of the HNS are invited.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will celebrate 1st Holy Communion on May 7th at 10:30 am (MBS) and 12:30 pm (Our Lady's) The last class for all students in Grades 1-5 will be held on Sunday, May 21st. In Edge Middle School, we will finish our last semester of this year "Choices: An Edge Resources on Morality" on Tuesday, May 16th. Our 9th Grade Confirmation class will be continuing to discuss and engage with the Chosen material, with the last classes being on anointing of the sick and then on the Holy Spirit. We end on Sunday, May 7th.

Summer Mission Trip

Please consider donating to support the Summer High School Mission Trip this year! We'll be taking 22 high school students and 8 adult chaperones to Mexico, Maine for another week of summer mission in July. Check out the GoFundMe at www.gofundme.com/htpmissiontrip2017, view the website and bulletin for upcoming dates and times of fundraisers in the community. Save the date: The 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, July 23rd to launch the summer mission trip will be celebrated by Most Reverend Peter J. Uglietto- Auxiliary Bishop of Boston, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia. We hope you will join us! May God bless you.

THE PARISH NURSES

Sponsors the monthly Blood Pressure Clinic, the next clinic will be held after the 8:30 Mass on June 4th at the St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. Stop by and have your Blood Pressure check. Certified Nurses will check your pressure and let you know how you are doing. This is a free service of the Parish Nurses and is open to all.

SAVE THE DATE

The Most Blessed Sacrament Church will be 100 years old this year. The Holy Name Society is planning an Anniversary Mass and Dinner for September 24th 2017. We are just in the beginning stages of planning, picking the date was the first on the adgenda. If you have any ideas or interesting items of the history of the church we will be looking to incorportate them into the celebration. Please watch the Church bulletin and the HN Bulletin for additional information.



HOUGHS NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Interim Pastor. Felix Carrion

Sunday Service 10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour following Service 310 Manet Avenue ~ 617-479-8778 www.hncong.org

The Zhao Zhi-Min Chinese School of Music Orchestra Presents Wind from the East

Sunday, May 21, 2017 ~ 3:00 PM Houghs Neck Congregational Church 310 Manet Avenue, Quincy MA 02169 (Freewill Offering)

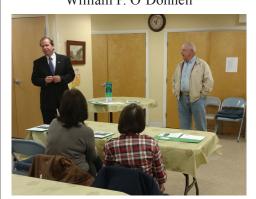
Under the direction of its founder, Zhao Zhi-Min, the Orchestra of Zhao Zhi-Min Chinese Music School will be performing at Houghs Neck Congregational "Wind from Church. the East" will include traditional Chinese Folk Music from many regions of China played

on dozens of instruments including some ancient ones almost lost in China.

Zhao Zhi-Min started learning Bamboo Flute and ErHu at the age of six. His formal music training began at the Children's Palace in Dalian, a school for the musically gifted. He further developed his talent learning toplay traditional and ancient Chinese instrumentsstudying with Master Liu Ming Yuan, renowned worldwide as a traditional Chinese folk music performer and composer. formidable technique and skill have secured his international reputation as a talented young interpreter of traditional Chinese music. In his homeland, he earned first place in several national contests.

After arriving in the United States, Zhao Zhi-Min became the Principal

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of the zhonghu section in the Chinese Music Ensemble of New York, as well as the erhu/banhu soloist and concertmaster. ensemble hasplayed at variousmusicalfestivals and tours in the United States and Europe. Zhao was invited to Boston in 1997 as a

lecturer on erhu/banhu playing. Since then his career has become focused more on erhu teaching and education. Zhao moved to Boston in 1998 and formed the Zhao Zhi-Min Chinese Music School in 2000, where he continues mentoring ErHu students, training a new generation of outstanding Chinese musical talent. The Orchestra of Zhao Zhi-Min Chinese Music School was formed in 2001 and consists mostly of students from the music school. The Orchestra plays music of various styles from many different regions and minority groups of China. Most of the young students in the orchestra play two or more instruments. Zhao Zhi-Min and his students have played in schools, libraries, churches and senior centers introducing traditional Chinese music to the Greater Boston area.

Continuing his efforts of bringing the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds directly to the citizens of Norfolk County, Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell appeared April 18th as guest speaker at the Hough's Neck Community Center. The event, sponsored by the Hough's Neck Community Council, was a chance for Register O'Donnell to discuss the operations of the Registry of Deeds, the various modernization initiatives undertaken and various consumer protection initiatives.



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Easter Bunny Fun Day

warm and sunny Sunday afternoon brought out around 150 people for Easter Bunny Fun Day. All the children had a great time making crafts, decorating cupcakes, playing



games, having pictures taken with the Easter Bunny, and, of course, the Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn.

Thank you to all of our Community volunteers Council including, Dave, Kathy, and Amy DiBona, Patt McCone, Jim McCarthy, Zoe Antonoupoulos, Alda Lyons, and Kathy "Bunny" Pavidis. Also to Father Carr and Holy Trinity Parish for the use of the hall and lawn

Last but not least, a Big Thank You to Fratelli's Pastry Shop for the wonderful Easter Cookies, Confectionately Yours Bakery for the beautiful Easter Cupcakes, and Stop & Shop, Big Y Supermarket, Star Market, BJ's Wholesale Club, and Walmart for their generous donations of gift cards. If you shop any of these generous businesses ask for the manager and thank them for us. Helen Kelly



Wishing you the overy best this Mother's Day!

2017 GUIDELINES FOR HOUGHS NECK GARDEN CLUB STUDENT AWARD

The Houghs Neck Garden Club (HNGC) is granting awards to graduating high school seniors who have been residents of Quincy for the last two years and who have been accepted to a school of higher learning. Additionally, applicants must plan to concentrate in one of the following the fields: conservation, horticulture, botany, oceanography, forestry, city planning, landscape design, land management, environmental studies, or an allied

Applications are available from local high school counselors or by contacting a member of the HNGC. Completed, signed applications must be delivered to Carol Johnston, 46 Bay View Avenue, Quincy, MA, 02169. The deadline for submitting applications is May 1, 2017.

Upon timely receipt of completed applications, accompanied by a written statement of each student's educational goals (students should not write their names on the essay page), the HNGC Student Awards Committee will review and consider materials. Student(s) granted an award will be notified by phone or mail by May 15, 2017.



Manet Community Health Center Elects 2017 Board Officers

The Manet Community Health Center Board of Directors elected a new slate of officers for 2017 and welcomed new members in February. Milton resident Eva Greenwood, MBA, who formerly served as vice president of the board, has assumed the role of president for 2017. Joe Reardon, also of Milton and vice president of Keohane Funeral Home, will serve as immediate past president. Quincy resident Henry "Hank" Rittal, business analyst for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, will serve as vice president, and Robert J. Griffin, of Quincy, partner with Krokidas & Bluestein LLP, and John Galluzzo, of Hanover, grant writer for South Shore YMCA, will continue in their roles as treasurer and secretary respectively.

New members to the Manet Board of Directors include: Anne Bisson, director of Department of Human Services and Council on Aging for the City of Taunton and resident of Fall River; Lawrence Flanagan, a now retired senior information technology professional and resident of Canton; Matt Littlefield, director of Business Development for Innovative Cost Solutions and resident of Hull; and Marsha Roos, a guidance counselor at Braintree High School and resident of Ouincy.

Returning members are: Brothers, of Braintree, former executive director of Quincy Asian Resources Inc.; Christopher Cogdill, of Quincy, district manager for Walgreens; Zachary Eaton, of Quincy, general manager for Newton Automotive; Carol Garner, MD, of West Roxbury, Linda Kelly, of Quincy, disabilities advocate, Vinicus "Vinnie" Trivelli, of Weymouth, Associate Pastor at Crossroads Worship Center, and Ivan Wong, of Quincy, law clerk at Giarrusso Norton Cooley McGlone, PC.



Neighbor **News**

MFA's ART IN BLOOM

Houghs Neck Garden Club members participated in this year's Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA). This annual celebration of art and floral design draws approximately 20,000 visitors from New England and beyond. The event was held Saturday, April 29 to Monday, May 1.

Each garden club team has been assigned one art object which they will interpret with a floral arrangement to be displayed next to the art. Different arrangements will be on display throughout the Museum by 50 garden clubs from across New England. Arrangers were introduced to their art objects, which could be a painting, sculpture, piece of furniture or musical instrument, in March, and have carefully planned their floral interpretation, often based on color, shape and style.



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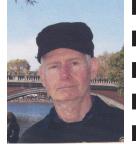
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Cleaner Greener Quincy exemplifies the spirit of our community with neighbors helping neighbors and often multiple generations working together. Ward One consistently has strong participation and the most sites of any ward. On Saturday, May 6th, from 9am to noon, I welcome you to volunteer and join neighbors sprucing up our parks and beaches. The Houghs Neck Garden Club. Houghs Neck Community Council and Boy Scout Troop 6 are always consistent participants in leading area locations and working hard to beautify our neighborhood. Please come down and lend a hand at any of these locations: to Atherton Hough Veterans Monument, Brill Field, Edgewater Beach, Houghs Neck Community Center, and Perry/ Parkhurst Beach. If you want to lead a different project site, we welcome you to do so. Please contact the Parks Department at 617-376-1252. Ward One has almost twenty participating locations and I look forward to working side by side of many of our volunteers as I will be spending time at many of the project sites. I will post final list of participating sites on social media. Mayor Koch will host an appreciation barbeque at Pageant Field starting at noon and volunteers

will receive a free t-shirt in appreciation of their efforts. An adage an old salt from the Neck shared with me is make sure to get your yard work done before prepping the boat for the season. I'm glad to see the good weather arrive, to get my yard spruced up and the boat in the water. The Quincy Police Marine Unit will be bringing the floats to the Maritime Center this week, weather pending and the larger Public Landing float soon after. National Grid and contractor Riley Brothers will be replacing gas main and services to residents of 1154 to 1173 Sea St. 1 to 64 Wall St and 11 to 19 Edgewater Dr. Work is expected to be completed by the end of May. They have sent letters to all residents to communicate what to expect. I will post any updates I receive on social media. I will be hosting a community meeting together with the Department of Public Works regarding the seawall repair project benefitting Houghs Neck, Island, Adams Shore and Merrymount.. The meeting will include an open house period beginning at 6:30pm as well as a formal presentation beginning at 7:00pm. Representatives from the City and the City's engineering consultants Tighe & Bond will be available to provide additional information and respond to questions. As you are aware, sections of these seawalls are currently experiencing significant deterioration and damage. Associated structures such as several drainage outfalls along the wall are failing; increasing the potential for

upstream flooding. To address these issues, and in recognition of the seawall's importance to public safety and flood prevention, Mayor Koch included the seawall and outfalls in the City's Capital Improvement Plan initiative. The City has also been awarded a \$441,000.00 grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA) Dam and Seawall Fund. The project phase we are currently working on will address the repairs of the seawalls along the shore of Quincy Bay from intersection of Sea Street and Babcock Street (the Willows) west including Post Island Road and Shelton Road for approximately 6,200-feet to Norton Road. This section of seawall impacts the worst of the repetitive loss areas in Ward One. For example, when storm water breaches at the Willows, Houghs Neck gets cut off from the mainland and we are starting this project design at that junction in efforts to reduce the flood impacts to that area. With much of Ward One in the flood plain., I have spent a lot of time working with homeowners impacted by the FEMA flood maps. I am relieved to say that after years of pushing at the local, state, and federal levels, the City's work to correct the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) Flood Insurance Rate Maps is drawing to a close. We expect that the final accepted corrections will become effective on April 14, 2017. Although this was a cumbersome and confusing process, the City was successful in obtaining many of the desired improvements to the flood maps. With the flood map revision finally complete, the City has identified hundreds of homes that we believe to be eligible for a Letter of Map Amendment which would exempt them from the flood insurance requirement. I have mailed letters and reached out personally to those eligible in Ward One and have invited them to two workshop events I am hosting to assist them in submitting their paperwork. On Tuesday, May 2nd at 6-8:00pm at Central Middle School -Auditorium and Tuesday, May 16th at 6-8:00pm at North Quincy High School - Auditorium, I am holding a workshop for those Ward One residents who may have benefited from the corrected FEMA Flood Maps. A significant portion of our Ward is in the flood plain, so we are targeting the workshop for those

company. Representatives from the City, our flood consultant, surveyors, and the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds will be present to assist property owners in filing for a Letter of Map Amendment which, if confirmed eligible, can relieve you from the requirement to have flood insurance. Mayor Koch has submitted a Capital Improvement Plan to the City Council for review. It includes \$27million in park improvement projects and will utilize revenue from the hotel/motel tax. He has another submission for \$23 min improvements which will be offset with revenues from the Sewer Rehabilitation and Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund with the balance being borrowed. The City Council will have a series of meetings reviewing the projects and meeting with Bond Council to review our fiscal position. All of the details are posted on the City's website and I welcome your feedback. In particular for Houghs Neck there is substantial commitment in the Park Improvement Plan funded through the hotel/motel tax. Submitted appropriations include funding for the acquisition of the parking lot adjacent to Labreque Field, the three homes adjacent to the Maritime Center parking lot and the Louis parking lot. Smaller projects include Brill Field Guard Rails and new courts for Broad Meadows Middle School. In the Capital Plan, funding is being requested for the Houghs Neck Fire Station, Complete Design and Replacement HVAC System and new carpeting at the Adam Shore Library, Heating System Engineering for Broad Meadows. Investigations of the Sewer along Stoughton Street reveal that the sewer is sinking due to unsuitable soils. Additionally, the sewer runs along a wetland area resulting in significant Infiltration and Inflow problems This sewer is a significant sized main that serves the majority of Houghs Neck. The sewer must be redesigned and replaced to ensure efficient effective sewer service There are many more projects in Ward One and citywide. While I noted above the grant funding for design of seawall repairs, funding for the construction of the repairs is for the construction of the repairs is included in the Capital Improvement Plan as is design and construction funding for the engineering, design and construction of the section of seawall from the Willows to Bayswater Road. Of particular note in the Park Improvement Plan is funding for the Hancock Adams Green in Quincy Center and the crown jewel of our city parks, Merrymount Park that had an original plan drawn up by legendary landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted that will improve connectivity between Merrymount Park and Wollaston Beach/Quincy Shores Reservation. Many have noted Quincy's potential and we are committed to making Quincy the world-class city we know it to be. The proposal is a forty page document that is posted online and will be reviewed by the City Council Finance Committee with much additional paperwork that we will review, project by project. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, May 8th at 6:45 in the City Council Chamber of Old City Hall. One of my most important roles as your Ward Councilor is to keep you informed of matters that may affect you. I welcome you to contact me if you have a question or need additional information. Margaret

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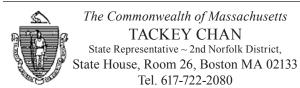
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House of Representatives completed its debate on the fiscal year 2018 state budget at the end of April. There were 1,210 amendments filed. The House's state budget is \$40.8 billion, which is approximately \$80 million less than the Governor's recommendation. The House has adopted a more conservative fiscal year 2018 revenue projection by increasing the state budget by only 3.8%, rather than the Governor's proposed increase of 4.25%. In addition, the House does not rely on increasing taxes and fees, such as the Governor's proposedtax on Airbnb and similar room and home rental programs. The Joint Committee on Financial Services is conducting a review of the entire social networking housing industry.

The single largest increase in the fiscal year 2018 state budget is Medicare/ Medicaid, commonly known as MassHealth. It is over \$16.5 billion and now represents 41% of the State Budget, which is 2% more than last year. As our population ages, individuals reaching age 65 are eligible for MassHealth and enrollment has been steadily increasing over the past decade. MassHealth is a federal program that the state administers. The state receives a 50% reimbursement from the federal government for each

participant's health care costs. However, given that we are unsure how the Affordable Care Act may change, this funding could be at risk in the future. The next largest part of the budget continues to be

local aid, which is now 15% of the state budget. Local Aid is a combination of unrestricted general government aid and Chapter 70 education funding to cities and towns. The House approved \$1,061,783,475 in unrestricted general government aid and \$4,031,335,996 in Chapter 70 funding. Chapter 70 education funding is the highest since the law was approved. Quincy's unrestricted government funding is \$19,075,668, a \$716,026 increase from last year, and Chapter 70 education funding is \$27,043,396, a \$279,630 increase from last year.

Throughout the budget process the Quincy legislative delegation was able ensure funding for programs and services that affect Quincy. The Quincy delegation was able to designate \$50,000 to the Quincy Fire Department for Hazmat training and equipment. Another \$25,000 was designated to the Quincy Elder Services to support their programs. Two human service agencies received funding, \$50,000 for the Germantown Neighborhood Center and \$100,000 for Quincy Asian Resources, Inc. Quincy Shore Drive and Furnace Brook Parkway will have an increase in seasonal State Police overtime patrols costing \$95,000. Quincy is part of the Metropolitan

Beaches Commission and \$900,000 has been allocated to fund improvements and support programs at all beaches in the Boston Harbor area.

The House's budget is able to increase ourstabilization "rainy day" account to \$1.4 billion. Funding in the stabilization account is important for two reasons. The first is to have funding available in case of unforeseen emergencies, such as the Boston Marathon attacks and major fiscal shortfalls, such as the 2008 recession. The second reason is to maintain a good bond rating and demonstrate our reliability to lenders in case of fiscal emergencies. The state's bond rating is AA+, which is the highest rating it has ever had. This places us well in the top half of states on bond ratings.

The House's budget includes a \$2,000 tax credit for businesses who hire veterans. It provides funding for an additional 15,000 doses of Narcan. It increases the special education circuit breaker program for schools by \$4 million and regional school transportation funding was increased by \$1 million. The House continues to support our state universityand community college system by funding it at \$1.04 billion. Additionally, the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Assistant program funding was increased to provide an additional 343 housing assistance vouchers. State programs for adults and children with developmental disabilities are a priority and their programs received full support; in particular, a \$16.7 million increase for

the turning 22 program, which provides services for adults with disabilities. The Department of Children and Families would be able to hire another 547 new case workers to address the large number of caseloads.

As a member of the Joint Committee on Health Care Finance, I had the opportunity to tour the Sanofi Genzyme manufacturing facility in Framingham. This facility manufactures Fabrazyme, a biological medication. Fabrazyme is the only treatment for Fabry disease, an inherited and often life-threatening disorder characterized by the progressive build-up of a substance known as GL-3 within the blood and blood vessels. As an enzyme replacement therapy (ERT), Fabrazyme replaces the enzyme responsible for lowering GL-3 that is missing or deficient in people with Fabry disease. Fabry disease is a very rare disease with less than 4,000 documented cases, and it is often misdiagnosed. Massachusetts is highly favored by the biotechnology industry because of the quality of our education, including vocational training, our overall infrastructure, including international airport access, community willingness to work with the company on local impacts, and overall quality of life.

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