

# South End News

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## United South End Settlements Calendar

January 11th, 19th, 25th, &  
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Thursday, January 14th 6:00  
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## Where do we go from here, redux?

by Rev. Irene Monroe  
contributing writer

The year 2020 has been a stressful one. With George Floyd's death as an inflection point about race and racism in America, an unprecedented presidential election, and social unrest during an ongoing pandemic with a rising death

toll, something is deeply broken in America's body politic.

America has been divided and broken before - The American Civil War and the 1960's Civil Rights Movement. However, is America so broken now we can't turn back? Do

we want to turn back? The daunting question as we approach 2021 is, "Where do we go from here?" invoking the words of Dr. Martin Luther King. We have revisited this question

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## Crime

### Pair sought for South Boston stabbing that sent man to the hospital with life-threatening injuries

COURTESY ADAM GAFFIN  
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Boston Police report they are looking for a man and a woman for a stabbing at F Street and West Broadway in South Boston around 10:45 p.m. on Dec. 18.

Their victim was taken to a local hospital with injuries considered life threatening.

If they look familiar, contact detectives at 617-343-4742 or the anonymous tip line by calling

800-494-TIPS or by texting TIP to CRIME (27463).

Anthony Crumbley, 25, reports he was the victim, that he was attacked because he is gay and that he was in a coma for four days. He wrote yesterday he remains in the ICU - and now has to figure out how to care for not just himself, but for his 12-year-old sister, for whom he is her legal guardian.

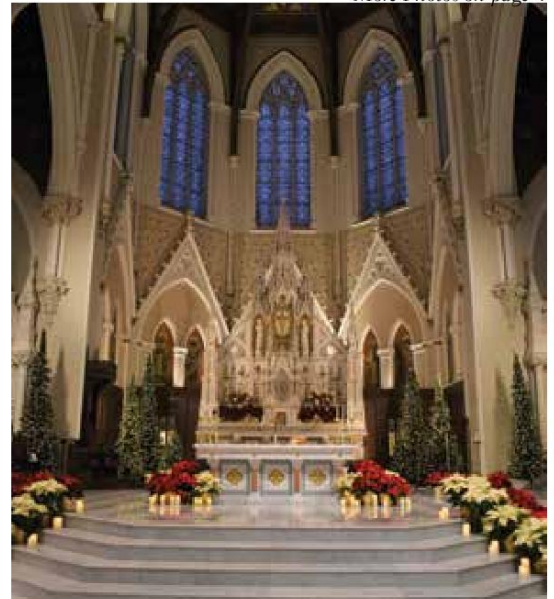
"I just don't know how I'm go-



*Continued on page 2* Surveillance photo via BPD.

## Christmas at the Cathedral

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Christmas day scenes at the Cathedral. Photo credit Patrick O'Connor

## ASK DOG LADY



### Advice on Pets, Life, Love

BY MONICA COLLINS

Dear Dog Lady,

'Tis the holiday season and being in a festive mood I bought my dog Max (a 75-pound pit bull/Labrador mix) a pair of reindeer

antlers. His coloring is such that he truly looks like a reindeer with them on, not to mention the fact he looks adorably funny. We got them at the pet store the other day and I made him walk home with them on. He did a great job of wearing them on the short walk home and didn't try to shake them off. When we got home, however, he gave me a look that said, "You owe me."

My question: Do I owe him?  
— Brian

Dear Brian,

Of course you owe him. However, the great thing about dogs is their magical ability to never feel embarrassment, to ignore all

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## COVID 19 Update

Boston has rolled back to a modified version of the "Phase 2 Step 2" of the state's economic reopening plan, effective now. Mayor Marty Walsh announced Monday afternoon in response to an ongoing surge in COVID-19 cases. Businesses such as museums, aquariums, bowling alleys, movie theaters, gyms and fitness centers are closed in the city. Indoor dining is allowed, with strict adherence to safety guidelines. Bar seating is restricted to those restaurants that obtain special permission from the city. Office capacity will continue to be limited to 40%





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### Flood Resilience Zoning Overlay District

**Wednesday, January 13**  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Zoom Link:** [bit.ly/CFRODJan13](https://bit.ly/CFRODJan13)  
**Toll Free:** (833) 568 - 8864  
**Meeting ID:** 161 062 3707

**Friday, January 15**  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Zoom Link:** [bit.ly/CFRODJan15](https://bit.ly/CFRODJan15)  
**Toll Free:** (833) 568 - 8864  
**Meeting ID:** 160 772 4427

#### Project Description:

Please join Boston Planning & Development planning and zoning staff for a virtual meeting to review the draft Coastal Flood Resilience Zoning Overlay, which will provide new zoning definitions, dimensional and use standards for development projects to promote resilient design and better prepare new and existing buildings for future coastal storms and sea level rise. The meeting will include a presentation of the draft zoning article and updates to existing zoning, followed by Q&A and comments.

The same presentation and content will be covered at the meetings on January 13th and 15th. We will take comments on the draft Resilience Zoning Overlay until Friday, February 12th.

Translation and interpretation services can be made available upon request by reaching out to [chris.busch@boston.gov](mailto:chris.busch@boston.gov) at least a week in advance of the meeting.

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**Close of Comment Period:**  
2/12/2021

BostonPlans.org | [@BostonPlans](https://twitter.com/BostonPlans)  
Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

## Food Pantries

### Information from the City of Boston

**Haley House Food Pantry**, 23 Dartmouth Street, Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 617-236-8132

**Rosie's Place/Pantry**, 889 Harrison Ave., Mondays: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays and Fridays: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesdays and Thursdays: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., 617-442-9322

**Salvation Army/South End Food Pantry**, 1500 Washington Street, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays: 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 617-536-5260.

**Catholic Charities/El Centro del Cardena**, Monsignor Reynolds Way, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays: 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., 617-522-4040

**Boston Medical Center Food Pantry**, 1 Boston Medical Center Yawkey B, Monday through Friday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., 617-414-3834  
**Grant A.M.E./Self-Help**, 1906 Washington St., First and third Thursday of the month: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., 617-427-0670

**American Red Cross/Mobile Market**, 1033 Massachusetts Ave., Times vary, call ahead: 617-375-0735.

**Islamic Multi Service Organization**, 722 Shawmut Avenue, Second Sunday of the month: 1:30 - 4 p.m., 617-442-2805

**Union United Methodist Church Food Pantry**, 485 Columbus Ave., Second Tuesday of the month: 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., 617-287-1020

Locations and times are subject to change. Please check back to confirm information before you head to a meal pickup site or food pantry.

Visit <https://www.boston.gov/departments/food-access/map-covid19-food-resources> for a full list of pantries.

### Dog Lady

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grudges and gripes. The canine species is not hobbled by vanity or by meting out retribution. Your dog is always a good trooper. You owe him the gifts of the season—a great romp, a yummy treat and chew, a bowl of food and a winter's nap on a soft blanket.

The above letter was one of my favorite queries among the hundreds I have received over the years. And, yes, Dog Lady is finally speaking to you, my dear readers, in the first person after nearly 20 years of writing in the distant third. Dog Lady (and that has always been me) pops out at the end to say "goodbye" and "thank you."

Goodbye because I am hanging up the leash after decades of giving advice both cheeky and stern. It always amazed me how seriously we try to understand these creatures in our lives. They confound us; they delight us; they want to please us; and they love us more than is reasonable. And we love them—despite their indiscretions and bad behavior. They bring humor, companionship, and great dollops of love into our lives. They can drive us

crazy but, ultimately, it all comes back to us.

"All dogs are perfect; people need help" has been the motto of "Ask Dog Lady" since the column began in 2000 in the "Bark" magazine. It also appeared in "Modern Dog" and "Urban Dog" magazines as well as and in various newspapers around the country including the "Chicago Sun Times" and "Cleveland Plain Dealer." However, home base for "Ask Dog Lady" has always been the South End News, the journal of the Boston neighborhood where dogs and dog people gather.

Thanks to publishers Jeff Coakley and Sue O'Connell for picking up the column. I remember the day when then-editor Franklin Tucker gave me the go-ahead to start writing "Ask Dog Lady" every other week. It's as if I had been given the keys to the kingdom.

Now, I say goodbye to the column with hundreds of columns to show for it. If I did anything, I hope I helped people be a little kinder to those innocent critters in their lives.

Monica Collins

(You can still read many "Ask Dog Lady" columns at <http://www.askdoglady.com>.)

### Crime

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ing to make ends meet now with this gained disability from my attackers, I'm now left with a unfunctional left arm due to the severed nerves in my C6 section of my shoulder. I

have to figure out how I'm going to ever finish raising my sister the way she deserves and give her everything I never had. Now we have to dedicate our life for a year to physical therapy just before I can even get anywhere with finding a doctor who can fix my severed nerves."

He adds his stomach and intestines were also sliced.

## Service Guide Ads Get Results.

For more information please call:

**617.464.7280**



## Monroe

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several times in American history, resisting the work and change needed to be done - individually, collectively, and systematically.

The long, hot summer of 1967 was when King wrote the book "Where do we go from here?" It was King's fourth and final tome before his assassination a year later. King wrote the book because, in the summer of 1967, there were 159 race riots across America. America was a tinderbox. Many wondered with the rage and frustrations of young black America if the government could extinguish the conflagration. Sadly, what caught the nation's attention was not the protesters' plight but rather the violence. "Everyone is worrying about the long hot summer with its threat of riots. We had a long cold winter when little was done about the conditions that create riots," King stated that summer at a luncheon in his honor. The riots were public cries for better jobs, higher wages, decent housing, quality education, health care, voting rights, and to end mass incarceration

and police brutality. In other words, it was a clarion call to end systemic racism.

However, the more things appear to change on the surface for people of color through the years, the more they remain the same systemically. This year proved it. Consequently, the summer of 2020 was a long hot summer, too. According to Armed Conflict Location & Event Data (ACLED), "between 26 May, the day after Floyd's death, and 22 August, ACLED records over 7,750 demonstrations linked to the BLM movement across more than 2,440 locations in all 50 states and Washington, DC." The protestors consisted of not only blacks but the entire face of America from all walks of life. Ninety-five percent of the protests were nonviolent. This year's demonstrations were the same as 1967: the public cry for better jobs, higher wages, decent housing, quality education, health care, voting rights, and to end mass incarceration and police brutality. This time, however, the clarion call is to end systemic racism, now!

In "order to know" where do we go from here?", we must honestly look at where we are now. And, it doesn't excuse those who think

they are on the right side of justice. While many whites would not think of themselves as racist, the distinction must be recognized that being "anti-racist" differs from simply not being racist.

Whitesupremacy is an ideology and belief system. It is not the province of solely white people; there are black white supremacists, too. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas and Dr. Ben Carson are examples. They uphold a white heteronormative and nationalist government that has had power shaping policy impacting us all-LGBTQ, women, and POC, to name a few.

White supremacy is in the DNA of America. Clinging to it for as long as America has is precisely where we are today as a broken nation. The question "where do we go from here" means America's race problem has not been addressed. While the COVID vaccine will eventually stop the spread of the pandemic, sadly, the pandemic of racism will persist. Americans cannot be blamed for the misinformation we have been taught and have absorbed from our society and culture. However, we must be held responsible for

repeating misinformation, unexamined racism, and privileges in ourselves after we have learned otherwise.

George Floyd's death, a cis-gendered male, symbolizes the new face of anti-black violence, as Matthew Shepard's face came to symbolize homophobic violence after his murder in 1998. His death forces us to look at what's broken in America as well as ourselves. However, his death can be an opportunity for reconciliation and healing, recognizing our shared humanity. It starts by calling out and addressing racists - whether well-intentioned white liberals or ill-intentioned white nationalists, because both erase our lived reality of a multiracial society.

In other words, white supremacy and white privilege must not be thought of as outside of oneself. Rather, it must be assumed. With that assumption, democracy can fully begin for those on the margin to experience what others take for granted.

Otherwise, united, we won't be as a country and divided we will continue to be as a petty people.

<b>CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF GUARDIAN OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON</b>		<b>Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court</b>	
		Docket No. SU90P2099	
<b>In the Interests of: Charles Rash Of: Boston, MA</b>		<b>RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person</b>	
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114	
in the above captioned matter requesting that the court			
<p>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 necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original is on file with the court.</p> <p><b>You have the right to object to this proceeding.</b> If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 01/15/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT NOTICE</b></p> <p>The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.</p>			
<b>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.</b> Date: December 04, 2020 <b>Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate</b>			

<b>CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L.C. 190B, §5-304</b>		<b>Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court</b>	
		Docket No. SU20P2325GD	
<b>In the matter of: Jacqueline Pickett Of: Boston, MA</b>		<b>RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person</b>	
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Boston Medical Center of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that <b>Jacqueline Pickett</b> is in need of a Guardian and requesting that		Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114	
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.			
<p>The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.</p> <p><b>You have the right to object to this proceeding.</b> If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 02/04/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT NOTICE</b></p> <p>The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.</p>			
<b>WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.</b> Date: December 22, 2020 <b>Ann Marie Passanisi, Register of Probate</b>			



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Mass on Christmas day at the Cathedral. The Cardinal was not present...a close friend and brother priest from the Capuchin order celebrated the Mass. Photo credit Patrick O'Connor

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More Info: Please call (617) 506-6628 or email Basic\_Needs@ccab.org

### Resources for Immigrant Communities: What's available?

Protecting Immigrant Families Campaign (NILC & CLASP)

The PIF Campaign has developed a quick reference guide on immigrant eligibility that provides a general overview of some of the federal public programs available to support individuals and families during the COVID-19 crisis. In light of implementation of public charge regulations, we have also included clarification about whether certain public programs are taken into account for public charge purposes. The guide includes links to deeper dive resources on eligibility from our partners. <https://protectingimmigrantfamilies.org/>

### Suffolk County Resource Guide

Suffolk County District Attorney, Rachel Rollins

This is a collection of resources currently available in Suffolk County, Ma, compiled by the staff of the Juvenile Alternative Resolution Program of the Juvenile Unit at the Office of Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins. It is not a complete list, and you should continue to consult relevant experts and your care providers when appropriate. This guide is intended to be a starting point for residents and service providers for finding resources to assist during the COVID-19 National Emergency. Our current circumstances are fluid and evolving; information, services, and recommendations may change over time. We advise you to contact any of the included services outlined here ahead of time to ensure up-to-date accuracy. <https://www.suffolkdistrictattorney.com/>

### DTA SNAP and Cash Benefits During COVID-19

Massachusetts Legal Services

To view a general overview of DTA policies and how to ensure folks can access benefits, please visit MLRI's COVID-19 page: <https://www.masslegalservices.org/DTA-COVID-19>

### Hunger and Food Resources for Households

Project Bread's Hunger and Food Resources page offers information for families and households on school meal sites and locations; the Food Resource Hotline (to get connected to food, and for SNAP application assistance); and policy updates (state and federal level). <http://www.projectbread.org/>

Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB)

GBFB partners with 500+ hunger-relief agencies, including food pantries, community meal programs and other food assistance providers throughout the nine counties and 190 towns and cities across Eastern Massachusetts. These efforts have doubled in the wake of COVID and increased food needs. This page offers information on food pantries across the state, as well as additional resources for food assistance, including school meal sites. <https://www.gbfb.org/>

### Massachusetts State Updates & Resources

State of Massachusetts (Governor's Office) and MA DPH is working closely with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide updated information about the novel coronavirus outbreak. <https://www.mass.gov/> offers:

- Prevention and treatment
- Cases, quarantine and monitoring
- State of emergency
- Printable fact sheets and FAQ
- Emotional health and well-being resources
- Press release
- MA 2-1-1

### SIREN COVID-19 Resource Page

Social Interventions Research & Evaluation Network (SIREN)

[sirennetwork.ucsf.edu/covid-19-resources](https://sirennetwork.ucsf.edu/covid-19-resources) includes resources on a national level such as:

- Social needs surveillance
- Recent news articles about COVID and health equity
- Resources for clinicians and patients
- Insurance coverage and codes for COVID-related healthcare services
- Pharmacy delivery services
- Vaccination scams/exploitation
- Housing
- Employment/income concerns
- Utility concerns
- Social isolation
- Advocacy opportunities

### The City of Boston

The City of Boston has a free texting service to provide daily updates and information about the coronavirus. Text BOSCOVID to 99411 to opt-in for English. Language and communications access remains a priority for Mayor Walsh, so this text service is also available in Spanish, Haitian Creole, French, Cabo Verdean Creole, and Portuguese.

- Text BOSEspanol for Spanish
- Text BOSKreyol for Haitian Kreyol
- Text BOSFrancais for French
- Text BOSKriolu for Cabo Verdean Creole
- Text BOSPortugues for Portuguese

Updates in 10 total languages can additionally be accessed through [boston.gov/coronavirus/multilingual-help](https://boston.gov/coronavirus/multilingual-help). Each language has its own page and hosts multilingual print materials distributed citywide.

HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOSPITAL CAPACITY

On April 2nd, Mayor Walsh announced that construction begins at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center to add 500 beds for treating homeless adults who have tested positive for COVID-19 and need care, but do not require full hospitalization.

The City has released a Request for Proposals to secure a partner organization to operate the facility. If necessary, the Convention Center beds will be opened up for hospitals to use for sub-acute COVID patients in the general population.

These 500 beds will bring Boston's total number of new beds for homeless individuals to over 1,000. This includes Boston Medical Center's Newton Pavilion facility, which the City and State are working to re-purpose as a medical facility for homeless residents affected by the coronavirus.

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