

WHEN YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN, WE ARE THERE WITH YOU.

With this edition, the Milton Times joins other newspapers nationwide in a project to let you know that we stand by, and with, you in this most difficult time.

Together as a community, we will manage our fears, worries, hopes, and dreams that better days lie ahead.

Better days do lie ahead; history has taught us so.

Just as we know from historical records and reports how a particular situation played out, we will keep you informed about this ongoing situation. Preservation of the written word in print and online provides the historical backbone from which we benefit.

Along with you – residents, readers from other communities, business owners, elected and appointed town leaders, school officials, medical and customer service professionals – we will find a way through living with a novel coronavirus or new viral strain.

Yes, it might feel scary at times.

Yes, for young people, it might seem annoying that hanging out in the park is



not recommended.

Plans made for celebrations are now on hold, and we join you in looking forward to the day when such events will take place.

We look forward to when the everyday events take on a familiar feel, too: when distances between where one person can stand in line at the post office, food, or convenience store are not specifically marked in colored tape on the floor.

We look forward, along with you, to sharing a sit-down meal at a restaurant

in each other's company.

Indeed, we look forward to letting you know when life can be, and is, back to a familiar and better feeling. That is our role as a public servant.

What the Milton Times offers is the chance for anyone to read our newspaper, no matter how long they've called Milton home and even if they don't.

We exist to serve people of all stripes and persuasions.

We hope that you will continue to support our journalism.

Town Election delayed

By Elaine Cushman Carroll Milton Times staff

With the coronavirus looming large, the Select Board has decided to move the annual Milton election to June 9 and waive two months of rent for three nonprofits that are housed in town buildings.

The board had earlier voted to reschedule the annual Town Meeting to June 15, 16, and 18 due to growing concern about whether social distancing measures, if still in place, could be achieved in the Milton High School auditorium.

During a meeting held through teleconferencing on March 25, the board said that state legislation has been signed that allows communities to reschedule elections to a date before June 30.

The board voted 4-0 in favor of the June 9 date, with Select Board member Richard Wells recusing himself since his name will be on the ballot as a candidate for re-election.

The election, which had been set for April 28, has two contested races for two seats on the Select Board and one seat on the Housing Authority, which are town-wide positions. March 26 was the deadline for candidates to withdraw from the election and Town Clerk Susan Galvin said no candidates made that request.

In addition to Wells, candidates for the Select Board are Daniel Clark, a member of the Fire Station Building Committee, and Arthur Doyle, who

Charlene Kennedy leaves a birthday cake she made for now 8-year-old Brayden, as he and dad Brandon Kennedy are 6 ft. away. (Courtesy photo)

Families make working, studying from home, work

By Elaine Cushman Carroll Milton Times staff

The order to work at home came just as Deborah Milbauer was getting ready to move her 89-year-old mom from New York into an assisted living facility in Brookline.

Her mom had already given up her home in New York but when she arrived in Massachusetts, the facility was under lockdown and she was not allowed to move in.

Therefore, she is weathering the coronavirus pandemic while staying with Milbauer, her husband, and the couple's two daughters.

"She's been here two weeks. She's telling everyone she's homeless," said Milbauer, laughing.

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40B public comment session set for April 7

By Elaine Cushman Carroll Milton Times staff

Time is running out to gather public comments about the most recent 40B development proposals facing the town, and the Select Board will host its final public meeting on the Residences at East Milton during its meeting set for Tuesday, April 7.

The Select Board's response to the site applicability applications for the three developments are due soon, and the board has stated that it is still hoping to post the drafts of the letters for comment prior to sending them.

The board said the process has been

made more difficult by the need to host remote meetings, and MassHousing has declined Milton's request for a second extension for letters that detail the town's response to the developer's site applicability applications.

The response on proposals from the Comprehensive Land Holdings LLC, whose principals are members of the Tamposi family, for 582 Blue Hill Ave. and 648 Canton Ave., are due on April 15. The letter for the East Milton proposal by the Joseph Corcoran Co. and the Falconi Companies is due April 22. Joey Pugh, of Canton Avenue, an

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