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More Mass. colleges say new class is less diverse

Amherst, Tufts see change following ruling ending use of affirmative action

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For two more Massachusetts schools, predictions that a Supreme Court decision last year that ended affirmative action in college admissions would result in less diverse student bodies appear to be materializing. Both Tufts University and Amherst College said Friday that the racial diversity of their incoming freshman classes has decreased.

It's unclear why these schools, along with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, saw drops in diversity — whether the end of affirmative action made it harder for students of color to get admitted or if fewer students applied because they were discouraged to.

As the fall semester begins to ramp up for US colleges, a full picture of the ramifications of the Supreme Court ruling has yet to become clear as diversity figures continue to trickle in from other institutions.

The University of Massachusetts Amherst, the flagship campus of the state's university system, recently announced its most diverse incoming class ever, after school leaders said they aggressively recruited students of color to overcome an expected drop in applications because of the rul-

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Fierce contest for an obscure state panel

Primaries unexpectedly crowded for positions on Governor's Council

By Matt Stout

It vets judicial nominees and approves politically fraught pardons, yet operates in obscurity. Now, in a political cycle largely bereft of intraparty intrigue, the little-known Governor's Council also may boast the liveliest Democratic primary battles in Massachusetts.

Fourteen Democrats are vying in Tuesday's primary for one of the eight seats on the council, a long-ignored, sometimes ridiculed body with roots in the Colonial era. A pair of its longest-serving members are facing primary challengers in their districts, including in a tense rematch in Greater Boston. Two other seats are open. Come November, more than half of the panel could be new faces, an oddity in a State House defined by incumbent supremacy.

There's the potential for history-making, too: The batch of Democratic candidates includes three **COUNCIL, Page B4**

'We thought somebody would do something'

Employees, patients weigh the loss as Carney and Nashoba Valley close

By Robert Weisman and Diti Kohli

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On Friday, the last full day of operations at Carney Hospital in Dorchester, Benjamin Amado sat on a bench just outside the front door and took stock of what will be lost.

A patient access coordinator, Amado scheduled appointments, sorted insurance claims, and made

the diverse and historically underserved patients of the area feel at home. He knew regulars by name and saw some just this week, as they came to say goodbye.

Now, the 26-year-old Amado will go on to find a new job, and Carney, which employs 900 people and has served this community since the Civil War, will sit empty.

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Steward reaches deal with BMC on remaining hospitals

By Robert Weisman and Jessica Bartlett GLOBE STAFF

Steward Health Care has reached agreements to transfer operations of the last two of its hospitals in Massachusetts that were up for sale, St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton and

Good Samaritan Medical Center in Brockton, to Boston Medical Center, the company and Governor Maura Healey's office confirmed late Friday.

The agreement includes an outright purchase of Good Samaritan by BMC. For St. Eliza-

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Beatrice Destine and her five children, all from Haiti, lay down for the night outside the Wollaston T stop in Quincy.

Amid limits, families choose streets

Shelter restrictions leave some worried they'll lose future chance at housing

By Giulia McDonnell Nieto del Rio

UINCY — The shelter crisis in Massachusetts has reached a point where homeless families, many of them migrants fleeing strife and despair, are now choosing the previously unimaginable: electing to spend the night on the street instead of inside a state facility that has beds available to

The immediate reason cited by parents bedding down on cold sidewalks and church floors: new restrictions put in place by the Healey administration at the start of August, which limit stays in temporary "respite" shelters to five business days, and then prohibit people from qualifying for a longer-term placement for six months.

"It's not good for us. After the five days, what are we going to do? We are going to go back to the street, and they will withdraw us from the system," said Beatrice Destine, who slept outside with her five children, at a Quincy MBTA station earlier this week. Her **MIGRANTS, Page A7**



Fortunise Cene held her son, Jerry Reny Cene, 1, as the child's father, Jean Dadrick Reny, fed him at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church.

Sol seekers

Saturday: Cloudy, breezy. High: 75-80. Low: 67-72. Sunday: Showers, stormy. High: 77-82. Low: 62-67. Sunrise: 6:09 Sunset: 7:19 Comics and Weather, **D4-5.**

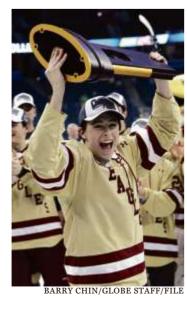
Boston teachers will kick off the new school year with an **expired contract** as negotiators struggle to overcome several thorny issues. B1.

A US subsidiary of Israel-based defense contractor Elbit Svstems has quietly moved out of its Cambridge office, following months of weekly pro-Palestinian protests outside. **D1.**

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Hockey star dies in crash

Johnny Gaudreau, seen hoisting the NCAA trophy for BC in 2012, was killed with his brother Matthew when they were hit by an allegedly drunk driver while biking. C1.

Brewers adjust as craft buzz dies down Sales are decreasing and some in

New England are closing up shop

By Jon Chesto GLOBE STAFF

Millennials are getting too old to hit the pub every night. Many Gen Zers prefer cannabis to beer. And a number of breweries are increasingly pushing ciders, seltzers, and other spiked drinks.

In other words, the onceheady craft beer business has lost its fizz.

It's a story that's playing out across New England as the industry consolidates following years of rapid expansion.

In recent weeks, the owners of Jack's Abby in Framingham acquired Wormtown, Worcester's oldest and busiest brewery. The parent company of New Hampshire's Smuttynose recently reached a deal to acquire Wachusett. Dorchester

Brewing joined forces with

Aeronaut. Ipswich Ale hooked up with Riverwalk.

Meanwhile, some brands are going away. The latest: Cambridge Brewing Co. in Kendall Square, which recently announced it will go dark at the end of the year.

"The shakeout is absolutely here, there's no question," said Dan Kenary, chief executive of Harpoon parent company Mass. Bay Brewing. "A week does not go by when I am not approached about wanting to take a look at a brewery looking to sell, go out of business, or merge."

Have we reached an era of Peak Craft? All signs point to

Last year, 15 breweries opened in the state, while 11 closed, according to the Mas-

sachusetts Brewers Guild and



local blog Mass. Brew Bros. Sam Hendler, of Jack's Abby That net gain of four was the smallest increase since 2010, when there were just 48 breweries in Massachusetts. At the start of this year, there were

Nationwide, overall beer sales have been flat or declin-**CRAFT BEER, Page A7**

in Framingham, said he remains hopeful. When Jack's Abby acquired Wormtown, Hendler hired most of the brewer's workers.