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City says goodbye to 'Revere's Angels'

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Several hundred people gathered at City Hall last Thursday evening for a vigil for "Revere's Angels," the two sisters who were struck and killed by a SUV on the evening of Sunday, Dec. 9 on Winthrop Avenue.

"Tonight there are tears, there is heartbreak, there are no words. But there is love. There is prayer. May our prayers express our support for this family and for Revere's Angels," Mayor Brian Arrigo said.

Adriana Mejia-Rivera, 5-years old, died at the scene of the accident, her 2-month old sister Natasha Nicole died on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

The operator of the SUV that struck the children and three others was driven by 42-year-old Autumn Harris of Beacon Hill who was arraigned on charges of motor vehicle homicide and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. The accident happened near the intersection of Route 145 and North Shore Road. Chelsea District Court Judge

Matthew Machera set bail at \$10,000 and ordered Harris to remain drug- and alcohol-free if she posts that amount.

Prosecutors say Harris was behind the wheel of a 2015 Chevrolet Equinox shortly before 5:00 p.m. when the car left the roadway and struck the victims, who were on a sidewalk along the median strip of Route 145. In a recorded, post-Miranda statement, she allegedly stated that she had consumed one beer earlier on Sunday afternoon, that she had taken prescription and over-the-counter medication to help her sleep the night before, and that she had only slept two hours before working all day. She allegedly stated she had vaped CBD oil in the vehicle and that she might have nodded off at the wheel.

Harris is represented by attorney Jeff Miller. She will return to court on Jan. 10, 2019.

Further charges in the death of the 2-month old are expected.

Rev. Daniel Lazo, from the Immaculate Conception Church, led the crowd in



PHOTOS BY DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN

Father Daniel Lazo, Mayor Brian Arrigo and Councillor Joanne McKenna comfort Edgar Mejia, the father of the two children who were killed on Dec. 9 during the candlelight vigil at City Hall last Thursday, Dec. 13. Hundreds showed up to light candles and mark the tragic incident that saw an out of control driver run down the two young children while they stood on the sidewalk of North Shore Road.

prayer, reminding all that the gift of life is the gift of love and consolation. He asked for the family to be blessed and the Lord to "welcome these

two angels." He prayed for the family to be consoled. Rev. Lazo led the crowd in saying the "Our Father" prayer and offering each other a sign of

peace, a hug, a handshake or kiss on the cheek. The crowd also offered an Ave Maria - See MEJIA-RIVERA Page 2

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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Nicholas G. Granitsas invites those who wish to attend to the First Congregational Church of Revere (230 Beach St.) for a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Monday, Dec. 24, at 6 p.m.

RBC DEDICATES NEW POINT OF PINES SIGN

The Revere Beautification Committee (RBC) dedicated a new sign in the Point of Pines section on Thursday afternoon. The installation of the sign was in keeping with the RBC mission to "improve the image of the city of Revere through an aggressive beautification and clean up program."

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Revere Public Schools clears first hurdle to building a new high school

By John Lynds

For the past three years Revere has been trying to get a plan off the ground to consolidate some old school buildings and build a new high school that will serve the city's students and families for generations to come.

Last week the Revere Public Schools cleared a major hurdle during the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) board meeting.

Last Wednesday the MSBA board voted to invite Revere and 10 other school districts that filed Statements of Interest (SOI) this year to take part in the eligibility process that could ultimately lead to grant money to build a

new high school school here.

"This is news we have wanted to hear for the past three years," said Mayor Brian Arrigo in statement after the board vote. "This assures that future generations of Revere Public Schools students will have the opportunity to avail themselves of the technological features and accommodations that form the pillars of high school education in the modern age."

This year Revere submitted a SOI with the MSBA for consideration in the authority's 'Core Program'. The MSBA's Core Program is primarily for projects that include extensive repairs, renovations, addition/renovations, and new school construction. The MSBA re-

viewed Revere's Core Program SOIs and 69 other SOIs and presented recommendations for 'Further Review' or 'No Further Review' at a May 22 meeting.

At that meeting Revere Schools made the cut and was recommended for an "Invitation to Eligibility", which the MSBA board voted to approve last week.

While the news is good for Revere after several attempts to attain MSBA grant money for a new High School Mayor Arrigo cautioned that a new high school will not magically appear in the city and the process is expected to be long and grueling.

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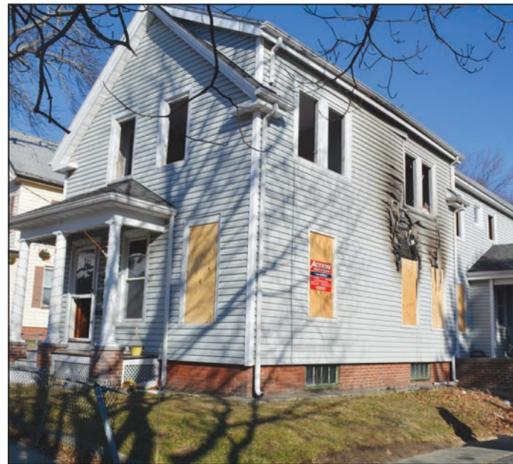


PHOTO BY SUE ELLEN WOODCOCK

The aftermath of the fire at 30 Mill Street left the interior uninhabitable and a family out of a home during Christmas time.

Fire displaces six on Mill Street

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Residents of 30 Mill St. were awakened early Tuesday morning by a smoke alarm and the Christmas tree ablaze.

The Revere Fire Department responded to a 911 call

at the grey two-and a half story home. When they arrived smoke and flames were showing, venting from a couple of windows.

"I believe there was a

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Dear Editor,
 I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus? Virginia O'Hanlon 115 West 95th St. New York, N.Y.

Dear Virginia,
 Your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.

There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal life with which the childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairs! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is not a sign that there is no Santa Claus.

The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that is not proof that they are not there.

Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world. You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture supernatural beauty and glory beyond. It is all real! All Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, may, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

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CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE



Monday night's meeting of the Revere City Council marked the last official meeting for Jessica Giannino as council president. A round of applause for a job well done was given by all her colleagues. Flowers were presented on behalf of the entire council by Council Vice President Joanne McKenna (left).

Maniscalco to intern with Sen. Markey

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Marc Maniscalco will be putting his background of community service to work when he begins interning for U.S. Sen. Edward Markey on Jan. 7, 2019.

He'll be working in Markey's legislative office in Boston at the JFK Building, joining one of three internship teams.

Maniscalco, son of Michael and Dawn Maniscalco of Prince Street, hopes to become a lawyer some day, but wants to soak in as much as he can about government. He is now in his senior year at Emmanuel College where he's focused on American studies, and is applying to Suffolk Law School.

"The good part of politics is getting to help people," Maniscalco said, citing that Markey has a good record of helping people, including

legislation for children with disabilities and their medical care. Maniscalco is also happy with Markey's legislation to lessen the burden of student loans.

"I always like to put an emphasis on community service," he said. "This is a way to do it on a bigger scale."

Since he was a student at Revere High School (Class of 2015), Maniscalco has been an active volunteer in the community — first, as a Sunday school teacher at Christian Assembly Church in Somerville and as a CATCH volunteer at East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Boston. While there, he made sure patients and their families had an enjoyable and memorable holiday party. He also distributed and delivered turkeys to families of the health center. He's also been a camp counselor with the Revere Parks and Recreation, working with



Marc Maniscalco.

youth in Grades K-8. Maniscalco also went on a service trip to assist the homeless in San Diego. There, he assembled care packages at a local food bank.

Maniscalco attended the National Youth Leadership Forum: Law and CSI, George Mason University and Envision: Intensive Law and Trial at Stanford University.

The more he studies, the more Maniscalco wants to be involved in politics.

"I just want to get deeper in to how it works," he said, adding that he thinks of the potential some day to maybe run for office. For now he's ready to work with Markey's constituents and the veterans served by his office.

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"This is a first step," he said. "It's a huge first step, and without it, there is no second step. But now we embark on the long process that only begins with MSBA approval. We move on to feasibility studies, site selection, design, and eventually construction."

The Mayor estimated that the entire process could take six to eight years.

According to the MSBA once a school district is accepted into the 'Eligibility' program it kicks off a 270-day period for the district to complete certain preliminary requirements and benchmarks.

Revere must now draft the district's understanding of the

grant program rules by executing an Initial Compliance Certification.

Revere must then form a School Building Committee and submit the membership to the MSBA for acceptance.

The city will be asked to then complete an Educational Profile Questionnaire to further inform the MSBA's understanding of the district's current and proposed educational facilities, teaching methodology, grade configurations and program offerings.

Other milestones Revere must hit include a certification of a design enrollment for the

proposed project, confirmation of community authorization and funding, as well as an execution of the MSBA's standard Feasibility Study Agreement, which establishes a process for the district to be reimbursed for any new building expenses.

Superintendent Dianne Kelly, who attended last week's MSBA board vote with Mayor Arrigo, said she greeted the news with visions of a new landscape for Revere Public Schools.

"We have made tremendous progress in our school system over the years, but the one missing piece from the equation was a state-of-the-

art high school," said Kelly in a statement after the vote. "Optimistically, I'd envision a new high school at a new site. That would enable us to convert the current high school to a central middle school, and then repurpose our current middle schools as elementary schools. That would allow us to reduce class size across the entire system. It will have a powerful impact on our ability to prepare our students for life after high school, whether that be in higher education or in other pursuits" Both Mayor Arrigo and Superintendent Kelly expressed their gratitude to the MSBA. "Competition across the state

for limited school building funds is intense, and the application process is rigorous," said Mayor Arrigo. "Revere's submission, and the impressive presentation by Superintendent Kelly and the school department's success during interviews and a site-visit, had to be comprehensive, compelling, and practical, balancing the eagerness for a new school with prudent and accountable planning." Arrigo pointed to the current Revere High School, which was built in 1974, as an aging structure that has "fallen far behind the demands of contemporary education."

As surrounding commu-

nities like Winthrop took advantage of the MSBA grant program to build a new High/Middle School complex, Arrigo said Revere has lagged and a state-of-the-art high school facility has been the 'missing link' for a strong school system.

"The world of education is far removed from 45 years ago, and so is our city. Right now, we are undergoing another transformation," said Mayor Arrigo. "We are a community where people want to live and raise a family, as so many generations have throughout our history."

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the fire down. The damage appears to be heaviest on the first floor.

"The second floor would have been alright, but they had

to cut the utilities," Bright said.

Senior Deputy Chief Jim Cullen was the incident commander. Capt. Mark Wolfgang and a trooper for the state fire

marshal's office were called in to do the fire investigations.

Six people have been displaced. The Red Cross is assisting.

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the Hail Mary prayer.

The young parents of Adriana and Natasha, attended the vigil. Numb, with tears flowing they made their way through the crowd. They held each other and the crowd formed around them holding flickering white candles. At one point the young mother buried her face in her hands. Her husband kept closing his eyes.

"Tonight our city mourns. We are shocked at the suddenness and the magnitude of the loss that has devastated the Mejia-Rivera family," Arrigo said. "Tonight we come together as a community to show our grief."

People from all walks of life came out to show their support for the family, who plan to bury the little girls in El Salvador. Many public and school officials attended the vigil, as well as the State Police, EMT's and firemen.

Through an interpreter, the girls' father Edgar Mejia thanked everyone for their

prayers and donations. He said what happened has been very hard and he is in pain that cannot be explained. He also asked authorities to give justice for his daughters.

A woman named Evelyn spoke before the crowd to express the gratitude of the Mejia-Rivera family.

"It's been very tough for them," she said. "They need all our support. This is what we can do for them. Pray. Pray for strength."

Two Go Fund Me pages have been set up for the family and have raised over \$40,000.

Councillors pass motions to safeguard pedestrians

The automobile tragedy that claimed the lives of two sisters on Dec. 9 was on the minds of Revere City Councillors at Monday's night meeting.

A moment of silence for the sisters was offered by Council President Jessica Giannino

Two motions were introduced to safeguard pedestrians walking or crossing the local streets.

The first motion by Council Vice President Joanne McKenna sought to have National Grid repair the street lights that are not working on Winthrop Parkway, Winthrop Ave. and the Revere Beach Parkway.

The second motion by Councillor George Rotondo sought to have permanent guard rails installed at crosswalks, and skip lanes be painted at all major traffic intersections such as where the fatal accident occurred.

The victims were Adriana Mejia-Rivera, 5 years old, who died at the scene of the accident and her two-month old sister Natasha Nicole who died on Wednesday, Dec. 12. The sisters were struck by a motorist as they waited on the median strip to finish crossing the street with their parent and another adult and child.

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Revere Police Department donates \$5,000 to Cops for Kids with Cancer

By Kate Anslinger

Claudia Cardona knows exactly what it's like to remain strong while being faced with adversity. The single mother of two has had her fair share of challenges over the years, but none as great as when her

daughter was diagnosed with leukemia in November 2016.

As the sole provider for her son Lukas, and her daughter, Emilia, Cardona worked hard running a daycare to make ends meet. When she received the heartbreaking news of 6-year-old Emilia's diagnosis,

Cardona had to cut back her work hours, so she could be by Emilia's side while she spent countless hours in the hospital undergoing treatment.

Knowing the burden that is placed on a family when a child receives such a diagnosis, Cops for Kids with Cancer stepped in and donated \$5,000 to Cardona, to relieve some of the financial pressure. The 501c3 paired up with the Revere Police Department to raise the funds which were presented to Cardona last Thursday. In addition to the check, Emilia was showered with Christmas gifts donated by the department.

"This is such a wonderful organization and it makes a great difference in so many lives," said Police Chief James Guido.

Throughout the year, mon-

ey is raised by Massachusetts police departments through various fundraisers, as well as private donations. The mission of Cops for Kids with Cancer is to assist families fi-

nancially, so they can focus on helping their child beat cancer. Every month, the organization donates \$5,000 to eight families, average \$40,000 per month. During the month of

December, they step it up to 13 families, due to the holidays. Since 2003, the organization has raised \$3.5 million by partnering with police departments.



Revere Police Department presents a check on behalf of Cops for Kids with Cancer.



Shown in the photo below from left: Point of Pines Yacht Club Commodores, Charlie MacLaughlin served in 2013. Ron Clark 1998-1999-2000-2001-2002-2005-2006-2007-2008. Jack Glancy 2009-2010-2011-2012-2015-2016-2017-2018. Vin Piccinni 1987-1988, and Bob Clark 1984-1985-1986.

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program."

Members of the RBC were in agreement that the original "Welcome to the Point of Pines" sign was in such deplorable condition that it was a blight on the neighborhood instead of an asset. So, in keeping with its mission, the members voted to fund a replacement sign.

Over a period of several months, the committee worked with a local sign maker, Joe Scimemi. The sign size, the color, and the design were a collaboration between

Joe and the RBC members. Also recognized on the sign was the Martorelli Landscaping Company that generously donates the landscaping done on this island in memory of Edward Shaughnessy, Jr.

Shaughnessy was tragically killed in an automobile accident at age 17 in 2002 while driving home from work. The island in the Pines was dedicated in his memory and has been maintained since that time. But the years had taken their toll on the original memorial sign and it needed to

be replaced.

The Shaughnessy family, longtime Pines residents, agreed that a replacement was long overdue. So, with their approval, the RBC began the process that resulted in Thursday's dedication. The Revere Beautification Committee is proud to have been able to provide the Point of Pines with this beautiful "Welcome to the Point of Pines" sign.

The sign was made by Quicksilver Graftex Sign Company.



PHOTO BY SUE ELLEN WOODCOCK

A new sign from the Revere Beautification Committee in the Point of Pines was dedicated last week. From left are: Ron Champeux, Carol Haney, Gary Ferragamo, Debbie Pescka from the Mayor's office, Annette Bornstein, President Eleanor Viera, Elle Baker from Economic Development and Ward 5 Councillor John Powers.

The Point of Pines Yacht Club's Commodore lineage

Recently the Point of Pines Yacht Club held a Christmas Party and they had the honor to have 4 of the former commodores and the current in attendance. The officers and members of the PPYC are to say the least very family oriented. The members for the most part go generations deep and the friendships are long lasting, due to their common interest of boating, but mostly because of their warmhearted personalities. The yacht club that is tucked away in the Point of Pines area of Revere is truly a hidden treasure. It has a beautiful private beach area for members and a quick entrance to the harbor for the boaters and a parking lot. The

yacht club is very pro community, always willing to lend a hand when necessary and always extending a warm welcome to new members and their families, and hosting community events, like Row-Row-Row to raise funds to fight autism.

A mention of congratulations to Vice Commodore and soon to be Commodore in 2019 Jay Bolton.

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ENJOY THE HOLIDAY SEASON

This is a wonderful time of the year, to paraphrase the song, with holiday music playing in the malls and on our car radios, resurrecting our earliest childhood memories -- even for the younger set -- of Christmases-past.

We choose just the right tree, decorate it carefully with our family-heirloom ornaments, and when we first turn on the lights, it brings a smile even to the oldest among us.

Despite the hectic rushing to and fro, everybody it seems, is in a good mood. We endure the traffic, the long lines in stores, and more, because we know that what we are doing will bring joy and happiness to others.

For those of us with young children, we get to see Christmas through their eyes, giving us a second-chance to experience the wonder and joy that we felt when we were their age.

Although all of us celebrate Christmas in our own way, the common thread is one of peace, joy, and happiness, regardless of religious or secular beliefs. Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or a Seinfeldian Festivus, the spirit of the season imbues us with a sense of togetherness that (unfortunately) only comes once a year.

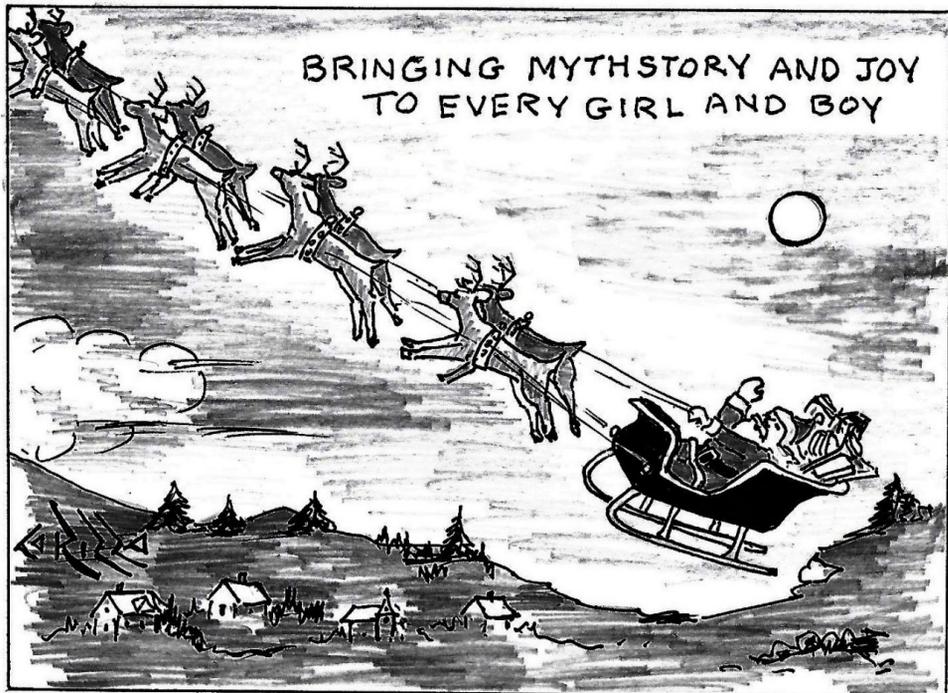
We wish all of our readers a happy holiday season.

ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS -- SAFELY

Christmas this year is part of what for many people will be a four-day weekend, which means that for many of us, we will be indulging in the "Christmas spirit" early and often.

By no means do we wish to cast negative thoughts, but we would be remiss if we did not remind all of our readers to enjoy the holiday weekend safely. This especially means that we should be careful not to drink and drive, not only as to ourselves, but also as to those whom we know and love.

If someone appears to be under the influence, it is incumbent upon all of us not to let that person get behind the wheel of a car. Call an Uber if you have to -- if it is within our ability to prevent a tragedy, we must be sure to do so.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

REVERE THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago Dec. 17, 2008

More than 400 persons, including many from Revere, were on hand at a public meeting in Lynn held by the Mass. Turnpike Authority to voice their opposition to the proposal to double the tolls on the harbor tunnels and Tobin Bridge from \$3.50 to \$7. Winthrop and Revere State Rep. Robert DeLeo was the most forceful public official to speak out against the toll hikes, telling MassPike officials that area residents are fed up with the ever-increasing toll rates.

City Council President George Colella was given a standing ovation by his colleagues at the last meeting of the year. Colella was praised for his efforts to keep the meetings orderly. Colella has served on the council for more than two decades during a political career that began in the 1950s and included serving as mayor for many years.

"Marley and Me," "Revolutionary Road," and "The Day the Earth Stood Still" are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago Dec. 23, 1998

A State Police roadblock on Friday night on the Parkway near Slade's Mill resulted in the arrest of seven persons on various charges, including driving under the influence of liquor.

The Revere Federal Savings bank has completed its reorganization and has sold 438,000 shares of its stock for

\$10/share.

Mass. General Hospital has opened an AIDS/HIV counseling and education center on Ocean Avenue in conjunction with the teen group known as REACH.

"Patch Adams," "Stepmom," and "Mighty Joe Young" are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago Dec. 21, 1988

Revere residents, particularly those in the north Revere area, breathed a sigh of relief this week when MWRA Executive Director Paul Levy announced that he will recommend to the MWRA Board of Directors to choose a site adjacent to the state prison in Walpole, and not Rowe's Quarry, for its sludge landfill.

The courts have lifted an injunction that had prevented the city from revoking the entertainment license for Fasad's Nightclub in the wake of the arrest by the FBI of Tom Caruso, Fasad's manager, on drug distribution charges. The city's License Board had revoked the permit in 1987 because of nude dancing, but the Suffolk Superior Court had enjoined the revocation pending a full hearing.

The State Insurance Commissioner has announced that auto rates will go down by 8.2 percent in 1989, which will mean an average savings of \$85 for Revere auto owners.

Christmas services are planned for local churches over the weekend.

"Working Girl," "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels," and "My

Stepmother is an Alien" are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago Dec. 20, 1978

More than 1,000 persons attended the Revere Historical Commission's fourth annual Sounds of Christmas concert Sunday at St. Anthony's Church featuring the No. Shore Philharmonic Orchestra. Robert Marra of Revere is the orchestra's concertmaster.

Richard Dalton, treasurer of Wonderland Dog Track, has been elected the first president of the newly formed Revere Chamber of Commerce. The group also adopted its charter.

Special programs in local churches will usher in Christmas.

Mayor George V. Colella invites the children of Revere to see the Santa City on display at the Revere City Hall auditorium.

Police are investigating the shooting death of a 37-year old Hyde Park sub shop owner who was found in the front seat of his car on Hopkins Street with a gunshot wound to the head.

The Congregation Tifereth Israel Brotherhood honored four members, Robert Brenner, Samuel Sokol, Carl Hyman, and Oscar Aptaker, for their devoted service to the organization at a breakfast Sunday morning.

John Travolta and Olivia Newton John star in "Grease" at the Kincade Theatre in Winthrop

50 years ago Dec. 19, 1968

Chelsea District Court Judge John W. MacLeod gave a strong tongue-lashing to a group of youths who were arrested on drug charges in Revere, chastising them for using narcotics and contributing to the growing drug problem in the country. Revere and state police raided three Beachmont apartments Friday, arresting 10 persons. An undercover agent said that there is an unusually heavy trafficking of drugs in Revere. State Senator-elect Joseph J.C. DiCarlo, expressing his alarm at the growing drug problem, has filed a series of bills for the upcoming legislative session that will establish a State Police narcotics bureau and increase penalties for drug possession.

Anthony Sasso and John Misci have been elected co-captains for the 1969 Revere High football team. Ann Festa has been chosen the cheerleader captain.

Alan Alda stars in "Paper Lion" at the Winthrop Theatre.

60 years ago Dec. 18, 1958

The City Council has passed a new city ordinance banning parking on one side or on no side of 95 streets in the city to facilitate the travel of emergency vehicles and the plowing of snow during winter. Police will leave cards explaining the new restrictions to first-time violators, but after that, violators will be prosecuted in court.

Santa will come to Revere for his annual two-day visit this weekend. He will arrive by airplane at the Revere Airport Saturday afternoon and then make a tour of the city, escorted by a cavalcade of cars, before stopping at the Moose headquarters, 470 Broadway, for a children's Christmas party.

Three duck hunters were rescued from an ice-covered breakwater off Revere Beach when they became stranded by an unusually high tide after their outboard boat engine refused to start.

Brigitte Bardot stars in "Mademoiselle Strip-tease" at the Revere Theatre.

70 years ago Dec. 16, 1948

Joseph Sullivan of Chelsea, a senior at Immaculate Conception High School, won the Boston CYO's oratorical contest Sunday at Boston College.

The new, colonial-style branch of the National Shawmut Bank, recently completed on Broadway, will open Monday.

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The year was 2000, and Jenny Anzuoni met former President George H.W. Bush (left) and Gov. Paul Cellucci (third from left) at a Boston reception. Also shown is Jenny's son, City of Revere's Director of Finance, Collector/Treasurer, George Anzuoni.

The Revere Journal reserves the right to edit letters for space and clarity. We regret that we cannot publish unsigned letters. Please include your street and telephone number with your submission. The Revere Journal publishes columns, viewpoints and letters to the editor as a forum for readers to express their opinions and to encourage debate.

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SENIOR CENTER NEWS

**Chair Massage
Jan. 7 and 8**

Therapeutic Massage can relax tense Muscles due to overwork or stress. It can also improve the blood supply to tissues, improve energy and alertness and relieve stress and anxiety. Barbara MacDonald Certified and Licensed Massage Therapist will be at Rossetti Cowan Senior Center she will be offering 15-minute chair massage from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$10 per session and although walk-ins will be serviced, it is advisable to call for Reservation at 781-

286-8156. Call the center for additional information.

Monthly Podiatry Clinic

Dr. David Kaplan Foot Doctor will be available at the Rossetti Cowan Senior Center on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019

Only Routine Foot Care including cutting of toenails and trimming of Calluses will be offered. Referrals to other Specialists will be made if necessary for more complicated problems. Services will be a discounted fee of \$20 per visit.

Hearing Program

Free Frequency Test and case History Analysis, as well as cleaning are available with Mary Marino at the Rossetti/Cowan Senior Center, 25 Winthrop Ave. for Elderly Residents the next hearing date will be Thursday, Jan. 24, from 10 a.m. to noon appointments are suggested but walk-ins will be serviced if time allows

**Blood Pressure
Individual Conference**
Dec. 20, and Jan. 3



Nina Deangelo, Barbara Stoddard, Loretta Papa, Louise Dorr, Marguerite Nott, and Irma Accettullo are at Irma's Boutique table. Irma, along with Ty Smith, have received various trinkets including jewelry, pins, and other small items. They have set up a table and sell various pieces to seniors at extremely low costs. They are actually fundraising for the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center.



Maryellen Doherty, Nancy Monkiewicz, Grace Pierro, Lucille McCarthy, and Brenda Lee display handmade Christmas coasters made by Maryellen. These ladies are part of the jewelry-makers who meet each Monday to make various types of pins and other wearable ensembles. If you'd like to join all you have to do is top by the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center.

Movie Wednesday
December 26, 2018 TBA

sauce, Mashed Potato, Mixed Vegetable, Cranberry Sauce, Cake, Milk, Coffee, Tea

**Lunch Schedule
Dec. 20 - Dec. 26**

Thursday, December 20th
CHRISTMAS DINNER
Baked Ham w/pineapple

Friday, December 21st Fish Sandwich, French Fries, Clam Chowder, Assorted Desserts, Milk, Coffee, or Tea
Monday, December 24th
REGULAR Breakfast Menu

... NO LUNCH ...Senior Center Closes as 12:00p.m.

Tuesday, December 25th
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CENTER CLOSED

Wednesday, December 26th Cheese Pizza, Minestrone Soup, Christmas Cookies, Coffee, or Tea

POLICE NEWS

**BROKE INTO
BUSINESSES**

Revere Police have charged a 73-year-old Pleasant Street man with breaking and entering into two businesses, and are investigating whether he tried to break into others on Dec. 12.

On the same night on Dec. 12, police responded to a break in at Parkway Liquors and then late at Esquina del Sabor on Unity Avenue. A third possible break is still under investigation.

At Parkway Liquors, the

man allegedly tried to get in, but fled when the alarm was triggered.

In Beachmont, the man broke into a barber shop next to Esquina and was trying to tunnel through the walls. However, he never made enough headway to get in, and gave up on the venture.

Nevertheless, police were able to use surveillance video to identify him and make an arrest.

Gerald Pini, 73 of 16 Pleasant St., was charged with two counts of breaking and entering a building in the night for

a felony, two counts of possession of burglarious tools, and three counts of malicious destruction of property over \$1,200.

**THREATENED WITH
KNIFE**

A 14-year-old juvenile has been charged with threatening another girl with a knife on Dec. 11.

The incident took place on Kimball Avenue around 4:11 p.m. on Dec. 11. The two girls were familiar to one another and encountered one another

off school property. One of the girls produced a knife and threatened the other with it.

The perpetrator was identified and arrested.

The 14-year-old juvenile was charged with assault and battery and assault with a dangerous weapon.

**ATTEMPTED TO
STEAL PURSE**

A Revere man has been charged with attempting to commit a crime after he allegedly tried to steal a wom-

an's purse while he sought a handout at the stoplight.

Around noon on Dec. 12, the man was asking for money at the American Legion Highway/Revere Street intersection. At one point, he passed by a car that was stopped and allegedly spotted a woman's purse in the passenger seat. The woman said he attempted to open the door to get the purse.

Wayne Clements, 56, of 17 McKinley St., was charged with attempting to commit a crime.

SEACOAST ASSAULT

A 17-year-old student at the Seacoast High School has been charged with assault by means of a door.

Around 12:19 p.m. police were called to the school for a confrontation between two students. During the scuffle, the 17-year-old allegedly used a door to assault the other student.

A 17-year-old juvenile was charged with assault and two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (door).

WEEKLY CRIME Report

Journal Staff Reports

House Breaks: (0)
Commercial Breaks: (0)
Motor Vehicle *Thefts/Breaks: (6)
*Washington Avenue; Gage Avenue; Parkway; Everett Street; Lee Burbank Hwy;

and *Abruzzi Street.
Motor Vehicle Accidents: (26)
Brown Circle (2); Copeland Circle; Mahoney Circle; Squire Road; Harris/Eustis; Broadway; Broadway; Broadway/Cheever; North Shore Road; American Legion Hwy; American Legion Hwy;

Hwy; Broadway/Park; Naples Road; Broadway; Crescent/Winthrop; Shirley Avenue; Parkway/Broadsound; North Shore Rd; Everett Street; Lee Burbank Hwy; Squire Road; Broadway; Squire Road; and Gordon Road.

House Parties/Loud Stereo Complaints (after 9 p.m.): 2

ARREST Report

MONDAY, DEC. 10

James Logue, 24, of Meredith, was arrested on a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs.

TUESDAY, DEC. 11

A 17-year-old juvenile was arrested on charges of the common law crime of interfering with a police officer while performing his duty and resisting arrest.

A 16-year-old juvenile was arrested on three outstanding warrants and on a charge of resisting arrest.

Kevin Bejar, 20, of Everett, was arrested on two outstanding warrants and on a charge of trespassing.

A 14-year-old juvenile was arrested on charges of assault by means of a dangerous weapon and assault and battery.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12

Gerald Pini, 73, of 16 Pleasant St., was arrested on charges of two counts of breaking and entering into a building in the nighttime with intent to commit a felony, three counts of causing malicious destruction of property over \$1,200, and two counts of illegal possession of burglarious instruments.

A 17-year-old juvenile was arrested on two counts of assault by means of a dangerous weapon and assault.

Dionne A. Younge, 34, of New Bedford, was arrested on charges of shoplifting (third offense) and causing malicious destruction of property less than \$1,200.

THURSDAY, DEC. 13

Talia M. Piazza, 24, of Winthrop, was arrested on a charge of shoplifting.

FRIDAY, DEC. 14

Two juveniles, ages 14 and 15, were arrested on a charge of assault and battery.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15

Edwin Alvarado, 31, of Everett, was arrested on charges of assault & battery and disorderly conduct.

SUNDAY, DEC. 16

Terri Ann Harris, 31, of East Boston, was arrested on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, operating an uninsured motor vehicle, and two counts of leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage.

Revere Police awarded grant to reduce impaired driving

Staff Report

Mayor Brian Arrigo and Chief of Police James Guido announced that Revere Police was awarded a special grant from the Highway Safety Division (HSD) of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) to increase the number of impaired driving patrols during the holiday season.

Revere Police will join other departments across the state and the State Police in the national *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over (DSOGPO)* enforcement mobilization and public information campaign.

"When an impaired driver is behind the wheel, everyone is at risk - passengers, other motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists," said Chief Guido of the Revere Police Department. "These funds will in-

crease the number of impaired driving patrols over the holidays. Regardless of the type or level of impairment, if a driver is operating the vehicle in a dangerous manner, they will be stopped."

The education component of the DSOGPO campaign, "Plan ahead. Get a Ride", will stress the importance of engaging a sober driver, using public transportation or a ride-share service before celebrating this holiday season.

"Arranging for a sober ride home before celebrating should be a part of everyone's plans for the holiday season," said Jeff Larason, director of the EOPSS Highway Safety Division. "In 2016 alone, impaired drivers took the lives of 79 innocent people in our state. This campaign recognizes the important role cab, ride-share drivers, MBTA operators or a sober friend will-

ing to take you home, play in reducing the number of people killed in impaired driving crashes."

Massachusetts Data:
•Marijuana was the most prevalent drug found in drivers involved in fatal crashes from 2012-2016.

•From 2012-2016, an average of 10 percent of all drivers involved in fatal crashes were found with both alcohol and drugs in their system.

•From 2015 to 2016, alcohol impaired driving fatalities increased 41 percent (105 to 148).

•In 2016, impaired drivers killed 79 people - an increase of 19 fatalities from 2015.

•From 2011-2015, 82 percent of impaired drivers in fatal crashes were men.

•From 2011-2015, 45 percent of all alcohol-related driver fatalities were ages 21 to 34.

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OBITUARIES

Joanne Cicatelli

Former proprietor and operator of Discoveries Plus II in Boston's Back Bay

Joanne M. (McCormack) Cicatelli of Revere, passed away at Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital on Thursday, Dec. 13, following a long illness.

Born and raised in Cambridge, Joanne was a 1956 graduate of Cambridge Girls' High School. She continued on with her vision of becoming a hairstylist and was a graduate of Boston Hairdressing Academy. In 1967, Joanne opened "Discoveries Plus II" in Boston's Back Bay. She ran and operated the facility until retiring in 2009.

Joanne's work ethic and her wonderfully large personality drew many people to her "Shoppe." Not only were people, properly coiffured, they were considered extended family to her and her staff.

She leaves her beloved husband of 57 years, Louis J. "Lingo" Cicatelli. She is the devoted mother of George W. "Billy" Harrison and his wife, Nina (Sciliano) of Revere and the late "Bobby Love"; the cherished grandmother of Brianna Harrison and her partner, Joshua of Cleveland, Ohio, George W. Harrison of Revere, Dr. Louis Cicatelli and Christina Cicatelli of Topsfield and the late Joseph W. Harrison; the dear sister of the late John J. "Lucky" McCormack and his late wife, Dolores C. (Beck) McCormack, Thomas V., Robert F. and Joseph J.



McCormack. She is also lovingly survived by Lawrence "Larry" Cicatelli and his lifetime partner, Michael Doran-grichia of Wisconsin and Louis J. Cicatelli Jr. and his wife, Jean of Topsfield. She was the proud aunt to Carolyn L. McElroy and her husband, Kenneth C. of Shirley, formerly of Cambridge and is also survived by several other nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. She is also devotedly survived by her great-grandchildren: Joseph A., Rosalyn E., Malachi, Quill, Lincoln, Louis and Christina.

Funeral arrangements were by the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rte. 107) Revere.

Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. For more information, please visit: www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

William 'Billy' Grayson, Sr.

March 1, 1956 — December 11, 2018

William "Billy" Grayson, Sr. of Winthrop, formerly of Chelsea, passed away unexpectedly in his Winthrop home on Dec. 11. He was 62 years old.

Billy worked for most of his life as a master plumber, most recently at Revere Housing Authority. He enjoyed fishing, rooting for the Red Sox and morning coffee with his buddies.

Billy will be fondly remembered as a devoted family member and a giving friend.

He was the husband of Andrea Grayson of Revere, devoted father of Maura Grayson of Revere and William Grayson, Jr. of Andover; the loving son of the late Virginia M. (Garity) Grayson, formerly of Salem, and the late Bernard T. Grayson, Sr.; dear brother of Dorothy Grayson and her husband, William Papa, of Salem, the late Virginia Grayson, formerly of



Chelsea, Bernie Grayson, Jr. and his wife, Cathy of Tewksbury and John Grayson and his wife, Lori of Reading. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

In keeping with Billy's wishes, no services will be held. Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Anthony Memorial - Frank A. Welsh & Sons, Chelsea.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit; www.WelshFuneralHome.com.

James Furlong

Retired Boston Police Officer



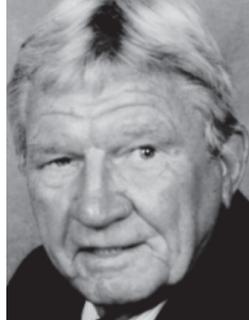
James E. Furlong, a 40-year resident of Revere, formerly of Charlestown, entered into eternal life on Saturday, Dec. 15 at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Nursing Home in Roslindale. He was 97 years old.

James was born in Boston on Oct. 11, 1921, a son of the late Thomas Furlong and Bridget (Fortune) Furlong. He grew up in Charlestown where he was educated at St. Francis De Sales Parochial School and graduated from Charlestown High School. He entered the U.S. Navy on Dec. 18, 1941 and served his country with honor and courage during World War II. He was honorably discharged on Oct. 3, 1947, with the rank of Storekeeper First Class.

James joined the Boston Police Department in 1949 and was assigned to several different areas throughout the city. He retired in 1987, following 38 years of dedicated service to the City of Boston.

He was a member and Past President of The Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association, Bunker Hill Council #62 Knights of Columbus, Revere V.F.W. Post and Revere Elks. He was very active in City of Revere civic organizations for many years and also enjoyed playing golf and cards.

James was the beloved hus-



band of the late Dorothy M. (McFadden) Furlong, the devoted father of Donna Burke and her late husband, Thomas, David Furlong and his wife, Barbara, Debra Furlong and her husband, Joseph Rock, Denise Furlong and her husband, Dana Levy, Doreen Rizzo and her husband, Dave and the late Diane Furlong; the loving grampy to nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and the beloved brother of the late Ann Keenan, Walter Furlong, Lester Furlong, Thomas Furlong, Marion Furlong, Nicholas Furlong, Agnes O'Neil and William Furlong. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were by The Carr Funeral Home, Charlestown. In lieu of flowers, kindly make memorial donations in James' name to The Boston Police Foundation www.bostonpolicefoundation.org.

Jerry 'The Barber' Ruggiero

Of Danvers, formerly of Revere



Jerry "The Barber" Ruggiero of Danvers, formerly of Revere, died on Dec. 17 at the

age of 85. Jerry proudly served his country in the United States Navy during the Korean War.

The beloved husband of 33 years to Rosemarie Ruggiero (Ferrante), he was the devoted father of Bernadette Ruggiero and Anthony Ruggiero, both of New Hampshire, Frank F. Castagno Jr. and his wife, Lisa of Belmont, Carla Salvitti and her husband, Thomas of Saugus and Laurie Granito and her husband, Samuel of Danvers; cherished grandfather of Lauren, Kristina, Alisa, Olivia, Samantha, Sammy, and



Frankie; dear brother of Carmen Ruggiero and his wife, Connie of Methuen, Joseph Yebba of Florida, and the late Mary Tufo, Mary Festa, Phillip Yebba, Anna Yebba, Fred Yabba, Tony Yebba, Lena Ray, Michael Yebba, Nicholas Yebba and Jenny Sirois. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

His Funeral will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Friday, Dec. 21 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A visitation will be held on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 500 St. Jude Pl, Memphis, TN 38105-9959. For guest book please visit www.Buonfiglio.com

City mourns honorary firefighter Mike Carroll

By Sue Ellen Woodcock

Michael J. Carroll who passed away on Dec. 10, had been around the Central Fire Station for years, lending his support to everyone in the department.

Carroll was most recently honored by Revere Fire Chief Christopher P. Bright who awarded Michael, at his bedside at Brigham & Women's Hospital, with Revere's First Honorary Firefighter Badge (Squad #51).

Services for Carroll, 36, were held this past weekend from Vertuccio and Smith, followed by a funeral mass at the Immaculate Conception Church. Michael had waged a seven-month battle with Congenital Heart Disease at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston.

During his calling hours Carroll was adorned with firefighter patches from all over the nation.

Chief Bright said Carroll has been at the Central Fire State since he was old enough to ride his bicycle coming from his home on Cooledge Street.

"He was interested in everything, like a sponge soaking up everything he could see at the fire station," Bright said. "He'd watch the firefighters as they did their station duties. Cleaning and fixing the equipment. He was interested in everything," Bright said.

Michael would also follow the trucks to the scene of a fire. The someone gave him a portable radio so he could listen to the dispatchers and learn where the calls were. Then someone gave him a 35mm camera and he started taking photographs to show everyone. His fire photos

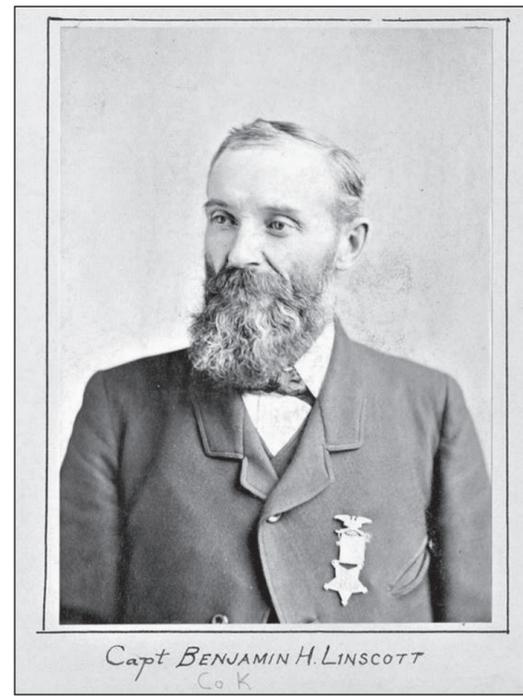


Michael Carroll.

were published several times over the years by the Revere Journal.

"He was always very helpful, always very thoughtful, very giving and loving type of person," Bright said. "He really became part of our family. He always extended himself to people. He was like the ambassador of good will."

Michael was the beloved son to John F. Carroll of Revere and the late Marna S. (Kelley) Carroll. He is the adored grandson to Jean Kelley-Martin of Revere and Joseph A. Martin. He is the devoted brother of Brian J. Carroll of Revere. He is the proud godson and nephew to Colleen C. Kelley and her husband, James Wakeley of Lynn and the cherished nephew to Lance A. Kelley his wife, Diane and Donna J. Dicks and Cynthia A. Welch, all of Revere and Lorraine Brown and her late husband, Chelsea Police Sgt. Weldon Brown, Joseph Carroll and his wife, Maryann all of Chelsea, Patricia Smith of Billerica, June Carroll of Everett and the late George Carroll and his late wife, Janet.



Capt. Benjamin H. Linscott.

Breaking up a 19th Century burglary ring on Chelsea (Revere) Beach

One of the earliest officers of the Massachusetts State Police, was Benjamin H. Linscott, who gained notoriety for a shootout with a burglary gang on Chelsea Beach (now Revere Beach) in 1866. Linscott was born in Alfred, Maine, in 1833 and married a New Hampshire woman when he was 21. They would have two sons. Like many other early officers of the MSP, which was formed several weeks after the end of the Civil War, Linscott was a veteran of the Union Army, having served with the 40th Infantry Division. In the MSP's infancy -- July of 1865 -- William Sterling King, chief constable of the newly-formed State Police, appointed Linscott as a State Police Deputy Constable. On Sept. 5, 1866, Linscott and fellow Deputy Constables James P. Wade and James W. Kirk began surveillance of three men who were gambling

and behaving suspiciously on Chelsea Beach. The deputies followed the men north to Beverly by train and horse-drawn wagon, and several days later were waiting for them as they returned on a road leading to Chelsea Beach. The deputies confronted the men at 4 a.m.; a struggle ensued as the deputies tried to arrest them. Linscott was shot in the knee, and one of the suspects was fatally shot four times by Deputy Wade. The second suspect was captured, and the third, though shot three times, escaped. As for the burglars' ill-gotten gains, the deputies recovered some \$4,000 in silver stolen from two homes on West Beach in Beverly. Linscott continued to serve as a constable for two more years, and later worked as a grain inspector. He is believed to be the first State Police officer shot in the line of duty.

Birthday Remembrance



ARTHUR R. MARINO, SR.

Dec. 13, 1922

You are loved each day.
You are missed each day.
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Rest in Peace

Your Loving Family
XOXO

Merry Christmas

Puppy & Papa & Colm



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All our life
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Residents passed the candlelight through the crowd as a sign of keeping the light of life shining.



Parents and children were prevalent at the sad vigil, which marked the loss of two children, one age 5 and one only 2 months old.



Mayor Brian Arrigo speaks to the crowd to try to offer the most difficult of consolations. Beside him are (L-R) Father Daniel Lazo, Councillor Joanne McKenna, Councillor Steven Morabito, State Rep. RoseLee Vincent, Council President Jessica Giannino and Councillor Arthur Guinasso.



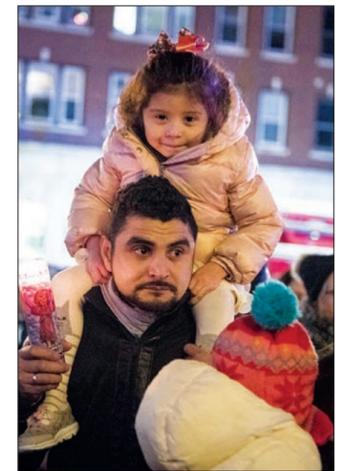
In front of Christmas trees, one Revere resident holds a candle for a less festive situation. It was a somber moment for the hundreds that attended.



Hundreds of residents turned out at City Hall for a candlelight vigil to remember the two young children killed by a driver on Winthrop Avenue Dec. 9.



Members of the family of the two children were wrought with grief.



Juan and Gabriela Rojas Arrevillaga were there to comfort the family.



Councillor Tony Zambuto contemplates the moment during the candlelight vigil.



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Sports

RHS SPORTS Roundup

RHS boys basketball open season with 73-68 win over Peabody

The Revere High boys basketball team accomplished something Friday evening in front of a packed house at the Roland Merullo Field House in their season-opener that took them until Jan. 30 of last year -- they earned their first win of the season.

The Tanners of Peabody came in confident after disposing of the Patriots twice last year by a combined 56 points, but as the visitors soon found out, this is a whole new season for the Revere High boys basketball program.

The Patriots started off slowly with some early-season jitters in front of the big home crowd and fell behind early, 8-2.

However, senior center Nick Ciciulla made two consecutive baskets and senior co-captain guard Scotty Montefusco (11 points with three three-pointers) nailed a corner three to cut into the Tanner lead, leaving the Patriots trailing 14-13 at the first buzzer.

The teams exchanged baskets to start the second period, but the depth of Revere's bench started to show, as junior guard Amara Bockarie's (three steals, four assists) pressure defense, along with senior co-captain Sebastian Vanegas's (seven points with two three-pointers) energy and leadership and sophomore forward Wilfredo Martinez's (four points, two steals) contributions helped to push the Patriots out to a seven point advantage late in the first half.

Peabody pushed back, led by senior forward Mike Tansey (21 points, eight rebounds), who made some tough shots down the stretch, and Revere would go into halftime with a slight lead, 37-34.

The third quarter proved more of the same as both teams would go on scoring spurts to take the lead back-and-forth. Junior forward EJ Leone, who was asked to defend Peabody's returning NEC All Star Chris Canela (who scored just two points on the night), also contributed on the offensive end, leading the Patriots with 19 points and grabbing five rebounds.

"One of the keys to the game was EJ's and Amara's ability to contain Canela," said RHS head coach David Leary, who is in his third season at the helm of the Patriot boys program. "He averaged 25 points in the two games against us last year, but not this time."

The Patriots expanded their margin to 10 points late in the third frame, but Peabody senior guard Joangel Lugo hit back-to-back three-pointers, including a buzzer-beater, to trim the Revere lead to 56-52 entering the final eight minutes.

The Patriots turned to their senior forward, Omar Bendjahene (18 points, five rebounds), who made some athletic moves to the basket to create some separation, powering Revere on a nine-point run for a 65-52 lead with 3:04 remaining in the contest.

However, Peabody refused to fold and responded with a run of their own that cut the Patriot lead to five. The momentum had definitely shifted to the visiting Tanners, but when the ball swung around to sophomore forward Dillan Day (eight points, eight rebounds), Dillan drained a huge trey from the corner to give Revere a little breathing room.

The Patriots made a stand on defense and Vanegas dropped in a three-pointer to push the Revere lead to 71-60. Peabody was forced to foul



Nicholas Ciciulla (#1) on defense.

in the final minutes and poor free throw shooting by Revere allowed the Tanners to keep it close down the stretch.

Though the Tanners continued to attack on offense, ultimately the tenacious Patriots would not allow the contest to slip away and held on for a 73-68 victory.

"I am really proud of the toughness and togetherness we showed, but we have to keep our emotions in check," said Leary. "We gave them seven points on technical foul shots and we made just five-for-16 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter. You are not going to win many games doing things like that."

"That being said, we have a lot to improve on, but these kids work extremely hard and are committed to progress," Leary added.

The Patriots were set to play at cross-town rival Chelsea Monday night and will host Somerville tomorrow (Thursday) at 7 p.m.

RHS SWIM TEAM WINS OPENING MEETS

The Revere High swim team opened its season on a high note with victories over Medford and Lynn Classical this past week.

Last Tuesday the Patriots defeated Medford, 97-71. "That was a big meet for us," said RHS head coach Chris Hill. "Last year Medford beat us by two points, so the kids were eager to have a rematch

this season."

Two days later the Patriots hosted Lynn Classical at the Garfield School pool and swam to a 92-79 victory.

"That meet was really tough because Classical has a dive team and we don't, so they started out ahead 6-0," noted Hill. "We were able to tie the score in the first event by taking first and third in the medley relay. After that we never trailed again."

The medley relay quartet of Isabella Veraldi, Leila Cescic, Sonia Salazar, and Olivia Winsor qualified for the Sectionals Championship in that race with a time of 2:09.23. Another superb performance in the Classical meet was turned in by sophomore David Del Rio, who swam to victory in the 200 IM in a time of 2:12.60, a clocking that qual-



Sebastian Vanegas (#10) attempts a three-point shot. See more photos on Page 14.

ified David for the Sectionals. Other winners in their events for the Patriots in the two meets were as follows:

Medford meet:
200 medley relay and 400 free relay: David Del Rio, Ashton Hoang, Reked Caushaj and Andrey Carvalhais;

200 IM and 100 Back: David Del Rio;

100 Butterfly and 100 Free: Andrey Carvalhais; and 100 Breast: Ashton Hoang; Lynn Classical:

200 Medley and 400 Free Relays: David Del Rio, Ashton Hoang, Reked Caushaj, and Andrey Carvalhais;

200 Free: Patriots Ashton Hoang, Reked Caushaj, and Alexandra Burke swept the race;

200 IM and 100 Back: David Del Rio;

50 Free: William Arias, Leila Cescic, and Jeffery Martinez completed a Revere

sweep; 100 Butterfly and 100 Breast: Andrey Carvalhais; 100 Free: Leila Cescic; and 200 Free Relay: William Arias, Badr Gliel, Miguel Leonarte, and Ahmed Khalid.

Hill also cited the fine efforts of Hassan Gliel and Sonia Salazar, both of whom swam the 500 free in both meets.

"Although Hassan and Sonia didn't win, they scored a lot of points and showed a great willingness to swim such a difficult race," said the coach.

The Patriots were set to be back in the water yesterday (Tuesday), hosting Swampscott at the Garfield pool. Their next meet is scheduled for after the holidays on Jan. 4

at Somerville.

BARBOSA DOUBLE-WINNER FOR RHS GIRLS TRACK TEAM

The Revere High girls indoor track team raced to its second victory in as many starts of the young season with a 61-25 victory over Everett Wednesday evening at the Merullo Fieldhouse.

Luana Barbosa was a double-winner for the Lady Patriots for the second straight meet. Luana captured the high jump with a leap of 4'-6" and topped the field in the high hurdles in a time of 8.7 seconds.

"Luana had another great

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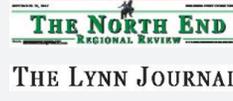
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Amara Bockarie (#42) brings the ball down to Revere's side.



Donato Colarossi (#2) makes his way around the Tanners.



EJ Leone (#23) puts the ball to the net through three Tanners.



Omar Bendjahene (#3) makes the lay up.



Wilfredo Martinez (#32) passes the ball.

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Scott Montefusco (#11) makes a three-point shot.



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Over the past six months, Councilor-At-Large Michael Marchese has been pushing forward a plan that would give landlords more leeway to prevent apartment inspections without first notifying the landlord.

The proposed change has raised the ire of James Soper, the City's Inspectional Services Director, as well as public safety personnel. The major issue has been the wording in the ordinance which requires the City to notify landlords before conducting an inspection.

In effect, Soper and Fire Chief Tony Carli said this would prevent tenants from requesting an inspection if an inspection is taking place in another unit and would limit inspections of units where inspectors believe there may be an emergency situation, such as a fire or gas leak.

"I'm asking you not to

change the ordinance," said Carli at Monday night's City Council meeting. "It is one of the biggest tools we have to fight problems in homes."

Marchese countered that his proposal has nothing to do with safety. He said inspectional services is required to do an inspection before occupancy of a vacant unit and any common areas in a building.

"They are supposed to do an inspection so it is safe for new tenants, so I am not sure what the issue is," he said.

What the ordinance does do is prevent inspectors from entering other parts of a building, or other units, without first contacting the landlord.

"We have no intention of running amok," said Soper.

But, he added inspectors should have the right to inspect an area if they believe there is an illegal unit or if they are asked to inspect a unit by another tenant.

"The change (the council-

or) does not seem to be getting the wording in Section D, which limits inspectors to go into another apartment if asked," Soper said.

He said Marchese's changes would also violate state law.

Ward 1 Councilor Fred Capone presented an amendment to Marchese's proposed changes that he said would be fairer to tenants and still help protect the rights of landlords. That amendment will be taken up in committee before coming back to the Council for a vote.

"The intent is to stop tenants from piggybacking on apartment inspections," Capone said. Unless it was an emergency situation, Capone said tenants would have to contact Inspectional Services for a separate visit.

Soper said he would be happy to give more input into Capone's amendment in committee.

"I feel bad that the coun-

cilor (Marchese) spent six months on this, when it should have been stopped from day one," said Ward 5 Councilor Rosa DiFlorio. "I want to make sure we do not put language on the books that is not enforceable."

In other business, the Council voted to postpone a request from the mayor to transfer funds between several City department salary accounts.

The Council did accept a \$1,000 donation from Schnitzer Steel Industries for the city's toy drive, and a donation of \$600 from the Carmen A. Schiavo Association for the city's Department of Veteran Services.

In the plastic bag realm, the Council had a first hearing of an effort to ban thin plastic bags, a ban similar to the one in Boston that goes into effect this Friday, Dec. 14.

The Everett ordinance would now go to committee for further discussion. One

aspect, however, that was stressed by councilors is that any retailer who has a surplus of plastic bags would have one year after the enacted ban to use them up without getting fined. A similar ban in Chelsea was pushed back last year by many retailers who said it would levy more costs upon them.

CITY ANNOUNCES WINTER STORM PLANS

EVERETT - With the snow season now upon us, the City is well prepared for both snow removal and emergency measures. The Mayor recently met with his senior staff to ensure that the procedures, staffing, and supplies for snow removal and parking enforcement are effectively in place.

The City has reaffirmed their strategy for notifying residents of parking bans. Parking bans and restrictions will be implemented and enforced ahead of storms to

ensure that cars have been removed before the snowfall, so that plows can properly remove snow from streets. Once the decision has been made to declare a snow emergency, the information will be made available to residents through robo calls, postings on ECTV, social media, website and by the activation of the blue emergency lights along main arteries. Residents can also call 311 for any information.

For this snow season, December 2018 - March/April of 2019, the year used for parking bans will be 2019 - an odd numbered year - thus vehicles should park on the ODD side of the street. For secondary streets, where parking is normally allowed on both sides, when a snow emergency is called parking is ONLY allowed on the side of the street where the house numbers are odd. This would apply for the entire snow season. As always, there is no parking permitted on main arteries.

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