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#### 350 MASS ACTION **ENDORSES GRAVELLESE FOR** STATE REP

350 Mass Action's State Political Team, representing 350 Mass Action chapters from across the state, has unanimously endorsed Joseph Gravellese for State Representative for the Suffolk 16th district, including parts of Revere, Saugus, and Chelsea. 350 Mass Action is a statewide network of volunteers dedicated to addressing climate and environmental challenges, by moving toward a just, healthy, and sustainable energy future. "While some state-level progress has been made around climate protection and environmental justice issues, there is much more to do," said 350 Mass Action Political Manager, Cabell Eames. "The health and prosperity of our cities and towns requires that Massachusetts prioritize these issues. We are happy to endorse Joe Gravellese because we expect him to be a climate champion in future Legislatures."

# **RHS SOFTBALLERS RECEIVE AWARDS AT** ANNUAL ALUMNI SOFTBALL GAME



Coaches Briana Scata and Jenna Wells are shown with RHS Seniors and their trophies they were presented for their academic and athletic achievements. Sonia Salazar, Mike Della Russo Athletic Award and the Walter E. Tye Memorial Swimming Award, Capt. Katie O'Donnell, RHS Academic Award and the Leonard J Randall Award, Capt. Eve Lescovitz, GBL Scholar Athlete ward and the Vanessa Ardagna Memorial Award. See more photos on Page 14.

# **RHS "Social Distance" graduation to take place** Tuesday, Aug. 11 at Harry Della Russo stadium

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COVID-19

March.

#### By John Lynds

Everybody can agree the Class of 2020 across the United States got a raw deal.

For hundreds of Revere High School (RHS) seniors, the last year of high school is a right of passage and one that is remembered for a lifetime. The final year of high school is usually filled

with a tremendous amount celled.

of excitement and accom-However, Revere Public School Superintendent Dr. However, the Class of Dianne Kelly informed the 2020 has been living in school committee recently that Revere High is cona strange time since the pandemic tinuing to honor the wishes shuttered schools back in of the Class of 2020 and allow them to take the lead on The usual traditions of how graduation will be afsenior prom, senior day ter the June celebration was

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# **Turkish Cultural Center hosts food drive**

and, above all, graduation

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Adha (Feast of Sacrifice) ham's obedience to God as his beloved son. Mahmut Bekin of the Humanitarian Aid Group at the TCC

# **Council, School Committee** select Jannino-Elam to **Regional School Committee**

#### By Cary Shuman

Melissa Jannino Elam will succeed her father, the late Ronald Jannino, as Revere's representative on the Northeast Regional Vocational School Committee.

Mr. Jannino served with distinction for 35 years on the Committee before his passing on June 20, 2020. He was usually one of the top vote-getters in the Northeast school district, a tribute to his popularity and his dedication to his job.

Under the Northeast Regional Vocational School Committee's rules on succession, the local boards select the new representative to the Committee. The Revere School Committee and City Council held a joint meeting July 27 and unanimously selected Elam to the position.

"I just want to thank you all – Mayor Arrigo, the City Council, the School Committee - for giving me this opportunity today," Elam said following the vote. "I really appreciate being able to complete the term that my father left sadly and suddenly vacant. I have cherished watching him for the last 35 years shape and advance the technical education in the city. And I hope that in the next three months that I can do half as much as he has for the City of Revere and Northeast Voke and I appreciate it."

Elam, 45, said she has watched her father serve on the Committee "practically my whole life. - and I'm very proud of his record."

Revere has the second highest number of students enrolled at Northeast among the 12 communities in the district. Mr. Jannino paved the way for many Revere students to attend the school. Graduates have gone on to enjoy successful careers in various trades or to attend college.

Elam works for a food service distributor. "I work with a lot of chefs, so I work with people who come from vocational education back-

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Eastie teen charged in connection to fatal Revere Beach Boulevard shooting

By John Lynds

day, July 26 when Troopers from the State Police-Revere Barracks and Revere Police responded to a shooting.

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The Humanitarian Aid group under the Turkish Cultural Center (TCC) held a meat drive on Monday, August 3rd for Eid al

According to Islam, the Feast of Sacrifice commemorates Prophet Abra-

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Mayor Brian Arrigo (center) stands with members and officials from the Turkish Cultural Center behind care packages filled with meats, supplied by the Turkish Cultural Center and fresh produce, provided by the City, set to be delivered to families in need in the city as part of the TCC's Food Drive for Eid al Adha (Feast of Sacrifice).

## **Zoning Board of Appeals approves two projects**

#### By Journal Staff

The Revere Zoning Board of Appeals voted to approve a change to one project on Shirley Avenue and voted again to allow a 36-unit apartment building to be constructed on Washington Ave. at its meeting last Wednesday afternoon.

The project at 191 Shirley Ave. initially had been approved by the board as a

four-story building in late 2019, but the developer, Craig Halajian of Cambridge, came before the board seeking to add a fifth floor that would have eight additional single-bedroom units

Atty. Cory Rhoades, who represented the developer, told the board that because of the pandemic, financing would be easier if the developer could increase the number of rental units. He noted that even with the fifth floor, the building still would remain within the height restrictions of the area. Rhoades added that the additional floor would blend in nicely with the new buildings in the neighborhood that the board had approved at their June meeting.

Although parking issues concerned the com-

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An East Boston teen has been arrested in connection with the fatal shooting of Yaseen Butt, 20, of Revere outside Twist and Shake ice cream shop on Revere Beach Blvd.

State Police and the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office said Felix Martinez, 19, of East Boston had been charged in Butt's death. Martinez was taken into custody last Thursday, four days after the fatal shooting.

The incident occurred just after 10 p.m. on Sun-

Troopers and Officers were on scene within minutes and located a 20-yearold male, later identified as Butt, suffering from a gunshot wound. The victim was conscious upon Troopers arrival and was transported to Massachusetts General Hospital, where he was later pronounced deceased.

Preliminary investigation suggests the shooting

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#### SEN. MARKEY STOPS IN REVERE



Mayor Arrigo introduces U.S. Senator Ed Markey to say a few words and greets him with the ever popular elbow bump. See more photos on Page 24.

# For the latest news in Revere that you need to know, check reverejournal.com

#### Wednesday, August 5, 2020

# **Rev. Nick Granitsas retiring from First Congregational**

#### By Cary Shuman

The Rev. Nicholas Granitsas, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Revere, is retiring on Aug. 31 after 46 years of service to the church.

"The people in my church usually call me

'Pastor Nick' and the people in the community call 'Reverend Nick' so that's usually what I go by," said the Rev. Granitsas in an example of the great, personal relationship he has enjoyed with parishioners and residents alike.

Asked why he was retir-

#### CHEEVER AWARDED LITTLE RICKY 'CASH FOR COLLEGE'



This years winner of the Little Ricky Autism Foundation "cash for college" scholarship is Erika Cheever. The scholarship is awarded yearly to a Revere High School senior who shows compassion, interaction, and friendships within the autism community as well as maintaining excellent grades. We are proud to have Ms. Cheever be this year's recipient. She is continuing her education at Salem State University. Congratulations Erika!!

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In their decision, 350 Mass Action stated that the endorsement was based on Mr. Gravellese's background fighting for a safer environment, more aggressive action against dangerous climate change, and effective government action at both the local and statewide level.

"I'm honored to have the backing of all three environmental groups who have endorsed in this race," said Gravellese, who was previously endorsed by the Sierra Club and by Sunrise Boston, two other prominent environmental advocacy organizations.

"These endorsements represent not only my background and experience working on these issues, but also the way I've run my campaign - with a commitment to fighting for more transparency at the State House, a pledge to refuse donations from fossil fuel executives, and detailed and honest conversations with voters about my priorities when it comes to environmental legislation."

The Democratic primary election for State Representative will be held on September 1.

#### ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL



ing at this time, the beloved spiritual leader replied, "It's time. I'm going to be 71 on Aug. 23 and we have a younger guy [Associate Pastor Tim Bogertman] who's been with me for 13 years and it's his time to lead. He will be the Senior Pastor as of Sept. 1."

The Rev. Granitsas started at the church on July 1, 1974.

"The church was very small when I came here, said the Rev. Granitsas. "Above half the congregation was born in the 1800s when I came here. One of my regular attendees was born in 1881 and she faithfully came to the church every week. The church has been in this location since 1849, but our original church building is where the Revere Counseling Center is located on Beach Street. The original First Congregation Church was built in 1710 and that's the oldest church building in Suffolk County."

The Rev. Granitsas grew up in Marlborough and graduated from Harvard College. He continued his education at the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Wenham.

"I came to Revere when I was 24 and there was a small congregation and they decided to take a shot with a young guy," said the Rev. Granitsas. "I preached a service at the church, met with all the people, and they conducted a congregational vote and they voted to call me."

It was between his high school and college years that the Rev. Granitsas decided to enter the clergy.

"It was during that summer after high school, I was really thinking about my future and I had really come to have a really strong faith in high school and I believed God was calling me into the ministry and it was confirmed by a lot of other people I spoke to. So when I started at Harvard, I was actually headed to the ministry but I was there as a regular student – I wasn't studying theology, but I did take some courses at the Harvard Divinity School."

The Rev. Granitsas said he is leaving "a very vibrant, very vital congregation that is very involved in the community.

The Revere Food Pantry has become a much-needed facility in Revere. Its service during the COVID-19 pandemic was outstanding and helped many Revere residents.

"We've been running the Food Pantry for 37 years and the last four to five months, it's been vital to Revere," said the Rev. Granitsas.

Mayor Brian Arrigo, who volunteered at the Food Pantry as a student at Revere High School, said that the Rev. Granitsas was a "wonderful personal influence" in his life.

"For 46 years, Reverend Nick Granitsas has personified the idea of charity, public service, and community spirituality in Revere," said Mayor Arrigo. " In whatever way he could serve the community, he did. On a personal level, Reverend Nick was a wonderful personal influence for me, as I volunteered at the Food Pantry under his leadership,



Reverend Nick Granitsas stands in front of the First Congregational Church.

and I learned some very basic values of generosity and public service. Reverend Nick's departure will leave a void in his spiritual community, for sure, and it will have an equivalent effect throughout our city. Reverend Nick always will be regarded as an icon of public service. We wish Reverend Nick a healthful and fulfilling future, and for sure he will always have a welcome place here in the City of Revere."

During his ministry, The Rev. Granitsas supervised bible study and prayer groups and worked with youth and young adult groups. First Congregational also has ministries at area nursing homes and has conducted English As A Second Language classes.

"We had 110 students from 17 different countries in the classes," said the Rev. Granitsas. "We've been doing it for about a dozen years. We also do a Caring Hearts Ministry which is a ministry to help the homeless population with their different needs."

First Congregational's "Reach The Beach" summer program has helped the church unite with 17 other churches in the area.

The Rev. Granitsas said he has confidence in his successor, the Rev. Tim Bogertman. "He's a great guy. He's a really, good solid man. I'm very proud of him. He came here when he was 29 years old. I've seen him develop all the wonderful gifts that he has and he's going to do a great job."

A farewell celebration had been planned for the Rev. Granitsas, but it was postponed due to the coronavirus.

"I'm going to absolutely miss the parishioners," he said. "I'm very sad about leaving them. I just know it's time. I know It's the right thing to do so I'm doing it, but not because I'm looking forward to it."

# RHS Graduation // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

cancelled.

RHS Principal John Perella said he was proud to announce 405 graduating students will be celebrating the Class of 2020 at the Harry Della Russo Stadi-

state, and local health organizations, we are planning an intimate and safe graduation," said Perella. 'This includes maintaining social distancing and wearing face masks. The class of 2020 has demonstrated a degree of fortitude, civil engagement, compassion, and community like no other class I have ever been involved in. I am very proud of them and appreciate how they have helped RHS become a better school. I am very much looking forward to their celebration.'

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missioners, Rhoades noted that there will be 24 spaces, instead of the 23 that were approved initially because of a reconfiguration of the compact car parking.

case. The developer did not plan to return to the Board, but the COVID-19 has had an impact on financing."

O'Brien also said that the first floor of commercial do not own cars, which can be verified by city officials with the excise tax bills.

The other development that received unanimous approval by the board was been there since 1978 will be removed.

Speaking in favor of the proposal was O'Brien, who noted that the project would greatly improve the area. O'Brien added that the city will realize more than \$380,000 in permitting fees and the Community Improvement Trust Fund that will be available for major repair projects on sidewalks and streets, as well as for recreation and open space, in the neighborhood. Two neighbors opposed the project. One neighbor, Joyce Baressi of Washington Ave., expressed her fear that the project will increase the traffic even further in the neighborhood. She said that the neighboring residents already are dealing with heavy traffic volume every morning and night, noting that it is difficult at times for her to get out of her driveway. The commissioners unanimously approved the project, with the proviso that on-street parking will not be allowed for the tenants and that each unit will have one designated parking space regardless if it is a one bedroom or two bedroom.

um, on Tuesday Aug. 11--as is traditional for RHS. "In order to meet the guidelines of the CDC,

Joe Gravellese stopped by the home of former Revere City Councilor Steve Reardon to drop off a yard sign. The longtime public servant is supporting Gravellese in his bid for State Representative in the 16th Suffolk District.



government meetings, some of which will now take place in hybrid form. You may have seen this format used for all of the meetings on Monday, July 27. The hybrid meeting model includes most council or committee members in the Council Chamber at City Hall, some present via Zoom, and all public participants attending via Zoom. The format of city meetings may still vary moving forward. Some will be hybrid, and others will still take place fully virtual.

The RevereTV government channels have not changed on television. This channel is 9 on Comcast and 13 and 613 on RCN. All government meetings or covered City Hall messages will also be viewable on our YouTube and Facebook pages. Our username for both is RevereTV.

The new RTV studio has not yet been open to the public, but we still consistently air community programming on our channels. The RTV community channel is 8 or 1072 on Comcast, and 3 or 614 on RCN. The RevereTV schedule on this channel is always full, mostly with community member content, and also city event coverage. To highlight some shows, "Kim's Got Crafts," is an arts and crafts program that airs on Thursdays at 7pm and Saturdays at 8:30am, and 'Revere Reads," a quick read-aloud storybook program, is on every morning at 8am. On weekdays, you will continue to see the "Senior Series" fitness videos and "The Senior FYI," both produced by RevereTV in partnership with the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center.

In any spare time slots on the schedule of the community channel, you will see past coverage of the Revere Beach National or International Sand Sculpting Festivals. This week, RevereTV is playing the full event from 2014. Playlists of all past festivals can be found on our YouTube page, but one cohesive video of each year's festival will be playing weekly on our community channel throughout the summer. Check it out!

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commissioners wanted to see each commercial rental space on the first floor have at least one space and possibly two spaces. As for the residential units, the renters will have to sign a lease stating that they do not own cars. It also was pointed out that renters will be unable to obtain a resident parking permit.

Robert O'Brien, the city's Director of Planning and Development, noted, "This is an exceptional

WANTED Parking Space in Beachmont Revere, area of Crescent Ave and Winthrop Ave. I will shovel it out. 781-286-1635

space will have "a vibrant use."

Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky supported the project, saying, "The building looks good and other building on the same street will be going five stories."

Although there was no opposition to the request, Michael Tucker, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, still had reservations about the number of designated parking spaces for commercial tenants and said he would like to see two spaces per commercial tenant.

The motion passed unanimously with the following provisions: That there will be no fewer than one designated space per commercial unit and, if needed, then each commercial tenant should have two designated spaces. In addition, the residential apartments can be rented only to tenants who



Rhoades, also representing this developer, DCM Realty of Wakefield, said, "This is an exciting project," noting that the lot is adjacent to Route 1 South and is more than half an acre in size.

Rhoades told the board that this development will be similar to other buildings in the neighborhood, but with less density. He pointed out that another developer could have brought forward a project with 50 to 75 units, but DCM opted for a smaller project that will have well-manicured landscaping, both front and rear.

While there will be only one parking space per unit, the billboard sign that has

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followed an alleged altercation.

Martinez was arraigned in Chelsea District Court on charges including murder, assault with a dangerous weapon and armed robbery, according to prosecutors.

Prosecutors said Martinez allegedly stole two backpacks, one that was worth \$800, from Butt and an acquaintance of Butt's after Martinez and an accomplice flashed a gun at the pair.

Later, Butt and his friend allegedly confronted Martinez about the stolen backpacks and got into an altercation. Martinez and others chased Butt and after he fell to the ground they allegedly beat and kicked him.

During the attack Martinez allegedly shot the 20-year-old Revere resident.

"Yaseen's (Butt) life was stolen over a backpack," District Attorney Rachael Rollins said in a statement. "This violence and complete disregard for human life is unacceptable."

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# **EBNHC** launches campaign for high risk COVID-19 patients

#### By John Lynds

Dr. Jim Pedulla, Medical Director, Neighborhood PACE of East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), said this week although the incidence of coronavirus has lessened since April and May in Massachusetts, it is still very present in the state, with hundreds of new cases every day.

"It is thus very important that we continue to take every precaution to protect ourselves and others from the spread of this very contagious virus," said Pedulla.

Dr. Pedulla said this is especially important for older adults, especially those older than 65, who are at a much higher risk for becoming very sick or dying from infection. Other persons at high risk include--but are not excluded to--people with multiple chronic conditions such as cancer, chronic kidney disease, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), transplant recipients, obesity, heart disease, or diabetes.

In response to keeping the high risk population safe, EBNHC has launched a campaign aimed at paying particular attention to the needs of the high risk community living here. While the COVID 19 pandemic has been particularly devastating for those at high risk for serious illness, the Health Center has adopted throughout the pandemic to help residents stay safe at home, stay safe while out in the community, and stay safe and feel comfortable

in accessing the EBNHC's services.

According to EBNHC Director of Strategy, Hollis Graham, RN, BSN about one quarter of all Health Center patients fall into the 'high risk' category.

"A large percentage of the health center's patients fall into the COVID-19 high-risk category," said Graham. "We want to make sure we are doing more than meeting their health care needs. We want to make it easier for our community to access the tools needed to keep themselves safe."

Graham said that after months of isolation it has become apparent that it may be more risky for patients with chronic conditions to not maintain routine check ups. Graham said first and foremost EBNHC's high risk patients should not delay care for chronic issues. She said EBNHC is taking great precautions and extra safety measures to meet the needs of high-risk patients who need to access care onsite.

"An impressive number of medical visits can be handled virtually, either telephonically or by using a video app," said Graham. "But for visits that do require in-person care, the health center has made safety its number one priority. In addition to routine cleaning and disinfection of facilities, all staff members, patients, and visitors are efficiently screened for symptoms before entering EBN-HC sites and are reminded to always wear a mask. The health center has also reconfigured patient flow, center has a long reputation

#### EBNHC RAMPS UP COVID TESTING AT ORLEANS ST. SITE

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBN-HC) has ramped up efforts to get more Eastie residents tested for COVID 19 and launched a campaign this week to promote its Orleans testing site that will run through Aug. 19.

The Orleans COVID testing site at the EBNHC's 164 Orleans Street parking lot provides testing six days a week for Eastie residents as well as residents from Everett, Chelsea, Revere and parts of Boston. The site provides both a walk-thru and drive-thru testing options and is free to the public.

All residents need to do is call 617-569-5800 to preregister and patients do not need to have symptoms to get tested.

from the number of people allowed in an elevator at one time to the speed at which patients are escorted to exam rooms after check in. The focus is on social distancing and making sure patients feel safe. EBNHC asks patients to come alone to appointments if possible to reduce crowding and contact but urges patients to seek care when needed."

One EBNHC patient said, "I thought I was going to have to go without care for months, but I am still getting the care I need and the same quality of it, so I am really happy about that."

Graham said the health

"We are testing symptomatic and asymptomatic patients. Non health center patients are welcomed for testing," said EBNHC's Michelle Hagerty. "We are only testing patients three years and older at the testing site. Patients younger than three years old need to contact their Primary Care Physician."

The hours of the testing site are 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday through Friday for the drive-thru option and walk-thru testing will be conducted from 1 p.m-5 p.m.

On Saturday drive-thru testing will occur between 10 a.m.-12 p.m. while walk-thru testing will occur from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. The testing site is closed on Sunday.

for caring for special populations. From its grassroots beginnings 50 years ago, the health center's mission has been to invest in community wellbeing.

"During this pandemic, the safest place for everyone, especially those among the high-risk, vulnerable population, is to stay at home," she said. "To facilitate staying at home, EBNHC rolled out virtual medical visits, increased meals-on-wheels deliveries for senior citizens, increased American Red Cross food access, and started a door-to-door mo-



An EBNHC Medical Staff member conducts a Telehealth visit with a Health Center Patient.

bile vaccine clinic for pediatric patients."

As Massachusetts reopens Graham said EB-NHC, in partnership with community agencies such as Action for Boston Community Development, has launched awareness campaigns to help keep community members safe when they leave home.

"While it is still safer to stay home, these campaigns provide resources to highrisk community members to help keep them safe if and when they venture out, such as washable, reusable face masks and fact sheets to curb COVID-19 misinformation," said Graham. Some of these supplies are mailed directly to high-risk patients and others are distributed directly within elderly housing complexes."

Echoing Graham, Dr. Pedulla added that high risk patients should always wear a mask (with multiple layers of fabric) in public; maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from others except those you live with regularly; wash hands regularly with soap and water or alcohol based hand sanitizer for at least 20 seconds; avoid any crowded locations unless absolutely essential, and if so, always maintain mask use, six foot distancing, and hand washing; and finally don't go out to public places if you are sick.

"But, if you are having physical symptoms, don't delay seeking medical care out of concerns for the virus-every precaution has been taken to protect patients, and it is important that symptoms are addressed promptly," said Dr. Pedulla.

If you or someone in your family would like to make an appointment, schedule COVID-19 testing, or receive information on any EBNHC's services including elder care programs, contact the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center at 617-569-5800 or visit www.ebnhc.org.

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added, "On this day, God sent his angel Gabriel and provided Abraham a ram in place of his beloved son. Since then, it has been celebrated by Muslims to commemorate this day by sacrificing animals such as cow, sheep and goat in memory of Abraham's devotion."

tural Center will commemorate this year's Feast of Sacrifice to help the needy bring meat to their tables. We have vowed to distribute 300 pounds of meat to Revere," Mahmut Bekin said.

Mayor Brian Arri-

of meat, each weighing 6 pounds, with all necessary labeling to 50 families. The City of Revere matched those 50 packages of meat with a package of fresh produce for each family as well. "Events like this are exactly what we need and Revere's office of in our city. They bring our community closer together and allow us to better assist those in need," Mayor Arrigo said.

# **Revere Democratic City Committee** will announce endorsements Aug. 13

#### By Cary Shuman

The Revere Democratic City Committee (RDCC) will announce its endorsements of candidates on Thursday, Aug. 13 for the Tuesday, Sept. 1 Democratic Primary.

tative candidates Joseph Gravellese and Councillor-at-Large Jessica Giannino and U.S. Senate candidates, Sen. Edward J. Markey and Congressman Joe Kennedy III.

RDCC Chair Dimple Rana said the Committee members of the Committee will vote immediately following the candidates forum and announce its endorsements the next day.

The RDCC Candidates Forum will begin on Aug. 12 at 6 p.m. and be available for viewing via nounce the endorsements ZOOM. "Everyone is welcome to watch the forum,' said Rana.

Muslims are obliged distribute two-thirds of the meat to people in need. "The Turkish CulHealthy Community Initiatives worked alongside the Humanitarian Aid Group to distribute 50 packages

The Committee will make its decision after its Aug. 12 candidates forum with State Represenoriginally planned to anat an RDCC meeting on Aug. 15. But instead, the 33

#### 2020 Revere Annual Summer Food Program



Mayor Brian Arrigo together with the Revere Public School Committee and the Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly has announced that the Revere Public Schools will sponsor the Summer Food Program for its 25th summer. The program will provide free breakfast and lunch to children 18 and under from June 22, 2020 to August 27, 2020.

Children will receive meals for all 7 days. Distribution will be Mondays (3 day pick up) and Thursdays (4 day pick up) at the Beachmont School and Revere High School from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The goal of the Revere Summer Food Program is to serve nutritious meals that are well balanced and supply the required nutrients that children need. The Revere Summer Food Service Program was established to ensure that children could continue to receive free nutritious meals comparable to those served under the National School Breakfast and School Lunch Program during the school year.

For more information, please call Revere Summer Food Service Program Director, Pauline Lyons at 781-333-2063.

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# WAITING FOR THE BIG ONE

As we are writing this, we are awaiting the arrival of Hurricane Isaias, which is the earliest-ever ninth named storm of a hurricane season.

Although Isaias was a weak Category 1 hurricane when it made landfall in the Carolinas and will be a tropical storm by the time it reaches us, it is forecast to combine with a storm front out of the west by the time it reaches New Jersey, bringing heavy rain to western New England and strong winds to eastern New England, similar to what Hurricane Irene did in late August of 2011.

Irene caused widespread power outages in Eastern Mass. (we recall losing all of the contents of our freezer in the basement) and the same is being forecast for Isaias, so we trust that all of our readers are prepared for some degree of inconvenience in the coming days.

Although Isaias will not cause major damage, the record number of named storms already this season gives us pause. Climate change undeniably is occurring in ways that are not fully understood, but one thing that is clear is that the number and severity of tropical storms are on the increase.

Climate change is bringing warmer ocean temperatures, which are the jet fuel for tropical storms. And for the record, the ocean temperature in Boston Harbor these past two weeks uncharacteristically has been above 70 degrees, which is wonderful for swimmers, but a harbinger of bad things to come.

The Hurricane of 1938 still stands as the fiercest hurricane ever to strike our part of the country, a once-in-ahundred years weather event. In terms of the odds alone, we are overdue for another major hurricane. But with the effects of climate change factored into the mix, it is clear that Mother Nature could do some serious damage if another coastal storm makes its way here.

So as with everything else in life, it's just one day at a time as we await the inevitability of The Big One to strike.

# DEATHS ARE ONLY PART OF THE COVID STORY

Whether the subject is drunk driving, gun violence, or COVID-19, the headline that grabs our attention always is the death toll, of which there tragically have been more than 150,000 of our fellow Americans from COVID-19.

However, what often goes unreported are the large numbers of injuries, whether caused by drunken drivers, guns, or the coronavirus, that have life-altering consequences for victims.

Recent studies have shown that even individuals who are totally asymptomatic when they contract COVID-19 still are likely to have long-term, if not permanent, damage to their heart, lungs, brain, kidneys, and other organs.

With respect to the heart, a study revealed that more than 3/4 of a group of 100 relatively young and healthy persons who contracted COVID-19 had some degree of visible heart damage -- 76 had evidence of a biomarker signaling cardiac injury typically found after a heart attack -- two months after the virus had cleared their bodies.

We still are learning about the coronavirus, but as time goes on and as our nation lurches ahead with no strategy to contain the pandemic, thereby endangering the lives and health of all of our citizens, it is becoming increasingly clear that COVID-19 is a far more insidious threat than initially had been thought. And as we learn more and more about how damaging COVID-19 can be to even healthy individuals, it is hard to imagine reopening schools and businesses without a national strategy and adequate funding to ensure the health and safety of our people.

#### ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS Dear Editor

The rejection by the City Council of Dimple Rana's appointment to the future Human rights Commission is a discomfiting chapter in Mayor Arrigo's recent attempt to address the needs of all members of the Revere family. Oddly, even as

#### members almost unanimously lauded Ms. Rana's efforts in the city, praising her both her competence and accomplishments. The objections to her appointment ranged from the mundane to the cringe-worthy. But it's pointless, I think, to attack the Council members opposed, or to besmirch their motivations. What's done is done. Rather, I'd

they rejected her, Council

like to issue them a challenge. Many of those most adamant in their opposition to Rana also most loudly proclaimed their commitment to fighting racism. Well, now is a time like no other. These Councilors should expedite the creation of the HRC and, moreover, ought to began immediately developing plans to ensure that the vast numbers of folks in our community, not born in the U.S, can fully participate in city government both through access, and through elected and appointed positions. You say it's all about Rana and Rana only. Prove it. The skeptics say you're playing to the fearful mob. You said differently. We await your actions.

Joseph M. McHugh

GUEST OP-ED

# Investing in small businesses, during and after the crisis

By Joe Gravellese, candidate for State Representative

Small businesses are the backbone of any community. A just and equitable revitalization of areas like Revere Beach, Route 1 Saugus, and downtown Chelsea requires strong, locally-owned businesses, which not only add economic vibrancy to a community, but also provide a bulwark against displacement. The need to support small businesses is now even more urgent in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

of these short-term changes permanent, and give businesses the flexibility to try new, creative ideas. This includes making sure that licensing and permitting requirements are focused

page for starting a business in Revere, and to create "e-permitting" to make the process of getting started easier and more convenient. We need to invest in additional resources like

energy, or in retrofitting existing buildings. We need to invest in job training programs for these jobs, make sure local vocational schools and community colleges are equipped to prepare residents to move in to them, and ensure that Massachusetts rightfully emerges as a global leader in wind and solar technology.

# Forum



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• Making permanent reforms that give more flexibility to small businesses

In the wake of COVID-19, local governments got creative about green-lighting ideas for businesses that would normally require months of red tape.

Kowloon in Saugus and Easy Pie in Revere have hosted drive-in movie nights. Restaurants like Demaino's, Dryft, and the Hammersmith have expanded their outdoor patios, including occupying street or parking lot space to create more safe opportunities for dining. "Togo" cocktails are available for pickup at your favorite restaurants. on public safety, and not on stifling competition. It also means continuing to monitor abuses of employment law, like noncompete clauses, which big businesses often use to depress innovation and competition.

• Investing in locally-owned businesses and workers

As a region, we must invest in thoughtful workforce development programs that train local residents of all backgrounds to participate in the 21st century economy.

This means ensuring that when the new Revere High School is built, it is equipped to train students for the jobs of the future, including space for robotics, biotechnology, and life sciences. It also means ensuring the school has a vocational and technical component to give more students access to career education.

Revere, Chelsea, and Saugus need partners at the state level to unlock investment in programs that support small food vendors, artists, and other unique enterprises.

When I worked in the Mayor's office in Revere, I worked on projects to create a one-stop landing

We need to make many c

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• Creating Walkable, Vibrant, Accessible Spaces

The best way to help small businesses thrive is to create safe, walkable, vibrant spaces, especially near transit. State-level grant funding has been crucial in upgrading infrastructure in key corridors like Broadway and Shirley Ave in Revere.

Continued upgrades to transit are also crucial. By strengthening bus service and reimagining the commuter rail, we will increase the number of neighborhoods with access to a workforce and a customer base.

• Recognizing that internet is essential

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted both the necessity of the internet, and the gap in internet availability. Businesses need quality internet access to participate in today's economy, and customers need the internet to connect to commerce and to jobs. But we can't rely on monopolistic cable companies to expand internet access.

Several communities around Massachusetts, including Chicopee, have invested in community or municipal-owned broadband programs. Communities like ours should explore similar options to make sure our residents have access to the tools they need to participate in the economy.

• Supporting green-collar enterprises

The working-class jobs of the future will be "green-collar" jobs in clean • Short-term COVID-19 relief

In coming months, small businesses will need continued support from the government to stay afloat. This means another round of small business loans to help businesses keep employees on their payroll and remain open. It also means continued state-level investment in PPE and sanitation supplies to provide to local businesses to allow them to operate safely.

We need state-level support to ward off economic devastation, especially in hard-hit communities like Chelsea, where local leaders recently called on the Governor to provide additional support for programs like food and rental assistance. If the local workforce and customer base can't afford to pay rent or for essentials, businesses will suffer, too.

Our region needed thoughtful investments in workforce training and community development even before this crisis - but now, as we recover, these efforts are more important than ever. I am committed to championing small businesses and local entrepreneurs if elected to serve the 16th Suffolk District.

Joe Gravellese is a candidate for State Representative in the Democratic Primary election on September 1 in the 16th Suffolk District (Revere, Chelsea, Saugus).

#### GUEST OP-ED

# Human Rights Commission was wronged

#### By Steven Morabito

A Human Rights Commission's purpose is to promote basic human rights and to also review and investigate complaints of discrimination and violation against basic human rights. These Human Rights are inherent to all people, no matter their nationality, residence, sex, origin, color, religion, sexual orientation, language or any other status. Also, to promote inclusive events and diversity education.

A Human Rights Commission should be a team that anyone can count on when they have a question or issue with their rights. What may work in other cities, such as Boston (10 times our population) and Cambridge (double our population), may not work quite as well for our city.

The City Council should be a team that works for the people of Revere. Last Monday night, Councillors Richard Serino, Gerry Visconti and Patrick Keefe made it clear of their intention and definition of a Human Rights Commission when they blindsided me as their colleague, and the people of Revere, sending an illusion that it was a feel-good resolution on their part.

I worked hard and passionately on reinstating an HRC. Serino, Visconti and Keefe created a resolution and quickly pushed it through the City Council and onto the Mayor's desk, with none of the heavy lifting and compassion needed to make the reinstatement of the HRC seem important to the people of Revere. It was a "cut and paste" then "pass the buck" resolution right behind my back as

well. This lack of inclusion is the same problem so many feel throughout the community.

First: The HRC is a volunteer commission. Councillors Serino, Visconti and Keefe's resolution recommends it be a paid commission with a stipend, adding more to our city budget. Just a few weeks prior, my fellow councillors cut less than "1000th of a percent" of the proposed budget. This didn't even put a dent in the budget, but it definitely put a dent in the morale of city workers.

Second: This resolution sets preference that the HRC Director be an attorney at-law. The HRC Director will have the same voting power and responsibilities as any other member selected to be a member of the HRC, except the director assumes a clerk's role and sets meeting dates and chairs the meetings. Why the same preference is not suggested for all HRC candidates for that Committee?

Third: Also, the city of Revere already has a Solicitor whom provides legal guidance to committees. Another point: The City Council is the most powerful board in the city. As City Councillors, we research, amend and create local laws.

I ask my colleagues: Would a lawyer best serve their constituents in comparison to city councillors, especially where they also study and practice law regularly?

Fourth: The chairperson of city boards and commissions have always been selected by the Mayor, then sent to the City Council Subcom-Appointments mittee for approval and recommendation, followed by a City Council vote as

#### a whole. This resolution calls for an additional step in the process.

The process calls for an interview subcommittee to recommend two candidates, of which, the mayor is to select one candidate to go before the council subcommittee for approval.

This is not the same process and is NOT the same standard in selecting any other chairperson or director for any other city, board and department. The same expectation should be set across the board, not just for the HRC Director.

A good resolution should be a resolve to a matter, not a further complicating factor that adds so many more moving parts. Try running a City Council meeting or a Subcommittee without a chair or president - it does not move forward and function without one! This is why this resolution is seen as slowing down and stalling the establishment of an HRC.

There is so much to say about the timing and the insensitivity of this resolution that I invite my colleagues to an open forum with ample time to further discuss the HRC, their resolution along with their rationale.

Human rights are personal to everyone and this is why so many citizens feel the reinstatement of the Human Rights Commission was wronged by the resolution.

One does not open a lock with a fork. You open it with a key. The key here is transparency and working together for the benefit of our community.

Steven Morabito is a Revere Councillor-at-Large.

# GUEST OP-ED

# Looking at the research on Human Rights Commissions

#### By Dimple Rana

At the July 27 City Council Appointment sub-committee meeting, Councillor Councillor Gerry Visconti repeated several times that there are 21 Human Rights Commissions in the state and of the seven boards that have executive directors, six are attorneys. According to research that I compiled, the facts are as follows, I hold a Master in Public Policy from Tufts University. I report that the Commonwealth has 33 Human Rights Commissions or Committees, six have Executive Directors who are attorneys, one of which is a city solicitor, three are departments which include the city or town's Human Rights Commissions as a program or initiative of the city's overall work towards Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Of the 33 Human Rights Commissions, 11

that are not lawyers - instead administrative assistants, clerks, Director of Human Resources, and liaisons to the Mayor's Office.

All but one of the 33 HRC's have a Chair or Co-Chair position, in which currently only eight are lawyers or have a legal background. Of the 33, which I have researched, not one commission or committee lists that there must be a lawyer as an Executive Director. In Revere, the requirements for an executive director are as follows: "the role of executive director should be discharged preferably by an attorney of law who has a background in adjudicating violations of civil rights."

All of the appointments of the various 33 cities and towns Human Rights Commissions are made either by the mayor or the city council or a combination of both. The Human Rights

passed by the Revere City Council or July 27 lists that "the position is properly advertised and in which the candidates are interviewed by a committee composed of (1) the Mayor, (2) three members of the City Council appointed by the Council President, and (3) two members of the School Committee appointed by the Chair of the School Committee. The five members of the sub-committee who are not the Mayor shall recommend two final candidates to the Mayor, who shall select and appoint based on those final two recommendations.

At the City Council Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Approval Meeting on June Councillors-at-Large 29, Anthony Zambuto, Jessica Giannino, George Rotondo, and Gerry Visconti, Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna and Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino voted

tain personnel who would have additional responsibilities in a newly structured city government. However, these same Councillors and others voted yes on July 27 to approve "the stipend of the executive director of the Human Rights Commission should be equitable and comparable to the clerks of other boards and commissions of the City". Previous to this resolution the positions of Executive Director and Commissioners of the Human Rights Commission are listed in the ordinance as unpaid volunteer positions. Why did the City Council make cuts in key personnel salaries that they "justified

as giving raises during a pandemic", but a month later approved a full-time paid clerk's position which previous to this meeting was a volunteer position?

Again, I ask that Councillor Visconti release his research and data on Human Rights Commissions around the state. I also ask Council President Patrick Keefe, Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino and Councillor-At-Large Gerry Visconti who sponsored the Human Rights Resolution to release their research and data used to create this resolution which like none of the other Human Rights Commission's go to the extreme lengths in creating barriers for a clerk's position and further stalling the creation of the commission which our city has needed and should have never become deactivated 21 years ago.

You can see the full research compiled by me, which I am currently asking peers and residents from across the state to review. edit, and comment on at: https://cutt.ly/DR\_HRC\_ Research

Dimple Rana holds Master of Public Policy from Tufts University.



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# House passes jobs bill to spur economy amid pandemic

#### Staff report

Faced with an economy buffeted by COVID-19 Speaker DeLeo joined with his colleagues in the House to pass a bill to give a shot in the arm to the state's economy by legalizing sports gaming, facilitating housing development and providing more than \$450 million in state funding to spur growth.

"During tough economic times, it's vital that we turn to time-honored tactics, innovative tools and creative ideas to create and preserve jobs in Massachusetts," said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D-Winthrop). "I'm grateful to Chairs Ferrante, Michlewitz, Honan and my colleagues in the House for their work on this bill that will shore up and spur our economy."

"As the Commonwealth continues to grapple with the COVID pandemic, I am proud that the House is taking every measure we can to attempt to offset and mitigate the economic burden our residents and businesses are facing," said Representative RoseLee Vincent (D-Revere). "I am happy to support the provisions in this bill, and thank Speaker DeLeo for his leadership on this legislation which will preserve jobs and help to stimulate economic growth in Revere and across the Commonwealth."

"This comprehensive piece of legislation includes a number of items that will offer some much needed relief to the Commonwealth's economy from small businesses loans and grants, relief to our struggling restaurants, and reforms of our housing laws," said Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Chair of the House Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston). "The items contained in this bill represent a wide variety of priorities of the membership of the House and I want to thank my colleagues for their input and feedback. I look forward to continuing to work on this legislation and see it passed in a timely fashion."

The bill pairs initiatives to improve the housing market for buyers while providing protections for tenants. It authorizes the Housing Choice concept, reducing the voting requirement for

a range of housing-related zoning changes and special permits at the local level, from a two-thirds threshold to a simple majority. The legislation also creates a local option for the tenant right to purchase/ first right of refusal to purchase buildings landlords put up for sale, increases the low-income housing tax credit from \$20 million to \$40 million, and requires DHCD to notify tenants they have a right to mediation with landlords prior to the eviction process.

The bill establishes the Rural Jobs Tax Credit for businesses that make a capital contribution to a rural growth fund, which will be established within the Office of Business Development. It allows for the creation of Tourism Destination Marketing Districts, which, following local approval, can add an additional 2% surcharge on room occupancy taxes to fund tourism marketing activities within these districts. The legislation also creates a Cultural Council Recovery Commission to review and develop recommendations for the recovery, promotion and continued growth and vitality of the cultural and creative sector in the commonwealth.

The bill initiates a system for legal sports gaming in Massachusetts enabling the independent Massachusetts Gaming Commission to grant in-person licenses to existing casinos and racing facilities. Mobile applications and casinos are also eligible to receive mobile gaming licenses. In addition to licensing fees, the state will receive 15% of all sports betting proceeds -- \$50 million annually --(with an additional 1% for

(with an additional 1% for games played in Massachusetts going to a fund to ensure the integrity of the game.) The proceeds will be distributed in the following fashion:

• 40% to a workforce development fund for at-risk youth in low-income/minority communities

• 30% to a Distressed Restaurant Fund that would help over 1,000 restaurants pay for things like rent, payroll, and PPE for a period of two years

• 10% to Youth Development Initiatives (raised to 25% after January 2023), including scholarships and after-School programs

• 10% to Local Aid (raised to 25% after Janu-

d ary 2023)

• 9% to Public Health, including Gaming Addiction

• 1% to a Player's Benevolent fund to pay for local player connected charity foundations.

The bill provides for \$459M in bond funding, including:

• \$35M for MGCC small business loans to underserved populations

• \$15M for MGCC for Microbusinesses

• \$10M Travel and Tourism capital improvements

• \$10M MA Tech Collaborative on Manufacturing grants

• \$45M MA Tech Collaborative for academic and research institutions grants for robotic, AI R&D

• \$15M Mass Development for planning activities to speed up developments

• \$10M Mass Development for rural development grants

• \$40M Mass Development for redevelopment of underutilized, blighted, or abandoned properties

• \$5M Mass Tech Collaborative for broadband grants to Western Mass

• \$5M to Economic Development for technical assistance to support locally driven development

• \$40M DHCD for Neighborhood stabilization and preservation • \$10M for MA Housing Finance Agency for climate resilient housing construction

• \$50M to MA Housing Partnership to fund high-density mixed income transit oriented housing

• \$30M for a PPP loan type program run by MGCC o 2/3rds (\$20M) of funds would be dedicated for minority, women, and

veteran owned businesses o Under certain conditions, these loans can become grants

o Directs funds to businesses impacted by COVID-19 but didn't receive federal assistance

• \$15M for Trial Courts to support improve Virtual Mediations in Housing related cases.

• \$10M UTEC for capital grants

• \$12.5M Zoo New England for capital improvements

• \$5M Economic Development for small business multi-lingual tech assistance and coaching

• \$6M MCC grants for capital/IT upgrades to improve remote access to materials

• \$5M MCC/DESE for school districts to provide remote access to MCC grantee facilities.

The bill is now in conference committee.

# Legislature commits to at least FY20 funding levels for Revere schools and local aid

The state will guarantee no less than the FY 20 funding levels for local aid and Chapter 70 education aid for the coming year, House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, Senator Boncore and Representative Vincent informed Revere officials last week.

In letters to Mayor Brian Arrigo and Superintendent Dianne Kelly, DeLeo, Boncore and Vincent wrote "the Massachusetts House of Representatives, the Senate, and Governor are committed to unrestricted local aid and Chapter 70 funding amounts that provide baseline funding for Fiscal Year2021, the details of which are available to you through the Division of Local Services."

The Chapter 70 amounts will reflect inflation and enrollment increases to ensure school districts are at foundation, providing an additional \$107M statewide in aid over FY20, which will provide Revere with \$70.298.333 for Chapter 70 and \$10,923,350 for Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA). In addition, new federal supports for schools have been provided through Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grants and the School Reopening Fund in order to assist with educating students during the pandemic, which will result in an additional \$3.98 million for Revere.

the importance of our local officials knowing what they are facing as soon as possible," said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D-Winthrop). "I hope these figures reassure the people of Revere that it will be getting no less than it received in FY20."

"This funding commitment will aid our local communities in meeting immediate needs and support our schools, educators, and students as classes resume this fall," said Senator Joe Boncore (D-Winthrop). "Our communities are resilient. As we continue to rise to the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Legislature remains steadfast in equipping our cities and towns with the resources they need." "Given the economic challenges our Commonwealth and country face as a result of the ongoing COVID pandemic, I am thrilled that we as state leaders are able to commit no less than FY-2020's local aid to Revere," said Representative RoseLee Vincent (D-Revere). "I thank Speaker DeLeo and Senator Boncore for their teamwork on this. Maintaining and increasing local aid is always a budgetary priority for me, and I am glad that we are able to at the very least maintain these funding levels during such an uncertain time." The legislators also vowed to remain committed to supporting the City of Revere and the Student Opportunity Act and are

in active discussions about thoughtful ways to implement the concepts of SOA while being mindful of the budget shortfall as the state reassesses the FY21 budget situation, including the action of the federal government.

"We are grateful that local aid was not reduced from the previous fiscal year. This is a reflection of our state delegation's commitment to assisting the communities they serve, and it is especially critical this year in the midst of daunting economic uncertainty due to the Covid 19 pandemic," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "We especially thank Gov. Charlie Baker, Speaker Bob DeLeo, Senator Joe Boncore, and Representative Roselee Vincent. The local aid announcement actually exceeds the amount we anticipated in our FY21 budget because we anticipated a shortfall arising from pandemic economic losses. Revere's careful and conservative approach to budgeting provides our city with a promising outlook for continued economic stability despite the economic hardship imposed by the pandemic. We will remain vigilant and conservative in the way we approach municipal finance, and we will continue to work in conjunction with the state to make sure that our municipal government can provide its services to the public despite the threats we face due to Covid 19.

#### RTA signs on to open letter calling for safe reopening

#### By John Lynds

Revere Teachers Association (RTA) First Vice President Charlene Logue announced this week that the RTA has signed on to an open letter by educators North of Boston and Greater Boston communities that recently formed the North of Boston Educator Action Network (NoBEAN) representing over 10,000 educators across the region.

The letter, which was obtained by the Revere Journal from Logue, is calling for a gradual 'phased-in' approach to to reopen schools in the fall both in Revere and across the region.

"Educators continue to grapple with weighing the benefits of in-person instruction versus the health and safety standards needed to return to classrooms and campuses," the letter reads. "Faced with a pandemic that is actively spreading to children, teens, and adults, we know that it is not safe to return to in-person learning at this time." In the letter, members of NoBEAN are recommending districts and campuses return to learning in September with a gradual phased-in approach that is tied to public health and safety benchmarks.

a comprehensive distance learning plan that has the potential to graduate to a hybrid learning model. The graduation from the distance learning phase to a hybrid phase must be defined within each local district using public health benchmarks, a thorough evaluation of the buildings to ensure they are safe places for learning, and investment to make necessary improvements."

The educators that signed on to the letter agree Revere cannot risk a premature return to in-person learning that will result in educators, students, or their families getting sick and dying. "In order to protect the health and safety of our communities, we must direct our energy at the development of high-quality distance learning," the letter continues. "It is imperative for educators to be involved in the decision-making process at both the local and state level." The group said while much is uncertain right now it is crystal clear that when in-person instruction begins, students will need more educators to support them. "A safe return to learning includes resourcing all schools with enough educators and education support professionals so students have class sizes that enable the safe, one-to-one interaction they need for both their social-emotional and educational needs," the letter continues. "Now, more

than ever, the Commonwealth must commit to fully funding public schools so that local school districts can recover from this public health crisis by funding the schools their communities need. As educators, we are advocating for a return to in-person learning that is guided by science, educational best practice, and the health and safety of our students and educators. The stakes have never been higher. Not one single person should get sick or die because we opened our doors prematurely. The only acceptable death count is zero.

During an Executive Board meeting recently a motion was passed unanimously that the RTA will recommend Revere Public Schools implement a phased in approach to reopening schools in the fall and begin the school year with remote teaching.

"Even amid the financial uncertainty brought on by COVID-19, we understand "The safe return to learning in September must be guided by science--not by a school calendar," the letter continues. "We are calling upon all public schools to begin the school year with Revere Public School Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly said districts are required to develop three separate plans – one for return to full in-person instruction with safety requirements, one for full remote learning, and one for hybrid learning that combines in-person and remote.

Kelly said RPS's main priority in all decision making will focus on the safety

of its staff and students and Revere would only return to in person instruction either hybrid or fully if it can do so safely.

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grounds," she said.

A 1993 Revere High graduate, Elam was the cheerleading director and an officer in the Revere Pop Warner football and cheerleading organization. Her husband, Craig, served as president of Revere Pop Warner and was a football coach. The Elams' two children, Catherine and Jack, both participated in the cheerleading and football divisions respectively. Catherine is a senior at Coastal Carolina University. Jack is a student at UMass/Dartmouth.

Mr. Jannino's term was to end in January. Melissa Elam said she will be a candidate in the election in November for the position.

"My father has always

talked about that I would continue his vision, that he's always wanted me to have that opportunity to continue what he had started," said Elam." Obviously, I did not want it to happen this way. It was sudden. It was always more intended that he would have been retiring but I'm glad to be finishing off the term that he had, at a minimum."

City Council President Patrick Keefe worked with Elam in the Revere Junior Patriot Pop Warner organization.

"Melissa has been a dedicated volunteer in our community for many years, raising two great children and serving on the Revere Pop Warner board as vice president and in many other



Melissa Jannino Elam, with her father, the late Ronald Jannino, who served as Revere's representative on the Northeast Regional School Committee for 35 years.

roles," lauded Keefe.

The Council leader feels that in her new position on the Regional School Committee Elam will be able to continue the family's legacy of outstanding service to Revere.

"Melissa's father, Ron, served as Revere's representative on the Northeast Regional School Committee for 35 years and for Melissa to serve out her father's term is a testimonial to what her father meant to our community for so many years," said Keefe. "I look forward to Melissa to being on the Committee while serving the residents of Revere – I know she will represent us well."

Councillor-at-Large Steven Morabito said Elam will do well in her new position and there is a symbolic symmetry involved in the succession process.

"I think Melissa succeeding her father on the Committee is a nice sentiment and I think she'll do a good job because she's following in her dad's footsteps and she knows how her dad would handle votes on the School Board because she knows her dad best," said Morabito.



Melissa Jannino Elam, with her husband, Craig Elam, and their children, Jack Elam and Catherine Elam.

# NEWLY ENGAGED

# Revere Police hand out bicycle helmets to Revere residents as part of bike registration program

The Revere Police Department will be distributing bicycle helmets and registering bicycles at several locations the month of August. Massachusetts law requires any person 16 years old or younger riding a bicycle to wear a helmet. Bicycles are required to participate. Registration serves as a deterrent to theft and can help in the recovery of stolen bicycles. All ages welcome! Studies show helmet use can reduce the odds of head injuries in accidents by about 50%, and the odds of injuries to the neck, face, and head by 33%. Bike helmets aren't just for kids -

around 87% of all bicycle accident deaths are adults 20 and older.

• August 5 Revere Police Substation 6 Pleasant St. 9:00-1pm

• August 6 Revere High School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 7 Rumney Marsh School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 10 Revere Police Substation 123B Shirley Ave 11:30am-1pm

• August 11 Rumney Marsh School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 12 Revere Police Substation 6 Pleasant St. 9am-1pm • August 13 Rumney High School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 14 Rumney Marsh School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 17 Revere Police Substation 123b Shirley Ave 11:30am-1pm

• August 18 Revere League for Special Need 200 Winthrop Ave. 11:30-1pm

• August 19 Revere Police Substation 6 Pleasant St. 9am-1pm

• August 20 Revere High School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 21 Revere League for Special Needs 200 Winthrop Ave. 11:30am-1pm

• August 24 Revere Police Substation 123b Shirley Ave. 11:30am-1pm

• August 25 Revere League for Special Needs 200 Winthrop Ave. 11:30am-1pm

• August 26 Revere Police Substation 6 Pleasant St. 9am-1pm

• August 27 Revere High School rear lot 11:30am-1pm

• August 28 Revere League for Special Need 200 Winthrop Ave. 11:30am-1pm



# MBTA to hold virtual meetings about changes to bus schedule

Staff report

The MBTA will host virtual meetings on Sunday, August 12, and Monday, August 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. to present details on fall bus schedule details and changes. The virtual meeting on August 12 will be in Spanish and the virtual meeting on August 13 will be in English. These virtual meetings will be held on GoToWebinar, a video conferencing platform.

MBTA Service Planning staff will outline temporary schedule changes that go into effect August 30, 2020. The temporary changes being made are in the best interest of riders in order to maximize both safety and service levels during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As part of the presenta-

tion the Service Planning team will cover the following:

•Why route changes are necessary;

•The service planning process;

•Specifics of the service changes and impacted routes; and

•Other key elements on MBTA's response to the pandemic.

During the meetings, attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide input on future service changes.

Virtual Meeting Information:

The meetings will be held via GoToWebinar. The MBTA encourages the public to participate and provide their feedback. To register, visitmbta.com/servicechanges.

# East Boston Neighborhood Health Center - Protecting Our Community



dents that choose to enroll in the bicycle registration program offered by Revere Police.

WHAT

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO

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# Are you at risk?

Based on what we know now, those at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19 are:

- Older adults
- People of any age with the following:
  - Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
- Serious heart conditions
- Sickle cell disease

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- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

**Have you missed a medical appointment?** If so, call 617-569-5800 to schedule. This is especially important if you have a chronic or behavioral health condition. We offer both telemedicine and in-person visits, and we are accepting new patients.

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**If you are feeling ill,** our Emergency Department at 10 Gove Street is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to provide assessment, testing, and treatment as needed.

**We encourage everyone to get tested for COVID-19.** We test six days a week at multiple locations. Getting tested is fast, easy, convenient, and safe. Call 617-569-5800 to pre-register.



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Limit contact with other people as much as possible.

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# **OBITUARIES**

# Mary Ann Rich

#### Of Revere

Mary Ann (Pokornicki) Rich, 83, of Revere, formerly of the West End of Boston, passed away on August 3.

The beloved wife of the late Peter Rich, Sr., she was the loving mother of Peter

Rich Jr., of Revere, Brian Rich of Everett, Glen Rich, Deputy Fire Chief Revere Fire Department and his wife, Bernadette of Saugus, Gary Rich of Revere and the late John R. Rich, who passed away on June 14; dear sister of Michael Pokornicki of Gardener, IL, Linda McLain and her husband, Richard of Dorchester, Edward Pokornicki and his wife, Pauline of Uxbridge and Stephen Pokornicki and his wife, Cheryl of Waltham and the late Joseph Pokornicki, Stanley Pokornicki, Catherine Mc-Lain and John Pokornicki; adored grandmother of several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and also lovingly survived by many nieces and nephews.



Family and friends will honor Mary Ann's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach Street, Revere on Thursday, August 7 from 4 to 8 p.m. and again at 9 a.m. Friday morning before leaving in procession to the Immaculate Conception in Revere for a Funeral Mass to be celebrated in her honor at 10 a.m. Interment will be private. In accordance with state and CDC guidelines, please wear a mask and practice social distancing. For online guest book and directions, please visit www.vazzafunerals.com

#### Karl 'Wolf' Warren Will be missed by the friends he made across the United States

Family and friends are invited to attend a Memorial Funeral Mass on Saturday, Aug. 8, at 1 p.m. in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere for Karl E. N. "Wolf" Warren who died on Saturday, July 25 at the Big Bend Hospice House in Tallahassee, Florida following a second battle with cancer. He was 54 years old.

Karl was born and raised in Revere and was a graduate of Pope John XXIII High School, Class of 1984. Karl enrolled at the Bolivar Aviation Academy where he studied aviation and became a licensed Pilot. It was one of many goals he achieved by following his passions.

For most of his life, Karl lived "on the road" whether he was driving a truck or a tour bus. Karl worked for Swift Trucking for many years and later for Senator Tour Company. He worked with many popular celebrities and bands while they were touring the country and had the privilege of driving for Elton John, One Direction, Heart, Metallica, Chris Robinson Brotherhood, just to name a few. Karl loved being on the road and he was known as "Wolf." He was remembered by whomever he worked with as being a very generous and giving friend. He was kind to anyone he met and treated everyone as he wanted to be treated. His kind personality was what defined him as a person. If you were Karl's friend, then you were blessed with his genuine and kind heart.



country music, he wasn't just a fan, he was a super fan who lived it. He will be missed by many of the friends he made on the road across the United States.

He was the proud and beloved son of Edward D.N. "Ned" and Emily F. (Cafarelli) Warren of Revere, devoted life partner of Michael Quick of Tallahassee, FL, loving brother of Eric J. Warren and his wife, Sandra of Nahant and Nicole W. Nichols and her husband, Brian G. of Swampscott; cherished uncle of Joseph, Dean and Eva Warren, all of Nahant and Camron, Vienna M. and Garrett B. Nichols, all of Swampscott. He was also loved by many aunts and uncles, both living and deceased. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-9959 or to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, Office of Development, 51 Blossom St., Boston, MA 02114. Funeral Arrangements are entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

# Jean Fornari

1933 - 2020

Jean V. (Leonardi) Fornari of North Revere, 87, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 23 surrounded by her loving family: her three sons, Charles and his partner, Mark of Winthrop, Gary and his wife, Dawn of Plymouth and David of Revere. Jean was the loving wife of the late Edward M. Fornari who passed away in 2015.

Born on February 15, 1933, Jean was the daughter of the late Pasquale and Emma (Moriello) Leonardi of North Revere. Jeannie leaves her sister, Patricia (Patty) Nazzaro of North Revere and her two nephews: George Nazzaro of North Revere and her nephew, Karl Nazzaro and his wife, Danna of Boxford and his two children, Giuliana and Karl P. Jean loved being invited to holiday gatherings at their home and enjoyed interacting and playing with the children. Jean was the sisterin-law of the late George Nazzaro, also of North Revere.

Educated in the Revere school system, Jean was a member of the National Honor Society at Revere High School and went on to earn an Associate's degree in Business Administration at Boston University in the early 1950's. During that time, she also worked in her father's business, The Franklin Park Hay and Grain for many years prior to her marriage to Eddie in November, 1957.

Jean was a loving wife and protective mother and caregiver, her most important goals always!

When her own mother, Emma, suffered failing health, both she and her sister took superb care of her at home. Likewise, when her husband. Eddie was diagnosed with stage four lung cancer, Jean worked hard to provide the best care at home before Eddie had to be transferred to the Veteran's Hospice Center in Bedford.

Jean maintained her



on the menu. She thoroughly enjoyed seeing everyone enjoy what she would call a bountiful feast! Not only was tradition important to mom but her Catholic faith was equally important as well. She was always lending a helping hand at St. Anthony's Church, Revere where she was married. Daily mass, Tuesday night St. Anthony novena, Lady's Sodality, the Annual Summer Fiesta, fashion show fundraisers and church bazars kept her socially involved.

Jean was also an accomplished pianist, giving her first formal recital in Jordan Hall, Boston, at the age of 12! She had a deep love and appreciation for classical music and enjoyed her Fischer baby grand piano at home playing daily in between work and meal preparation.

Jeannie had a second passion: her extraordinary passion for high fashion clothes with particular attention to millinery. From her earliest recollection, she loved fancy hats. She would have a different hat always for Sunday best each season sporting some eye catching hats to highlight her total look! She had quite the collection.

Jean, or as her sister, Patricia (Patty) called her "Jeannie," shared a very close relationship since their early 20's. Talking on the phone many times a day, they were always together doing everything and forever discussing food, recipes, fashion, and politics-- the Dan Ray show too! Jeannie will be missed but not at all forgotten!

# John Mello

Former owner of 'The Blues Diner'

John "Jackie" J. Mello, 59, of Revere, passed away on Friday, July 24.

Jackie was the former owner of "The Blues Diner" in Revere and Melrose and was also a former member of the Orient Heights Yacht Club.

He was the cherished son of the late John A. Mello, son of Diane Keeble and her husband, Donald, former spouse of Kelley Razzino, loving father of Andrea Mello and her fiancé, MK Mogan of Wakefield and Alyssa and Ava Mello, both of Revere, longtime partner of Ann Marie Jenkins and caring brother of Anthony Mello and his wife, Courtney of Grafton, Donna Starrett of Lexington, Robert Mello and his wife, Mindy of Los Angeles, Marissa



Petschull and her husband, David of Germany and the late Phillip Mello. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral arrangements were by Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, Revere. Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden. For guest book, please visit www.vazzafunerals.com.

# **Frances T. Fisher**

Of Revere

Frances T. (Elliott) Fisher, of Revere, passed away on July 21, 2020 at 90 years of age. She was the beloved wife of the late Arthur W. Fisher, cherished mother of Robert Fisher, David Fisher, both of Billerica, Keith Fisher, of Revere, and the late Kevin, Arthur and Gail Fisher. Adored grandmother of 11 and

great-grandmother of 13. Due to the ongoing restrictions with COVID-19, all services will be held privately and under the direction of the Paul Buonfiglio Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere, MA 02151. At the family's request, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Fran's



memory to Mass Eye and Ear at The Foundation of the MEEI, Inc., 243 Charles Street, Development Office, Boston, MA 02114 or via https://www.masseyeandear.org/online-donation-form. For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

# Joan Savignano

Retired RN, member of Revere Women's Club and ICC Immaculata Guild

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on July 31 in the Immaculate Conception Church for Joan H. (Arnold) Savignano, who passed on July 27 after a long illness. She was 91 years old. Joan was a 1947 graduate of St. Rose High School of Chelsea and an alumna of the Chelsea Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, a member of the Revere Women's Club and the Immaculata Guild at ICC. The beloved wife of 58 years of the late Ferdinando D. "Fred" Savignano, she was the devoted mother of Dr. June S. Savignano-Bowman, ED and her late husband, Dr. James F. Bowman, ED of Newton, Mary Ellen Savignano Wilson and her late husband, Robert J. Wilson of Revere, Paul S. Savignano of Revere and Jo-Ann Woodland and her late husband, Stephen J. Woodland of Hudson; cherished grandmother of



Karl's biggest passion was being a "lover" of

#### motherly role with her three sons all of her life ensuring what she knew and believed was the absolute best for us. Thank you, Mom!

Jean loved her family and embraced the Italian tradition. She loved the holiday gatherings conferring with my brothers on the menu-- the seven fishes at Christmas and bow tie cookies and at Easter, the famous Pizza Chiena and stuffed artichokes, always

The family would also like to express deep appreciation to the staff at Care Dimensions, Danvers for the loving at home care during Jean's last days.

Services were private at Bisbee Porcella Funeral Home and a mass at St. Anthony's Church was held for the immediate family due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. For condolences, please visit www. BisbeePorcella.com.

> Vazza 🗍 "Beechwood" **Funeral Home** 262 Beach St., Revere (781) 284-1127 Louis R. Vazza ~ Funeral www.vazzafunerals.com VERTUCCIO & SMITH Danny S. Smith 773 Broadway Revere, MA 02151 Phone (781) 284-7756 www.vertuccioandsmith.com

Brian P. Savignano and his companion, Caitlin Nackley of Everett, Jake S. Bowman and his wife, Angela of Braintree, Chelsey E. Bowman and her fiancée, Peter Schmidt of Queens, NY, Marissa A. Savignano of Everett, James T. Wilson of Revere and Olivia J. Woodland and her husband, Andrew C. Larson Bellingham; adored of great grandmother of James "Jamie" Bowman; dear sister of John Arnold and his wife, Laurie of Walpole and the late Thomas, Dorothy, Elizabeth, Evelyn, Irving and Jean Arnold. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces and nephews.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals. Remembrances may be made to Care Dimensions, 75 Liberty St., Danvers, MA 01923. To send online condolences, please visit vertuccioandsmith.com

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**James** Toto

Daddy, You were always there for Mom and for me, our rock and protector.

You gave us your steadfast support and unwavering love. Your loss left a void in our lives that never could be filled.

> Your loving daughter, Donna 🎙



# **OBITUARIES**

# Thelma Mae Bugbee

Of Revere

Thelma Bugbee, a native and long time resident of Revere, passed away on June 29.

She was 91 years old and had been in declining health for several years. Thelma and her husband, Benjamin H. Bugbee, Jr., had two children, Gordon, an artist and community mental health worker, and Keith, Head Lacrosse Coach and Assistant Professor at Springfield College.

Thelma was born at Revere Memorial Hospital, April 17, 1929, to Bessie Mae Borden Hudson Smith and Joseph Gordon Smith, both of Revere. She lived in Revere most of her life, and most of that in the family home on Olive Street. Her husband's work took the family to New Jersey at the beginning of her marriage and to western Massachusetts where Ben was a supervising engineer on the new Massachusetts Turnpike, but they always returned to Revere.

Thelma graduated from Revere High School and Boston's Trade School for Girls where she acquired the skills she put to use as a seamstress in several Boston bridal shops. She never lost her love of sewing and retained her professional eye for a well turned seam. She took special pride in the sewing interests and skills of one of her granddaughters.

Thelma and Ben's home was always open to visitors whether it was a new minister at their church, their sons' high school friends, college classmates looking to settle in Boston or stray graduate students without family or friends nearby.

Thelma was a faithful and devoted member of the First Congregational Church on Beach Street in Revere from her high school years. She and Ben were married there in April of 1950 and remained pillars of the church for the next 50 years. Grown from seeds planted as a teenager, Thelma's faith deepened as the years went by. She prayed and read devotional literature daily and drew strength from biographies and memoirs of other people of faith. She donated monthly to the American Bible Society for decades and regularly to various missionary societies, and she lent her presence and support to several women's organizations including the Women's Fellowship at her church and the North Shore Christian Women's Club.

more joy than being surrounded by her grandchildren and marveling at their energy and accomplishments. As dementia unraveled Thelma's memories, recollections of weekends with her grandchildren on Olive St or their timeshare in NH were among the last to fade.

However much she loved her home, she also loved traveling. She and Ben logged thousands of miles in their car, exploring historical and cultural sites in the the northeast, mid west and middle Atlantic states and the Canadian maritimes.

In retirement, they headed overseas visiting Britain several times, Egypt, Iceland, Malta, and Germany. Not ready to settle down after Ben died, Thelma joined tours to China, Russia, and Turkey.

Like many of us, Thelma was a complicated individual - curious and open to new and interesting people and places and firm in her ideas; gracious and courteous and unapologetically candid; industrious and creative and deeply insecure; demure and frail and tough as nails.

Those acquainted with Thelma casually, through church connections or chance encounters on one of Thelma and Ben's many trips, were often struck by her gentility, generosity, and eager intelligence. People who knew her well had to reckon with her perseverance, rectitude, and willingness to speak her mind. Those who knew her best honored and wrestled with her intense devotion to family, her privateness, and her scrupulosity.

Thelma is survived by her younger sister, JoAnn Smith D'Agostino, her two sons and their spouses, four grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Her eldest granddaughter, Lindsay Jane Bugbee Crosby, died in July 2018 from complications following childbirth.

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# U.S. Attorney, FBI team with AARP to combat COVID scams targeting seniors

Staff report

The U.S. Attorney's Office and the Boston Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation have partnered with AARP to educate senior citizens in Massachusetts about COVID-19 scams and other fraud targeting the aging population.

Through AARP's Fraud Watch Network, approximately 5,600 Massachusetts seniors participated in the hour-long tele-town hall event yesterday with U.S. Attorney Andrew E. Lelling, federal prosecutors from the U.S. Attorney's Office and the FBI. During the tele-town hall, federal officials discussed the types of schemes currently being reported, provided tips and tools on how to avoid becoming a victim and answered callers' questions.

"As communities undertake efforts to stem the spread of COVID-19, scammers are using the pandemic as an opportunity to prey on public fear and take advantage of vulnerable members of our communities," said United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling. "Over recent months, we've seen a surge of scams including counterfeit medical supplies, bogus treatments and fake vaccines, and scams attempting to gain access to personal financial information. We are committed to finding and prosecuting those who perpetrate these scams as well as educating individuals about how to protect themselves from becoming victims of crime."

"Scammers targeting

seniors are a growing concern here in Massachusetts. Last year alone, more than \$11.2 million in losses were reported to us by elderly victims, and we know for a fact these crimes are grossly underreported because of shame and embarrassment," said Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Boston Division. "Fraudsters are using the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic to their advantage and that's why we need to work together to put them out of business for good. Educatat ing ourselves, as well as our aging family members and friends through teletown halls like this one, is crucial to avoid becoming a victim."

Throughout the current gov, health crisis, federal investigators and prosecutors ger,

have continued to fulfill the Justice Department's critical mission of protecting public safety. Federal authorities have prioritized the disruption, investigation and prosecution of crimes related to COVID-19, including fraud schemes, unapproved treatments and scams related to stimulus money and unemployment.

Massachusetts residents who believe they are victims of fraud or other criminal activity related to the pandemic should contact the U.S. Attorney's Office USAMA.VictimAssistance@usdoj.gov or call 1-888-221-6023. Mem bers of the public can also contact the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) by visiting www.IC3. gov. If you or someone you know are in immediate danger, please call 911.

#### **REVERE STUDENTS EARN** ACADEMIC HONORS

#### UMASS LOWELL NAMES LOCAL STUDENTS TO DEAN'S LIST

Local residents have been named to the dean's list at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

Among those recognized for achieving academic distinction for the spring 2020 semester at UMass Lowell are:

\* Elena Nguyen majoring in applied biomedical science

\* Deep Patel majoring in biology

\* Andrea Shehaj (02151), majoring in biology

\* Kathryn Calo majoring in biology

\* Edwind Medina majoring in biomedical engineering

\* Tina Thuy Nguyen Hoang majoring in biomedical engineering

\* Naveed Jabbar majoring in business administration

\* Olivia Novoselsky majoring in business administration

\* Damir Omerovic majoring in business administration joring in political science \* Dominique Peralta Herrera majoring in psychology

\* Trigal Ramos majoring in psychology

\* Valeria Saldana majoring in public health

\* Nery Rodriguez majoring in public health \* Marie Bernier major-

ing in public health \* Kaoutar Bouaitah ma-

joring in public health \* Helen Perez Lara ma-

joring in public health \* Andres Mejia-Callejas majoring in undeclared engineering

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Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M. "I am impressed and proud of their resilience, dedication, and innovative spirit."

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement! • Quyen Dao, class of 2023

• Cherlene Erauda, class of 2020

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#### EMERSON ANNOUNCES GRADUATE

College has approximately 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty. students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs at Emerson Los Angeles, located in Hollywood, and at its 14th-century castle, in the Netherlands. Additionally, there are opportunities to study in Washington, DC, London, China, and the Czech Republic, Spain, Austria, Greece, France, Ireland, Mexico, Cuba, England, and South Africa. The College has an active network of 39,000 alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

#### BRIANA LYNCH EARNS SPRING 2020 DEAN'S LIST HONORS

Briana Lynch, of Revere has been named to the Spring 2020 Dean's List at Roger Williams University, in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester.

Nothing gave Thelma

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Arrangements for a memorial service have yet to be worked out.

Over Thelma's bed was a large family tree she designed and embroidered, and next to it, over her bedside table, was a small black and white photograph of Revere Beach in the 1940's or 50's. When all is said and done, that sums up Thelma quite well - a devoted daughter of Revere whose greatest pleasure came from being surrounded by her family. \* Lirijona Avdyli majoring in business administration

\* Erina Kilabo majoring in business administration \* Mustafa Bellakhdar majoring in business administration

\* Fernando Aguiluz majoring in civil engineering

\* Zakaria Attioui majoring in civil engineering

\* Michael McCormack majoring in clinical lab sciences

\* Lillian Schrafft majoring in composition for new media

\* Florens Shosho majoring in computer science \* Lesley Santos majoring in criminal justice

\* Valentina Herrera majoring in criminal justice

\* Cristopher Macancela majoring in electrical engineering

\* Suellen Guerreiro majoring in graphic design

\* Sela Leng majoring in information technology

\* Mackenzie Cunningham majoring in mathematics

\* Madison Cunningham majoring in mathematics

\* Dakota Young-Grieco majoring in mechanical engineering

\* Steven Noel majoring in mechanical engineering

\* Richard Briana majoring in mechanical engineering

\* LiLu Allen majoring in music performance

\* Sarah Grainger majoring in nursing

\* Melanie Caggiano majoring in nursing

\* Nancy Nguyen majoring in nursing

\* Giselle Lopreto Catano majoring in nursing

\* Balsam El Alam ma-

#### LOCAL STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM UMASS AMHERST

Approximately 6,600 students received bachelor's degrees in over 100 majors at the University of Massachusetts Amherst as the university held a virtual commencement celebration for the Class of 2020 on May 8.

Below is a list of students from your area who earned a degree.

Comlan Magloire Adjindah Moustafa Ahmed Shamar Challenger Joseph James Dello Russo Lionel Forbes Cheyanne Grace Fullen Cynthia Guzman Robert Christopher Mahoney Peter John Marino Valentina Restrepo Vascino Ph'Pib

Yassine Rh'Rib Samantha Robles Samnang Ros Tong Shen Dhimiter Shosho

#### LOCAL STUDENTS ON DEANS' LIST

Bryant University is dedicated to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence. The University is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the Deans' List for the spring 2020 semester.

"These outstanding achievements are particularly commendable as students have overcome significant challenges to demonstrate an unwavering commitment to excellence," says Provost and Chief Academic Officer

On Sunday, May 10, Emerson College awarded 959 undergraduate degrees for the Class of 2020. The College is committed to holding a graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020 in person when it is safe to do so, at a to be determined date.

Michael Costantini of Revere graduated in December 2019 and received a BFA degree in Creative Writing BFA.

The College launched an Emerson 2020 Celebration website to honor graduates' achievements with more than 800 submissions from students, families, alumni, faculty, and staff, which includes photos, videos, audio submissions, and text. The website strives to reflect the many facets of the Class of 2020 and the wider Emerson community - its creativity, daring, thoughtfulness, irreverence, and humor.

Video submissions include well wishes from well-known alumni and celebrities in the entertainment industry, including actors Jennifer Coolidge, Henry Winkler, comedians Jay Leno, Bill Burr, and Steven Wright, screenwriter Adele Lim, actress Chrystee Pharris, and producer Kevin Bright, among others.

Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The

#### MAESTRE NAMED TO 2020 DEAN'S LIST AT LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Kelvin Maestre of Revere, has earned 2020 Dean's List honors at Lawrence University.

Maestre is a member of the Class of 2021.

The Dean's List is an annual honor roll of students demonstrating exemplary academic performance. The Dean's List is compiled at the end of the academic year once all grades have been recorded. To make the Dean's List, a student must have earned at least 36 units in Lawrence courses during the academic year and have earned a GPA of at least 3.5.

Founded in 1847, Lawrence University uniquely integrates a college of liberal arts and sciences with a nationally recognized conservatory of music, both devoted exclusively to undergraduate education. It was selected for inclusion in the book "Colleges That Change Lives: 40 Schools That Will Change the Way You Think About College." Engaged learning, the development of multiple interests and community outreach are central to the Lawrence experience. Lawrence draws its 1,500 students from nearly every state and more than 50 countries.

# Mass. RMV looks to pilot drop-off registration and title services at select locations

#### Staff Report

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) has started to pilot drop-off registration and title services at the Braintree Service Center, with additional locations to follow beginning Monday, August 10. These Registration Drop Off Centers will be dedicated to performing a number of vehicle-based registration and title services for both commercial and individual customer transactions on a dropoff only basis. Customers choosing this option will be able to drop-off appropriate paperwork for processing within a few business days.

"The RMV is excited to pilot and offer this new drop-off service to all of its customers for certain vehicle-based transactions," said RMV Registrar Jamey Tesler. "Customers in need of one of these vehicle-based transactions can drop-off their paperwork and return to pick it up in just a few business days. This alternative service channel will help meet increased RMV service demands during a time when services are limited by appointment-only due to the need to enforce social-distancing to keep our customers and employees safe."

Registration renewals will still be conducted exclusively online or by mail for individual customers. Customers will continue to be able to make appointments for certain vehicle-based registration and title services up to 14 days in advance.

#### How Does 'Drop-Off' Registration and Title Service Work?

• Customers in need of one of the services listed below should compile and complete all appropriate paperwork and any supporting documents. This includes contacting your insurance agent/company to obtain a completed Registration and Title Application (RTA). Customers must drop-off the required paperwork within 30 days of obtaining their RTA. Drop-offs with an incomplete or inaccurate RTA will not be processed.

• Customers will be able to visit any Registration Drop Off Center between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM to drop-off their transaction paperwork. An RMV door advocate will review the customer's paperwork to determine if it's correctly completed and ask customers to fill out a coversheet with their name, email and phone number. Customers will not be allowed to wait and should expect a phone call or email from the Service Center within a few days when their transaction is completed.

• Transactions will be processed in the order received. Customers will receive a phone call or email when their transaction is completed and be instructed to pay for their transaction online.

• Customers will return to the Service Center to pick up their plates and/or registration.

Customers who are dropping-off or picking-up their paperwork will be served in the order of arrival and should anticipate a wait time for the intake and pick-up process, but will not have to wait for their transaction to be completed that same day.

#### How Long is the 'Drop-Off' Turnaround Time?

While the RMV asks

for its customers' patience during the initial days of this service offering, anticipated turnaround time for completion of drop-off transactions is within four business days. Drop-offs with an incomplete or inaccurate RTA (see above) will not be processed.

However, customers may expect additional wait times if their transaction paperwork is incomplete, inaccurate or requires additional review.

#### What If I Don't Want to 'Drop-Off' My Transaction or Wait 4 Business Days?

Customers may alternatively continue to book an appointment-only reservation for these services. Appointments are available online up to 14 days in advance.

#### What Type of Transactions Can I 'Drop-Off' for Service?

The following types of transactions can be dropped off by both commercial and individual customers, including casual sales, campers, trailers and motorcycles. Registration renewals will still be conducted ex-

clusively online or by mailfor individual customers.Register and title a ve-

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#### Where is My Nearest Registration 'Drop-Off' Center and When Can I Visit?

Drop-off hours will be between 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The following locations will begin performing drop-off registration and title services on Monday, Aug. 10, while the Braintree Service Center will begin performing drop-off registration and title services on Monday, August 3: • Boston / Haymarket

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• Haverhill Service Center

• Milford Service Center

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#### Why is the RMV Offering Certain 'Drop-Off' Services?

The RMV is introducing this service channel alternative in light of the COVID-19 public health emergency to encourage 'social-distancing' in its Service Centers and prioritize other essential in-person needs by appointment-only. All RMV customers are encouraged to visit www.Mass.Gov/ RMV to complete one of over 40 other transactions available online, by mail, or by phone.

# Senate passes bill to criminalize female genital mutilation

#### Report

The Massachusetts State Senate unanimously passed legislation to criminalize the practice of female genital mutilation and cutting, also known as FGM/C.

An Act relative to the penalties for the crime of female genital mutilation includes creating education and prevention programs for communities with females who are at a high risk of undergoing genital mutilation, and creating interagency partnerships directed towards prevention. The bill also sets fines and sentences for those who practice female genital mutilation or remove a child from the Commonwealth for the purpose of carrying out this practice.

"One of the most powerful things we can do to create a better Commonwealth and a better world is protect the health and safety of, and empower, women and girls," stated Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland), "I am proud of the Senate for voting to take steps to end this practice, which does nothing but cause suffering on so many levels. Thank you Senator Boncore for championing this issue and seeing this bill through." "Today, the Senate has stood up to clearly denounce gender-based violence and affirm our commitment to the health and safety of women and girls across the Commonwealth," said Senator Joe Boncore (D-Winthrop). "The advocacy and testimonies of survivors, including Mariya Taher, was critical in moving this bill forward. Their resilience and commitment to ensuring that not one more girl suffers is admirable and appreciated. Medical experts have agreed that female genital mutilation has no basis in medical purposes or benefits: it is a method used to control women's anatomy. By criminalizing female genital mutilation, we tell survivors that they are heard, and we tell girls and women that they are protected from this abuse." "Over two years ago, I started a petition with two other Massachusetts-based residents to call attention

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A big crowd turned out for Joe Gravellese's standout on Broadway over the weekend.

# Congressman Adam Schiff endorses Joe Kennedy for U.S. Senate

On Monday, Congressman Adam Schiff (D-CA), a Framingham native, endorsed Joe Kennedy for U.S. Senate in an email and video to Kennedy for MA supporters. As Chair of the House Intelligence Committee, Congressman Schiff is known for fighting tirelessly against injustices and abuses by the Trump Administration. "I can unequivocally state that Joe is one of the most powerful progressive voices in the Democratic Party today," Congressman Adam Schiff (D-CA) said. "From the moment he stepped foot on the House floor, I recognized Joe as a

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how Joe has used his skill, talent and determination to fight frump's abuses of power every single day of this presidency." "Joe's voice for change is needed in the Senate now more than ever to demand accountability, action, and progressive change. In moments of great national urgency, like the COVID-19 pandemic or the recent protests for racial equality, Joe has been a champion for those struggling to get by and those struggling to overcome." As Chair of the House Intelligence Committee, Schiff has been a fighter for accountability and to protect our democracy from the abuses of the Trump Administration.

to the fact that our state did not have a law protecting girls from FGM/C. To date, over 400,000 people have signed it," said Mariva Taher of Sahiyo. "Today, I am beyond ecstatic to let those petition supporters and let every girl in the Commonwealth know that the Massachusetts Senate passed this bill in a 39-0 vote, to protect girls in our state from undergoing this form of gender-based violence. It has taken many years, many individuals, and many attempts to have a bill passed, and finally, Massachusetts made the right choice. Thank you to Senator Boncore for listening to survivors and letting community members tell their stories of the negative impacts FGM/C has had on their lives, and for leading the charge in the Senate to support them and protect future generations from this form of gender-based violence. Also, my deepest appreciation to Rep. Natalie

California Congressman, and Framingham native, Adam Schiff has endorsed Congressman Joe Kennedy III for US Senate.

unique talent, as a shrewd legislator and tactician, and

as a passionate warrior for justice. And I have seen

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Higgins and Rep. Jay Livingstone for being the bill sponsors in the House."

As of 2020, some 38 states have enacted statewide laws to criminalize and prohibit female genital mutilation. For 20 years, female genital mutilation was illegal in the United States, when a federal law was passed in 1996 banning the practice.

In 2018, a United States District Court overturned the 1996 federal law on technical grounds, citing that Congress had overstepped its authority in interceding in local criminal activity by passing the nationwide ban. In their decision, the court agreed that the practice of female genital mutilation is "despicable" and "essentially criminal assault." Since this decision, many state legislatures swiftly passed laws banning female genital mutilation.

Massachusetts would become the 39<sup>th</sup> state in the country to pass a law criminalizing female genital mutilation should this legislation become law.

The bill has already passed the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and now moves to the Governor for his consideration.



# Free COVID-19 testing through August 14th.

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# RHS FIELD HOCKEY SPORTS AWARDS

On Wednesday July 29, Field Hockey Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells hand delivered RHS Sports Awards to 7 of their seniors.



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Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Chloe Giordano with the Dr. Aurelius P. Mattera **Coach's Athletic Award** 



Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Katie O'Donnell with the Leonard J. Randall Memorial Athletic Scholarship Award, The RHS Excellence Award, the GBL MVP Field Hockey Award and a plaque for holding the record for scoring the most goals in one season-14



Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Kathy Umanzor with the Steven Hamilton Memorial Track Award and a plaque for the Girls Indoor Track School Record for the 4x200 Relay- 1:55.51 and Astrid Umanzor was presented with the Jake Collins Memorial Track Award and a plaque for the Girls Indoor Track Record for the 4x200 Relay- 1:55.51



Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Eve Lescovitz with the Vanessa Ardagna Memorial Award and the GBL Scholar Athlete Award



Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Sonia Salazar with the Michael Della Russo Athletic Award and the Walter E. Tye Memorial Swimming Scholarship



Head Coach Briana Scata and Assistant Coach Jenna Wells presented Crystal Valente with the Enrico Caruso Athletic Athlete Award



#### **CITY OF REVERE:** AUGUST MENU

Grocery Delivery: Monday - Friday for qualifying residents call 3-1-1

#### **FOOD PANTRY**

First Congregational Church **Food Pantry** temp. location: Rumney Marsh Academy 140 American Legion Highway

Wednesday's 7-8:30 PM

Drive-ups & walk-ups welcomed

#### **PRODUCE POP-UP**

every Monday 3:30 - 5:30 PM every Thursday 1-2:30 PM \*while supplies last\*

Rumney Marsh Academy

#### **DINNER MEALS**

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140 American Legion Highway Todos los Miercoles 7 - 8:30 PM

En carro o caminando son Bienvenidos

#### **FRUTAS Y VERDURAS**

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**Rumney Marsh Academy** 

140 American Legion Highway

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Hasta el 27 de agosto

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# **Garfield's Curtis Park** undergoing renovations

#### By Cary Shuman

Curtis Park is undergoing renovations and the new baseball field and basketball court should be ready for use next spring.

Mike Hinojosa, director of Revere Parks and Recreation, said as a teenager he played in the Babe Ruth League on the baseball field that is located next to the Garfield School. After a stellar career at Revere High, Hinojosa went on excel in college baseball at Suffolk University.

"The whole field is being renovated," reports Hinojosa. "The project began six months ago and everything is being replaced. There will be an all-natural grass field."

Though the 2020 high school baseball season was canceled due to the coronavirus, the Revere High School junior varsity team has played its home games in previous years at Curtis

"The addition of the new field at Curtis Park will help our current Babe Ruth program because we need multiple fields," said Hinojosa. "We will have Curtis, Beachmont, and the RHS Field for baseball in the city."

Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, a huge proponent of the project, said the \$785,000 project is being funded by the monies from the city's Community Improvement Trust Fund (CITF).

"The money came from the construction and permit fees for the projects on Revere Beach Parkway - One Beachmont on the former Shaw's site and the hotels, the Holiday Inn Express and Staybridge Suites," explained Novoselsky.

Novoselsky said like Hinojosa, he played sports at Curtis Park as a youth growing up in Revere. "I played mostly softball there," he recalled.

The councillor said that Mayor Brian Arrigo has been "100 percent supportive" of the project and the newly renovated Curtis Park will continue the overall improvement in Revere recreational facilities throughout the city. "Elle Baker [of the Office of Strategic Planning and Development] is the project manager and she's doing a great job."

An avid Red Sox baseball fan and season ticket holder, Novoselsky said residents will be able to play baseball and soccer at the field [which is named after Roland Merullo Sr.] and basketball on the adjacent new court.

"I'm very happy that so many Revere residents are going to get to enjoy the new park," said Novoselsky. "The backstop [behind home plate] and the side fences look great. The fences are very high so the foul pop-ups will not be hitting the nearby homes."



The new fences that surround the baseball field at Curtis Park.



The area for the new basketball court at Curtis Park.





#### Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky is pictured at Curtis Park which is undergoing extensive renovations.

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## RHS PATRIOTS SOFTBALL SENIOR NIGHT AND ANNUAL ALUMNI GAME

Last Wednesday evening at St. Mary's Field the Revere High School seniors and teammates of the Patriot softball team took to the field for two special and traditional reasons. First, despite the cancelled season, the team wanted to honor

their seniors as they have always done, and to play against their former teammates of new alumni teammates. The athletes enjoyed the event, getting to play ball and thank their parents for their support.



Senior Sonia Salazar with her parents, Diane and Orlando.



Senior Sophia Scoppettuolo with her dad Anthony and brother Anthony.







Senior Captain Katie O'Donnell with her parents, Kathleen and Jimmy and brother James.



Senior Captain Eve Lescovitz with her parents, Diane and Richard.



The RHS Alumni, Olivia McMars, Aliza Anderson, Jacqui Noel, Cassandra DiBella, Ally Hinojosa, Victoria Russo, Kristina Stella, Joli Guliano, Noelle Mac Donald, and Lauren Hayes.







Senior Sonia Salazar

Senior Capt. Katie O'Donnell



Senior Captain Eve Lescovitz was presented the RHS Softball Patriot Award by her parents, Diane and Richard Lescovitz.



The 2020 RHS patriot Varsity Softball Team.



Senior Tiffany Scoppettuolo



Senior Sophia Scoppettuolo



Senior Capt. Eve Lescovitz



Senior Tiffany Scoppettuolo with her cousin Sophia Scoppettuolo.

#### Fresh & Local

# Watermelon beyond the slice

#### By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you ever used watermelon as an ingredient rather than as something you just eat by the slice or in pieces? Ever since the popularity of watermelon and feta salads, recipe developers, food writers, chefs, and home cooks have been finding ways to include the refreshing taste of watermelon in their menus.

#### **Skewers and Cups**

Back when we were feeding the race crew on a sailboat, we often prepared food on skewers or in cups to let the eaters keep one hand for the boat and one hand for their food. Today those ideas are ideal for an alfresco, socially-distanced, meal with friends you are ready to see under your comfort level guidelines.

Certainly, the salads be-

low can be layered in jars for individual servings. The fruit salad can be served on skewers by alternating pieces of fruit and securing the soft ones, like the watermelon, with sturdy grapes or apple pieces on either side. Drinking out of mason jars has become more popular over the past few years so those could let you prepare individual agua frescas or cocktails.

#### Salads

A hollowed-out watermelon can make the perfect container to bring a fruit salad to the table. Think of the ingredients you see in premade fruit cups to come up with great mixes. We like to add grapes, fresh pineapple, and slices of whatever seasonal gems are in our fruit bowl. If it's an adult party, you can spike the fruit salad with something like limon-

cello or rum. If it is for everyone, a bit of honey and some fresh mint will work.

Make your own version of a savory watermelon salad by choosing a green like arugula, watercress, or spinach as a base, topping that with cubes of melon and your choice of cheese. You can use the traditional feta, goat cheese, small mozzarella balls, or if you are grilling some nicely grilled halloumi.

As cucumber lovers, we're going to try a recipe we found while researching this topic for a watermelon and cuke salsa. The main ingredients were cut salsa size and seasoned with minced jalapeño, red onion, cilantro leaves, and lime iuice.

#### Drinks

Watermelon is perfect to turn into an agua fres-

ca, Mexico's famous fruit drink. The technique for this refreshing beverage calls for a blender. Puree the fruit, add up to twice as much water, a little sugar, and some lime juice. Blend again, pour into a tall glass, garnish with more lime and enjoy. In Latin countries, everyone has their own recipe and name for this drink. People make it to their own taste, depending on the flavor and sweetness of the fruit.

For cocktail hour, we love the idea of adding pieces of watermelon and fresh mint to an inexpensive cava or prosecco.

#### **Choosing a Watermel**on

Like many other fruits, a watermelon should feel heavy for its size. Look at the spot where the fruit rested on the ground. It's called



Slices of watermelon or a big bowl of pieces are great, but that's only the beginning of ways you can enjoy this refreshing fruit.

a field spot and should be a creamy color not white or pale green. A deep, creamy color means the melon was allowed to ripen on the vine and develop a rich, sweet flavor and full nutrition.

Yes, in addition to their value as a way to hydrate yourself in hot weather, watermelons are nutritious. According to Self Magazine's nutritional data

guide, watermelon is "very low in saturated fat, cholesterol and sodium. It is also a good source of potassium, and a very good source of vitamin A and vitamin C."

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@ BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

# State allocates \$50 million from the Governor's **Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund**

#### Staff Report

The Baker-Polito Administration announced last week that it will allocate more than \$50 million in federal CARES Act funds to benefit education in elementary and secondary schools, as well as colleges and universities.

The funding from the federal Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund will improve early literacy, expand remote learning opportunities, and cover costs associated with reopening certain schools and colleges, as well as boost financial aid for college students in greater need of financial assistance.

As part of the federal CARES Act, governors in each state were granted a share of discretionary dollars to ensure continuity of educational services during the COVID-19 crisis. The Baker-Polito Administration previously allocated nearly \$1 billion in federal funds to help municipalities, school districts, and colleges and universities in the Commonwealth address

COVID-related expenses. The funding announced will support the following initiatives:

•Up to \$10 million for early literacy programs that provide extra help to students through Grade 3, aimed at remediating learning loss children may have experienced since schools closed in March, as well as accelerate reading skills of children in high-need com-

munities;

•Up to \$7.5 million to expand access to online courses, including advanced placement, early college or dual enrollment courses;

•Up to \$25 million to cover COVID-related expenses associated with reopening colleges and universities, as well as certain non-public elementary and secondary schools. Funds will be allocated based on the number and percentage of low-income students these schools enroll;

•Up to \$2.5 million in financial aid for low-income college students attending public colleges to ensure they can cover emergency expenses to continue their education;

•And up to \$5 million set

aside in an emergency reserve fund.

"Our administration is committed to supporting every student in our schools as districts and universities prepare for the start of the school year," said Governor Charlie Baker. "This \$50 million investment represents flexible funding that can be used for a variety of critical resources for schools and colleges as they begin to reopen and bring kids back into the classroom, especially in our most vulnerable communities."

This funding builds on the nearly \$1 billion previously allocated to schools, childcare programs, colleges, and universities.

# **Baker-Polito launch** #MaskUpMA initiative

#### Staff report

The Baker-Polito Administration last week launched #MaskUpMA, an effort to continue to remind residents to wear masks and face-coverings in public to stop the spread of COVID-19. The effort will underscore the importance of wearing masks across multiple channels including video testimonials on social media, a new PSA, and a website, Mass.Gov/ MaskUp.

Governor Baker and Lt. Governor Polito helped launch #MaskUpMA with video testimonials where they urge residents to wear masks to protect themselves and others. Red Sox mascot Wally the Green Monster also joined the ef-

fort today, and in the coming weeks, additional local public figures will remind everyone in Massachusetts to "mask up."

In addition, the Department of Public Health today also launched an updated public service announcement video. Residents can also visit Mass.Gov/MaskUp to learn more about wearing face-coverings including best practices and multilingual resources.

In May, Governor Baker issued an order requiring residents to wear face-coverings in public where social distancing is not possible. This applies to both indoor and outdoor spaces. Exceptions include children under the age of 2 and those unable to wear a mask or face covering due to a medical condition.

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# WEEKLY CRIME Report

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Revere Police Department responded on the listed dates:

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#### FRIDAY, JULY 17

0639: The repossession of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Beach St.

0828: A breaking & entering (B&E) into a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Mill St. The officer will file a report.

0847: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Copeland Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1051: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Walnut and Shirley Aves. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1156: Unwanted person on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

1253: Vandalism on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

1309: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Overlook Ridge Drive. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1340: A breaking & entering (B&E) into a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Vinal St. The officer will file a report.

1404: Disturbance on Avalon St. The officer will file a report.

1444: An officer served a harassment prevention order pursuant to c. 258E (258E order) upon a Revere Beach Blvd. resident.

1531: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1618: A stolen MV was reported on Lantern Rd. The officer will file a report.

1702: An officer responded to a call for a well-being check on Broadway. The officer issued a citation to a 32 year-old Revere man for the criminal charge of operating a motor vehicle (MV) after his right to operate had been suspended.

1720: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Everard St. for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1817: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Library and Beach Sts. for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and gave a verbal warning to the operator. 1843: An officer assisted with a disabled MV at Broadway and Park Ave.

party.

0609: Hit-and-run MVA on Squire Rd. The officer spoke to the party.

0610: Assault on Winthrop Ave. The officer will file a report.

0915: Suspicious activity on Shirley Ave. A person was transported to the Melrose/Wakefield Hospital.

0917: Vandalism on Asti Ave. The officer issued a summons to a 19 year-old Boston man on charges of threats by a tramp and two counts of vandalizing property.

1100: Unwanted person on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer brought the person home.

1234: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1251: Medical aid on Morris St. A person was transported to the hospital.

1326: A stolen MV was reported on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer will file a report.

1448: A hit-and-run MVA with injuries on Winthrop Ave. The officer was unable to locate the subject.

1534: Larceny on Morris St. The officer provided assistance.

1549: Noise disturbance on Reservoir Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1615: A trespass tow of a MV was reported on Ward St.

1717: A trespass tow of a MV was reported on Ocean ave.

1722: Blocked driveway on Fenley St. The officer issued a parking ticket.

1840: Larceny on Shirley Ave. The officer will file a report.

2018: Disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. Officers arrested Jennifer Anne Adamson, 40, of 418 Revere Beach Parkway, on two outstanding warrants and on charges of breaking & entering into a building in the nighttime with intent to commit a felony, larceny from a building, and causing malicious destruction of property under \$1200.

2033: Noise disturbance on Cooledge St. The officer restored the peace. 2054: Noise disturbance on Park Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2317: Noise disturbance on Carleton St. The officer restored the peace.

2319: Noise disturbance on Gage Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2332: Noise disturbance on Dana St. The officer restored the peace.

2338: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and issued a citation to the operator. 2350: Noise disturbance

on Beach St. The officer restored the peace.

2356: Noise disturbance on Cushman Ave. The officer restored the peace.

#### SUNDAY, JULY 19

0001: Noise disturbance on Roughan St. The officer restored the peace.

0021: MVA with property damage on Crescent Ave. The officer assisted with the exchange of papers.

0049: Noise disturbance on Winthrop Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0054: Noise disturbance on Thornton St. The officer restored the peace.

0102: Suspicious activity on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer provided assistance.

0110: Noise disturbance on Roughan St. The officer restored the peace.

0154: Noise disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0205: Noise disturbance on Park Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0207: Noise disturbance on Morris St. The officer restored the peace.

0222: Noise disturbance on Stevens St. The officer restored the peace.

0241: Noise disturbance on Park Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0242: Noise disturbance on Francis St. The officer restored the peace.

0252: Noise disturbance at Alden and Rice Aves. The officer restored the peace.

0310: Disturbance on Morris St. The officer restored the peace.

0537: Noise disturbance on Thornton St. The officer restored the peace.

0813: Noise disturbance

report.

1721: An officer stopped a MV for a civil infraction at No. Shore Rd. and Mills Ave. and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1857: Noise disturbance on Cushman Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1904: MVA on Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1942: Noise disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2042: Disturbance on Lantern Rd. The officer restored the peace.

2143: Disturbance on High St. The officer restored the peace.

2202: Disturbance Beach St. and Ocean Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2215: Noise disturbance on Revere St. The officer restored the peace. 2224: Noise disturbance

on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace. 2232: Disturbance at

Beach St. and Ocean Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2242: Unwanted person on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer will file a report.

2251: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer spoke to the party.

2321: Noise disturbance on Winthrop Parkway. The officer restored the peace.

#### **MONDAY, JULY 20**

0037: Noise disturbance on Bixby St. The officer restored the peace. 0148: Noise disturbance

on Hayes Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

0203: Noise disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0502: Noise disturbance at Revere and Lee Sts. The officer restored the peace.

0620: Disturbance at Avalon and Dix Sts. The officer will file a report.

0901: A 209A order was served upon an Overlook Ridge Terrace resident.

0943: An officer stopped a MV at Endicott Ave. and State Rd. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1027: A 209A order was served upon a Wave Ave.

served upon a Campbell Ave. resident.

2012: Noise disturbance on Hutchinson St. The offiprovided assistance. cer provided assistance.

2152: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2239: Noise disturbance on Walnut Place. The officer provided assistance.

2242: B&E into a building on Atlantic Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2304: Disturbance on Broadway. The officers arrested Orlando Cardona, 52, of 176 Broadway, on a charge of assault & battery by means of a dangerous weapon.

2359: Noise disturbance on Reservoir Ave. The officer restored the peace.

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 21**

0037: A trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

0332: A sexual assault was reported on No. Shore Rd. The officer will file a report.

0747: An officer stopped a MV on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0843: Larceny on Bellingham Ave. The officer will file a report.

0922: An officer stopped a MV on State Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0937: Animal complaint on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer spoke to the party.

1151: Disturbance on Furlong Drive. The officer restored the peace.

1256: Unwanted person on Ocean Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1326: Suspicious activity on Revere Beach Parkway. The officer will file a report. 1355: MVA on Lynn

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1923: Disturbance on Floyd St. The officer provided assistance.

2002: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Tuckerman St. for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2225: Larceny on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer will file a report.

2312: Noise disturbance on Thornton St. The officer spoke to the party.

2315: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer spoke to the party.

2359: Disbabled MV on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 18**

0028: Noise disturbance on Winthrop Ave. The officer provided assistance.

0039: Suspicious activity on Broadway. The officer spoke to the party.

0429: Noise disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

0450: Noise disturbance on Overlook Ridge Terrace. The officer spoke to the

2103: Noise disturbance on Leverett Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2105: Disturbance at Shirley Ave. and Revere Beach Blvd. The officer restored the peace.

2108: Noise disturbance on Proctor Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2149: Noise disturbance on Leverett Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2154: Noise disturbance on Shurtleff St. The officer restored the peace.

2201: Noise disturbance on Overlook Ridge Terrace. The officer restored the peace.

2205: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil motor vehicle infraction (CMVI) and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2235: Noise disturbance on Warren St. The officer restored the peace.

2242: Hit-and-run MVA with property damage on Francis St. The officer provided assistance.

2246: Noise disturbance on Prospect Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2305: Noise disturbance on Vera St. The officer restored the peace.

2310: Noise disturbance on Dana St. The officer restored the peace.

on Walnut Place. The officer restored the peace.

1014: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Larkin St. and Rumney Rd. The officer will file a report.

1049: Noise disturbance on Prospect Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1053: Animal complaint on Haskell Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1104: MVA at Hutchinson and Abruzzi Sts. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers

1132: Disturbance on Oak Island St. The officer restored the peace.

1132: Blocked driveway on Kimball Ave. The officer ordered the MV be towed.

1135: Disabled MV at Copeland Circle. The officer provided assistance.

1156: Disabled MV at Revere St. and No. Shore Rd. The MV was towed.

1300: Parking complaint at Lawson and Mills Aves. The officer provided assistance.

1436: MVA at No. Shore Rd. and Freeman St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1458: An officer stopped a MV for a civil infraction on Revere St. The officer gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1504: MVA at Brown Circle. The officer will file a report.

1624: MVA on No. Shore Rd. The officer will file a



resident.

1031: Animal complaint on Bradstreet Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1100: B&E into a MV on VFW Parkway. The officer will file a report.

1103: An officer stopped a MV at VFW Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1109: MVA on Proctor Ave. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

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1320: A 209A order was served upon a Revere Beach Parkway resident.

1416: An officer stopped a MV on Ocean Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1422: An officer stopped a MV on Genesee St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1458: Unwanted person on Park Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1523: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1554: Larceny on the American Legion Highway. The officer will file a report.

1730: Parking complaint at Salem and Marshall Sts. The officer provided assistance

1742: Unwanted person on Adams Ct. The officer will file a report.

1916: Noise disturbance on Charger St. The officer provided assistance.

1927: MVA on Trevalley Rd. The officer will file a report.

1950: A 209A order was

a MV on No. shore Rd. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1532: MVA on Squire Rd. The officer will file a report.

1639: Unwanted person on Ocean Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1641: Larceny on Overlook Ridge Terrace. The officer will file a report.

1711: Unwanted person on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1805: MVA on Ocean Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1805: Illegal dumping on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

1824: Violation of a harassment prevention restraining order (258E order). The officer issued a summons to a 26 year-old Lynn woman for the criminal charge of violating a 258E order.

1852: Larceny on Dawes St. The officer will file a report.

1856: MVA on Hichborn St. The officer issued a citation to a 22 year-old Woburn man for the criminal charges of negligent operation of a MV and operating a MV with a suspended license.

1935: Vandalism on Lowe St. The officer will file a report.

2048: Noise disturbance on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer will file a report.

2059: Larceny on Grand Ave. The officer will file a report.

2215: Disturbance on Lambert St. The officer restored the peace.

2233: Parking complaint on Lincoln St. The MV was ordered towed.

2252: MVA on American Legion Highway. The offi-

0942 Disturbance Vane St. The officer spoke to the party.

1050: Unwanted person on Amasa St. The officer spoke to the party.

1101: An officer stopped a MV on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1101: Disturbance on Constitution Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1107: An officer stopped a MV on the Missing Link northbound for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1118: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer will file a report.

1301: B&E into a building on Winthrop Ave. The officer will file a report.

1414: Threats on Washington Ave. The officer will file a report.

1500: An officer stopped a MV on American Legion Highway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1519: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1524: The repossession of a MV was reported on Cummings Ave.

1527: An officer stopped a MV on Ocean Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1555: Disturbance on American Legion Highway. The officer restored the peace.

1558: B&E into a building on Lowe St. The officer will file a report.

1620: Disturbance at Dunn Rd. and Neponset St. The officer restored the peace.

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#### WEEKLY CRIME Report

1707: A MV was reported stolen on Winthrop Ave.

1737: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1756: Disturbance on Bennington St. The officer restored the peace.

1826: Noise disturbance on Suffolk Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1845: Disturbance at Sears St. The officer restored the peace.

2009: Officers assisted another agency and arrested a 37 year-old Chelsea man on an outstanding warrant.

2011: MVA on Washington Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2113: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer issued a summons to an 18 year-old Lynn woman on a charge of assault & battery upon a person over the age of 60.

2211: A trespass tow was reported on Ward St.

2220: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2323: Noise disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

**THURSDAY, JULY 23** 0228: Disturbance on the VFW Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

0450: Suspicious activity on Carlson Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

0453: The repossession of a MV was reported on Furness St.

1026: Parking complaint on Dix St. The officer provided assistance.

1116: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1305: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1314: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1321: Disturbance on Ocean Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1326: Following an investigation, officers issued a summons to a 13 year-old juvenile on charges of two counts of indecent assault & battery upon a child un-

1335: MVA on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1408: Unwanted person on Morris St. The officer provided assistance.

1450: A resident reported an identity theft.

1514: A 258E harassment prevention order was served upon a Revere Beach Parkway resident.

1531: Robbery on Squire Rd. The officer will file a report.

1545: Officers arrested three persons: Justin J. Myrick, 23, of Medford; Rene F. Peralta, 21, of Somerville; and Raul A. Landaverde, 23, of Somerville, each was charged with armed robbery, larceny from a person, assault & battery, and assault by means of a dangerous weapon.

1554: MVA on Reservoir Ave. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1557: A resident reported an identity theft.

1659: A 209A order was served upon a Hichborn St. resident.

1707: MVA on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1716: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1719: MVA on Revere St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1842: Disturbance on Charger St. The officer restored the peace.

2134: A trespass tow of a MV was reported on Ward

2220: An officer stopped a MV on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2344: MVA at Brown Circle. The officer will file a report.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 24

0026: Harassment on Winthrop Ave. The officer will file a report. 0817: Disturbance on

Squire Rd. The property owner gave a No Trespass Notice to the subject party.

1023: Hit-and-run MVA

1126: Disturbance on No. Shore Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1140: MVA on No. Shore Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1421: A MV was reported stolen on Winthrop Ave. The officer will file a report.

1438: Shoplifting on Squire Rd. The officer will file a report.

1618: An officer stopped a MV at the Revere Beach Parkway and Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1627: Unwanted person on Festa Rd. The officer will file a report.

1727: An officer stopped a MV at the Revere Beach Parkway and Green St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1736: Noise disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1915: A repossession of a MV was reported on Blaney St.

2009: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2017: Disturbance at Lynn and Spring Sts. The officer restored the peace.

2304: Violation of a 209A order on Kingman Ave. The officer will file a report.

2311: Noise disturbance on Thornton St. The officer restored the peace.

2340: B&E into a building on Constitution Ave. Officers placed a 27 yearold Norton man into protective custody and issued a summons for the criminal charge of malicious destruction of property under \$1200.

SATURDAY, JULY 25 0007: An officer stopped a MV at the Revere Beach Parkway and No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0139: Noise disturbance on Fowler Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0155: An officer stopped a MV at Copeland Circle for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0215: Noise disturbance n No. Shore Rd. The officer restored the peace. 0234: Noise disturbance on Waite St. The officer restored the peace. 0322: Noise disturbance on No. Shore Rd. The officer restored the peace. 0621: A trespass tow was reported on Ward St.

0852: Disturbance on Ward St. The officer restored the peace.

0932: B&E into a MV on Walnut Ave. The officer will file a report. 1003: A resident reported

an identity theft. 1106: Larceny on Ocean

Ave. The officer will file a report.

1116: An officer stopped a MV at Carey Circle for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1116: Unwanted person on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

1127: A MV was reported stolen on Shirley Ave.

1138: Animal complaint on Asti Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1156: Disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1213: A LoJack hit on a MV was reported on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer will file a report.

1224: Suspicious activity at Mahoney Circle. The officer provided assistance.

1322: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1338: Suspicious activity on Ward St. The officer will file a report.

1341: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1356: Shoplifting on Squire Rd. The officer will file a report.

1636: Noise disturbance on Bruno St. The officer re-

stored the peace. 1700: MVA at No. Shore Rd. and Freeman St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers

1710: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator

1734: Noise disturbance on Amelia Place. The officer restored the peace.

1813: A resident reported an identity theft.

1821: Disturbance on the Missing Link northbound. The officer restored the peace.

a MV on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1918: An officer stopped a MV on American Legion Highway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1921: An officer stopped a MV on American Legion Highway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1930: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1932: Noise disturbance on Ambrose St. The officer restored the peace.

1945: A trespass tow was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

2008: Noise disturbance on Griswold St. The officer restored the peace.

2021: Noise disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2044: An officer stopped a MV on Lee Burbank Highway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2109: An officer stopped a MV at No. Shore Rd. and Revere St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2122: Disturbance on Lincoln St. The officer will file a report.

2137: Noise disturbance on Wilson St. The officer restored the peace.

2211: Noise disturbance on Milano Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2211: MVA on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

2223: Noise disturbance on E. Mountain ave. The officer restored the peace.

2335: Noise disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

at Harrington and Rice

Aves. The officer spoke to

a MV on Ward St. for a civil

infraction and gave a verbal

warning to the operator.

the party.

2335: Noise disturbance

2343: An officer stopped

**SUNDAY, JULY 26** 

0113: Noise disturbance

on Beach St. The officer re-

stored the peace.

der the age of 14.

1333: An officer stopped a MV on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

with property damage on Proctor Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1026: A MV that had been reported as stolen was located on Railroad St.

1904: An officer stopped a MV at Beach St. and VFW Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1913: An officer stopped

0229: B&E into a build ing on Vane St. The officer will file a report.

0417: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0433: Disturbance on

he officer will file a report.

2241: B&E into a building on Park Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2313: Noise disturbance on Beach St. The officer restored the peace.

## USCIS adjust fees to help meet operational needs

#### Staff report

Last week, the Department of Homeland Security announced a final rule that adjusts fees for certain immigration and naturalization benefit requests to ensure U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) recovers its costs of services.

Unlike most government agencies, USCIS is fee

funded. Fees collected and deposited into the Immigration Examinations Fee Account fund nearly 97% of USCIS' budget. As required by federal

law, USCIS conducted a comprehensive biennial fee review and determined that current fees do not recover the cost of providing adjudication and naturalization services. DHS is adjusting USCIS fees by a weighted

average increase of 20% to help recover its operational costs. Current fees would leave the agency underfunded by about \$1 billion per year.

"USCIS is required to examine incoming and outgoing expenditures and make adjustments based on that analysis," said Joseph Edlow, USCIS deputy director for policy. "These overdue adjustments in fees

are necessary to efficiently and fairly administer our nation's lawful immigration system, secure the homeland and protect Americans."

The rule accounts for increased costs to adjudicate immigration benefit requests, detect and deter immigration fraud, and thoroughly vet applicants, petitioners and beneficiaries. The rule also supports payroll, technology and operations to accomplish

the USCIS mission. The rule removes certain fee exemptions, includes new nominal fees for asylum applicants, and reduces fee waivers to help recover the costs of adjudication.

This final rule also encourages online filing by providing a \$10 reduction in the fee for applicants who submit forms online that are electronically available from USCIS. Online filing is the most secure, efficient, cost-effective and convenient way to submit a request with USCIS.

USCIS last updated its fee structure in December 2016 by a weighted average increase of 21%.

For a full list of changes and a complete table of final fees, see the final rule.

This final rule is effective Oct. 2, 2020. Any application, petition, or request postmarked on or after this date must include payment of the new, correct fees established by this final rule.

# Unemployment claims increase for the week ending July 25

Staff Report

For the week ending July 25, Massachusetts had 19,179 individuals file an initial claim for regular Unemployment Insurance (UI), an increase of 1,025 over the previous week.

Increases were wide-

spread throughout all sectors. From March 15 to July 25, a total of 1,144,983 workers have filed an initial claim for regular UI. For the sixth week in a row, continued UI claims at 502,471 were down 8,235 or 1.61 percent over the previous week.

The Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) initial claims filed for the week ending July 25, at 14,850, were 2,448 more than the previous week. Since April 20, some 691,298 claimants have filed an initial claim for the PUA. The Pandemic Emergen-

cy Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which provided up to 13 weeks of extended benefits, was implemented on May 21. For the week July 18 to July 25, some 4,155 PEUC initial claims were filed, 612 lower than the previous week, bringing the total of PEUC filings to 79,278 since implementation.

Since March, the customer service staff at the Department of Un-Assistance employment (DUA) has grown from around 50 employees to over 2000. The remote customer service operation is now making over 35,000 individual contacts per day and DUA continues to host unemployment town halls - which have been held in English, Spanish, and Portuguese - and have been attended by around 400,000 constituents.



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#### **REVERE** THROUGH THE YEARS

Revere resident Rafael Sabatino, an Army Private with the 101st Airborne Division, is among the largest deployments of troops to ship out from Massachusetts since WWII, headed for Afghanistan. He will be stationed at Operation Forward Base Wilson. He is a 2008 grad of Revere High and joined the Army upon graduation.

Infighting among the politicians on Beacon Hill has stalled the casino gambling legislation. It is widely expected that Suffolk Downs will be a leading candidate for a hotel-casino if the legislation becomes reality.

There are more renters in the city than homeowners, reversing the trend of the past 20 years which saw the number of homeowners equal the number of renters by 2000. By contrast, Chelsea's population is 72 percent renters, while Saugus is 71 percent homeowners.

The Other Guys. The Oxford Murders, and Step-Up 3D are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

#### 30 years ago August 8, 1990

With the MWRA eyeing Rowe's Quarry as a site for a dump for the sludge from the Deer Island sewage treatment plant, the Big Dig is looking at it as a possible site for the fill from the Big Dig project as well. City officials are opposed to both plans.

With Mass. residents already reeling from the increase in the state gasoline tax of six cents, the recent invasion of Kuwait by Saddam Hussein of Iraq has sent oil prices soaring on world markets.

Local electric rates are expected to increase by six percent effective January 1.

Black Lace and Lingerie recently provided a publicity stunt by having three scantily-clad young women attired in black lace string bikini-style lingerie parade through the city's streets atop a limousine.

The Two Jakes, Flatliners, and Mo' Better Blues are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

#### 40 years ago August 13, 1980

The office of Suffolk County D.A. Newman Flanagan has found no basis to allegations by the architectural firm working on the new Beachmont School that Mayor George Colellla attempted to shake down the architect by demanding that the firm make a donation to Colella's campaign fund through his administrative assistant, Arthur Nigro. The firm had alleged that Colella was holding up payment of \$27,000 in billings until it made the donation.

The annual blueberry pie eating contest held by the Parks and Rec. Dept. was a big success last week.

The License Commission has issued an all-alcohol license to a new restaurant in Beachmont, the Little Villa, to be located above Dimino's at 190 Revere Beach Parkway.

State police raided three locations in the city and arrested four men on charges of operating a \$50 million per year sports betting ring. The raids in Revere were among 18 locations raided in Greater Boston.

John DeDomenico won the eighth annual Mayor's Tennis Tournament in the men's A Division. Carolyn Anderson won the women's crown.

The Giants won the City League title, sweeping the Braves. Churckie Perella led the way for the Giants in game one with three hits, including his 11th career homer, and Kevin Gallagher scattered six hits. In game two, Scott Slaney slugged a grand slam for the Braves, but Sal Cerrone did the same for the Giants to pace his team to a 17-11 victory.

#### 50 years ago August 6, 1970

RHS Principal Dr. Albert Fulchino has announced his retirement effective November 6, citing health reasons. He has been the principal since 1960 and has taught in the Revere schools

#### PLAYING BALL AT MCMACKEN FIELD



Coaches and players on the 1981 Little League White Sox team take a break from their warm-ups to pose for a photo at McMacken Field.

since 1937. He graduated from RHS in 1931.

Mayor George Colella will take the first step toward urban renewal in the city when he asks the City Council to establish a Revere Redevelopment Authority this week.

The new Northeast Regional Vocational High School in Wakefield is set to open September 9.

A two-alarm fire destroyed Alfonso's Restaurant and Nightclub at 660 Squire Rd, causing an estimated \$150,000 in damage.

Jim Brown and Lee Van Cleef star in El Condor at the Revere Drive In.

#### 60 years ago August 11, 1960

Mayor Ray Carey took the city's public school physicians to task for the delays and lateness in the polio inoculation clinics in the city this year. More than 1900 local children received booster shots in the first three days of the clinic.

The City Council has approved moving the telephone poles on Mills Ave. to the residential side of the road at the request of the residents.

Hundreds of local youngsters have been taking swimming lessons at Revere Beach in a program sponsored by the Revere Journal in conjunction with the Red Cross.

Jack Lemmon, Shirley MacLaine, and Fred Mac-Murray star in The Apartment at the Revere Drive In. Stuart Whitman stars in Murder Inc. at the Revere Theatre.

#### 70 years ago August 10, 1950

City Manager Edward C. Monahan and the Board of Assessors have announced a tax rate of \$57.00, an increase of \$3.60. Monahan said heavy borrowing by past mayoral administrations has caught up with the city's finances. However, the tax increase is only about half that of most other neighboring communities.

The Revere Housing Authority is seeking a federal grant to study the city's housing needs for the fu-

ture, with an eye to developing a long-range plan.

An article in this week's Revere Journal notes that Paris still is the fashion capital of the world.

Burt Lancaster and Yvonne DeCarlo star in Criss Cross at the Revere Drive In. Glenn Ford and Claude Rains star in The White Tower at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

#### 80 years ago August 8, 1940

City Council Pres. Ray Carey, City Treasurer Thomas U. Kelley, and Assessor Parker Brown all have announced their candidacies to oppose incumbent Mayor Laurence J. Gillis.

Mayor Gillis has made a finding of guilty in the matter of Police Sgt. Phillip Gallo's alleged sexual assault of a 24 year-old woman in the police station, where the woman is working as part of a federal program. Gallo now will appear before Gillis for a disciplinary proceeding.

The City of Revere will and Boulevard Theatres.

be featured on August 29 on the Major Bowes Original Amateur Hour, which is broadcast on 80 radio stations and on WEEI in Boston. Bowes will feature the city's historical background and its social, cultural, and educational achievements. Former mayor Andrew Casassa was instrumental in obtaining this honor for the city.

All Revere alien residents, reported to number in the thousands, must report to the local Post Office to register and be fingerprinted.

Ginger ale is the most popular of the Arctic brand of soft drinks manufactured by the Floyd Beverage Co., 92 Waite St.

Greater Boston, with a population of 2,238,576, ranks as the fifth-largest metro area in the country. This is a slight increase in population since 1930 and 15 percent more than in 1920.

Loretta Young and Ray Milland star in The Doctor Takes a Wife at the Revere



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CHELSEA - The Chelsea Public Schools are beginning a whirlwind of planning and meetings starting tonight when the administration unveils its re-opening plans to the School Committee – plans that have three alternatives and a lot of grey areas in between.

Supt. Almi Abeyta said they went over the plans at the School Committee meeting on Thursday, July 30, and then begin a full week of virtual meetings and one in-person meeting as well to hear what parents think.

"We will presented to the School Committee the three plans and show what we've worked on," she said. "Then we'll have some community conversations and hear what parents think. We're going to be busy."

The input sessions started on July 31 and went through the first week in August as well, with an expected School Committee vote on the final plan by Aug. 11.

The three plans are based upon a very strong parent survey that went out two weeks ago and had 1,900 responses. The results of that showed that about 66 percent of families would be willing to send their children in-person to school all the time or part of the time. However, a large number -33 percent – said they only wanted online learning.

"We had a strong response to the survey and of the 1,900 that responded, 79 percent were in Spanish," she said. "We know that two-thirds of our families would be willing to come back with in-person and remote learning and with all in-person learning. So we know a good two-thirds of parents are willing - maybe not every day – to come back. We also know that one-third are not willing to come back and we have to meet those needs too."

Abeyta said no matter what they decide about in-person, they have realized from the survey they need a robust remote plan in place by the start of school which will come 10 days later than normal by state decree earlier this week. "We can't have 33 percent of our students not learning," she said. One key in Chelsea is that it was such a hot spot for the virus and so many student families were impacted directly. Abeyta said one member of the Re-Opening Task Force had been inflicted with COVID-19, and was in no way interested in having students back in school. This is an experience that must be anticipated in Chelsea, Abeyta said, as so many were traumatized here by sickness or death. "That person's reaction to us bringing students back to school was that we had no business being in school buildings until there was a vaccine," she said. "On the other hand, I also had a parent who is part of the special education program and they said their child isn't receiving services and they want them back in school to get services." That will mean that remote learning will need to be much improved over last Spring's emergency online learning plans – which were good for some, and not for others. "Families are saying they need more rigor and more structure with the remote learning," she said. "The work we've done this summer is how do we strengthen that and how do we improve it. It will be improved and it will be guided and it will be more organized."

virus to return if they go in person, but it will be a matter of controlling it as the community is doing now with masks and precautions.

If students are in person, they will be in groups of 15 and spaced out accordingly in the classrooms with teachers. They will be kept in a cohort so that if someone in the cohort tests positive, it will be much easier to quarantine the group.

"If someone is positive, we'll know they have been in certain areas," she said. "We know the virus is going to happen. We know it's still out there. We just want to maintain control. In a way, school will be safer than a grocery store. We'll monitor things completely and there will be PPE and hand-washing all the time."

One part of the plan that is universal for Chelsea is that students will be spaced out six feet apart. State regulations allow for as low as three feet between students to increase numbers, but Abeyta said six feet is right for Chelsea.

"In Chelsea, we're looking at six feet and not three feet," she said. "We're going by the data from the Harvard Department of Public Health. We feel six feet is right. We're going to hold to the highest standard."

#### **BILL PASSES FOR** AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN **CHELSEA**

CHELSEA - Last week, Bill H.4368 Home Rule Petition, an Act relative to certain affordable housing in the city of Chelsea, passed in the Senate. Sponsored by Reps. Dan Ryan and RoseLee Vincent, H.4368 would exempt the redevelopment project of Chelsea's Innes Apartments from general law related to the procurement and award of contracts - providing greater predictability of cost, a more streamlined construction schedule and union contractors with past experience with the construction team. It will also allow a greater ability to meet diversity goals for the project. "We applaud Representatives Ryan and Vincent and Senator DiDomenico for their work in continuing to advance the much-needed redevelopment of affordable housing for Chelsea residents," said Jennifer Corcoran, Project Director of Joseph J. Corcoran Company. "Without a Home Rule Petition, this project would not be possible. We're grateful for their work in helping move this bill through the House and bring Chelsea residents the high-quality housing they deserve." Thursday, July 30, from 10 a.m.-noon Joseph J. Corcoran team will be hosting a Voter Registration Drive for residents at 61 Watts St. Chelsea has been selected to envision a \$135 million redevelopment of the existing Innes Apartments public housing community. The redevelopment of the Innes Apartments public housing community in Chelsea will offer new homes for all current residents and create a fully accessible, mixed-income, mixed-use community. All 96 existing public housing units will be replaced onefor-one while adding 40 new middle-income units and 194 market-rate units all inter-mingled throughout the property. When complete, the transformed Innes Apartments will feature a range affordable housing of solutions for both current residents and new-comers to Chelsea, including martransit-oriented ket-rate housing, small business retail, increased public green space, a modernized play-

ground, and a robust resident programming component that includes job training, educational services, and youth activities.

#### A MIX OF LEARNING IN **EVERETT SCHOOLS**

EVERETT - The Everett Public Schools said if all remains the same with guidance from the state and the data on COVID-19, they would probably open up school with a completely virtual teaching model – albeit much different in look and content from what was rolled out on an emergency basis last spring.

Supt. Priya Tahiliani said they have learned that many parents won't be comfortable sending their children back to school in September – but may grow more comfortable with the idea as time goes on if the virus continues to be controlled. While changes can happen at any time to set the process back, she said they are meeting parents in that place of uncertainty and taking a phased approach even as other districts wade into the waters of hybrid in-person plans starting in September.

"At this point, our current plan...we're talking about is our instruction would be completely virtual," she said. "What I mean by that is we know we have many families not comfortable sending students back in the fall. This would mean all students are doing the same thing whether they are in the building or not."

sports or other school activities - whether at-home learners or in the VLCs. All of it would be clearly laid out and there would be no "figuring it out," she said.

The schools came to this plan because, so far, the parent surveys sent out last week were overwhelmingly uncertain. Some 45 percent of the parents surveyed – and there were a lot of surveys returned - said they were unsure right now about how school should resume. Then there was an even split as to how many were comfortable with sending kids back, and how many were not comfortable sending them back.

At best, it was inconclusive right now, and a main reason for the phased approach.

"It might change with time," she said. "We like to think it will be black and white, but I think it will be across the spectrum of how families navigate this. I actually think there are all shades of grey we will be working with."

The plan, though, is not to stay virtual for very long. If things continue to improve, the plan would be to transition in the second Quarter and then in the third Quarter.

"Many districts are doing a week in and a week off in the fall," she said. "We do plan to do that in Quarter 2, but we are taking a phased approach. Quarter 1 is the VLCs and Quarter 2 is a hybrid balance and Quarter 3 is when hopefully we can pretty much have everyone back in school. With smart spacing, we should be able to fit all students in for five days of instruction."

this week that, while they are waiting for more specific guidelines from the state, they do expect sports and extra-curricular activities to take place this fall.

That coming despite a modified virtual classroom for Everett right now in the first Quarter of the school year.

"We want to do sports and we want to bring clubs together," she said. "Band practice has already started. The traditional hybrid won't preclude us from doing anything else."

She said right now the district is moving forward with the idea that sports will be allowed, but they are waiting for specific plans from the state.

"Whatever the state allows us, we'll do," she said.

#### CITY OFFICIALS LOOK TOWARD WATERFRONT

EVERETT - One benefit of the renewed waterfront is boating - and Everett has the potential to squeeze in about 50 moorings on the Malden River and bring new boating to the community to the community for the first time in generations.

The City commissioned a study on waterfront access and a potential mooring field from GEI Consultants this year, and the study just master for Everett. It's not just a title though. Chief Carli was a member of the Coast Guard, is an avid boater and has his Captain's License for up to 100 ton vessels. He said he was extremely excited to see the results of the mooring study.

He said there are marinas and yacht clubs further up the Mystic River in Somerville and Medford that are exclusive and popular and not in nearly as good a position as the Everett location. He expects any offering to be gobbled up very quickly.

"It's an excellent location because you get through the locks and you're in Boston Harbor and the Little Mystic," he said. "I think we open up a lottery for the first 30 to 35 moorings. When that lottery opens up, we have all 35 taken and an endless waiting list. There are some cities and towns that have waiting lists 20 years long. I think the potential is incredible. We will never lack customers. We want to make sure it's fair."

Carli said he believes they can get 50 moorings in the field, and if they limit the size to smaller boats, probably even more. If things go successfully, there is also a way to double-up on the moorings.

One key is that with the size of the boats, there is no threat to having to lift the Alford Street Bridge to get these boats under the Bridge. He said at the size of 25 feet or below, most every boat would fit under the bridge without it having to be raised. "The height of the Alford Street Bridge is always going to be a concern," he said. "However, the size of these boats we're looking at, we should be able to clear under the bridge at any height...We don't want to come in and have the Alford Street Bridge opening up 50 or more times." Right now, it's too late to get anything started for this boating season, but Carli said this allows them time to carefully plan for next year. They will need to decide on a fee, and Carli thinks they can increase the report's suggested fee by about \$5 to \$10 per foot. They would also have to figure out how to manage it, and that would likely be farmed out to a professional service to administer for the City - paid for with the new mooring fees. The off-season would also provide ample time to start the permitting process and the waterways discussions. The mooring equipment would be paid for and provided by the boat owners. The study indicated startup costs of about \$45,000 and annual revenues of up to \$11,000. That would mean in year four or so, the City would be able to begin using the fees to pay for improvements to the waterfront. "The overall revenue may not outweigh the costs

# WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL HOLDS GRADUATION CEREMONY



The Winthrop High School Class of 2020 does the traditional cap toss to wrap up their official 2020 graduating ceremony on last Friday, July 24.

Abeyta also said they have to be ready for the

At the same time, teachers aren't necessarily comfortable returning in the fall as well.

"What I hear from teachers is they would prefer coming back virtual too," she said. "It's not going to be the emergency instruction we had, but rigorous and high-quality instruction being created by teachers and we have expectations on grading and bell-to-bell school days and schedules."

This first Quarter situation would work with a combination of students that are working from home and of students that are set up in school buildings at Virtual Learning Centers (VLCs).

Teachers would not be in front of a classroom, and the VLCs would likely be a cohort of students that would be prioritized by need and preference. Teachers would prepare and present lessons online to students at home and at the VLCs using computers and tablets. Students would have a set schedule for their classes just as if they were in a traditional school day. The one difference is the VLCs would have a monitor for every cohort that would not be a teacher, but would be someone qualified to answer questions or help with technology.

Students would also report to the schools on certain days for clubs, or

One of the key drivers in not starting with a hybrid model of schooling came down to adult work schedules, said Tahiliani. She said many parents weren't sure how they would be able to go to work, and also have kids at home trying to learn online without supervision.

"This plan also gives us the ability to learn from... other districts," she said. "There are so many different ways school is being done and it will be important in that first Quarter to look at them and build off that."

The VLCs for the fall are just now being sorted out, and the logistics are still being worked out right now with teachers, parents, students and staff. Tahiliani said they would probably choose those for in-school VLCs through a lens of equity - meaning those that do not have internet or do not have reliable technology would be first in line. Others who prefer to be in person would then be allowed. She said she believes it will probably sort itself out without have to make difficult selections of who come into the building and who stays at home.

Fall sports, clubs and band will be on despite virtual classrooms

Supt. Priya Tahiliani said

came in at the end of June with good results.

The study concluded among many other things - that the City could get at least 40 moorings onto the Malden River off of Gateway Park for boats up to 25 feet long. Such a plan would bring boating access to Everett, and also bring in a source of revenue through mooring fees and excise taxes that would go directly back into improving and maintaining the waterfront.

Moorings are small balllike equipment that are anchored to the river floor and hold a boat in place during boating season. They are removed in the winter. The moorings allow boat access via a shuttle service or using a dinghy boat and a dock. Such facilities are extremely popular in Boston Harbor, and it's very rare that new facilities with close access open up to the public.

The study predicted the City could begin turning a profit on the bargain in about three to five years.

"Based on the assumptions noted...in this report, potentially 40 moorings for 25-foot-long vessels are feasible," read the report. "This location and layout provide easy access to the locks, while maintaining the existing

channel along the western side of the river. The moorings are laid out such they wouldn't impede on the channel and maintaining sufficient space between them to accommodate the variations in the swing radius and water level changes."

Fire Chief Tony Carli – by charter – is the harbor-

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# Application period open for Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Programs

#### Staff Report

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is accepting applications for two funding opportunities under the Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program. The grant opportunities, mandated by Congress and funded with appropriations rather than the agency's operating funds, will provide up to \$10 million in grants for citizenship preparation programs in communities across the country.

These competitive grant opportunities are open to

organizations that prepare lawful permanent residents for naturalization and promote civic assimilation through increased knowledge of English, U.S. history, and civics.

USCIS expects to announce award recipients in September 2020, if agency staff are available to review applications and oversee the program. However, should agency staff be furloughed in late August, USCIS anticipates that the grant program could be impacted or even terminated for the fiscal year.

USCIS seeks to expand

availability of high-quality citizenship and assimilation services throughout the country with these two grant opportunities:

•Citizenship Instruction and Naturalization Application Services. This grant opportunity will fund up to 33 organizations that offer both citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to lawful permanent residents. Applications are due by Aug. 31.

•The Refugee and Asylee Assimilation Program. This grant opportunity will fund up to six organizations to provide individualized services to lawful permanent residents who entered the United States under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program or were granted asylum. Applications are due by Aug. 31.

USCIS will consider various program and organizational factors, including past grantee performance, when making final award decisions. In addition, all funded grant recipients must enroll in E-Verify as a regular employer within 30 days of receiving the award and remain as a participant in good standing with E-Verify throughout

the entire period of grant performance. Funded grant recipients will be required to verify all new hires at hiring locations performing work on a program or activity that is funded in whole or in part under the grant. New to this year's program is a prerequisite that applicants and sub-awardees certified under the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) must comply with all SEVP requirements at the time of application.

Since it began in 2009, the USCIS Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program has awarded approximately \$92 million through 434 grants to immigrant-serving organizations in 39 states and the District of Columbia.

To apply for one of these funding opportunities, visit grants.gov. For additional information on the Citizenship and Assimilation Grant Program for fiscal year 2020, visit uscis.gov/ grants or email the USCIS Office of Citizenship at citizenshipgrantprogram@uscis.dhs.gov.

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of design, permitting and management of the moorings themselves," read the report. "Applications for permits, design and overall management may not enable the City to break even or make revenue for approximately 5 years, however, after that the City could net money and use the revenue to perform maintenance to the other potential access points along the river."

Carli said they would be setting aside some of the moorings for public use, with an eye on people coming from out of the area by boat with Everett as the destination – a totally new concept.

"They could tie up here, take a dinghy to the dock and then they're at the bike path and that's a short walk to the casino, the Gateway Mall and beyond," he said.

Overall, Carli said it is a very rare opportunity and a new access point for Everett residents and the Boston Harbor boating community. He said it was the vision of Mayor Carlo DeMaria almost 12 years ago when the mayor was first elected. Carli said he remembers being called in with the late Chief Butler to talk about boat access and moorings off the Gateway Mall. Carli said he was skeptical, but it was a dream of the mayor's and they considered it.

Now, so many years later, it's an exciting and real the BPDA and the appointment of an IAG made up of community members for the proposal.

The developer wanted to take a non-conforming and outdated industrial use currently housing Gino's Auto Body on Bremen Street and turn the site into a development that includes a mix of residential housing and ground-floor retail space.

The project consists of the construction of a mixed-use development with 145 residential units, up to 3,200 square feet of retail space, and up to 61 off-street vehicle parking spaces.The project also includes related upgrades in public realm improvements, including pedestrian and vehicular access, landscaping and streetscape design. With a combined land area of approximately 34,160 square feet, the site consists of nine contiguous parcels of land with a series of non-descript automobile repair structures, one small wood-frame residential buildings, surface parking and multiple curb-cuts off Bremen Street.

The 110,000 square foot building included more than 3,000 square feet of retail space, over 2,155 square feet of artist workspace with gallery programming, up to 61 parking spaces and 145 bicycle storage spaces.

According to the BPDA The ground-floor retail space would be designed for an urban grocery store/ market operator, daycare operator or local retailer. to summer youth programs. Earlier this month, the City of Boston announced a unique in-person day programming opportunity for youth in Eastie.

The program, a partnership between BCYF and Crossroads, a youth development organization, has been underway since July 13 and will run through August 14.

According to BCYF Commissioner William Morales, the program is committed to offering an alternative to virtual summer activities. Crossroads and BCYF have teamed up at community centers in Eastie and elsewhere in Boston to offer weeklong daytime programming.

"Thanks to our partnership with Crossroads, we are able to offer more fun and engaging summer programs while following important new regulations and procedures," said Morales. "This program is a great addition to our other summer offerings and the children are loving it."

Morales said the Crossroads/BCYF programs follow all COVID-19 regulations to ensure a safe and innovative solution to the reduction in summer programming as a result of the pandemic. These programs provide young people ages 7-12 with access to vital social networks and opportunities to grow and learn, families with an option for their children to be engaged out of the home, and youth with summer jobs. Each session is five days long, taking place Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. and is limited to 50 youth, with group sizes no larger than 10. "As it became increasingly clear that running our overnight camps simply would not be feasible this summer, we began to reimagine how Crossroads might be part of the solution to meaningfully engage children from Boston who have spent the past four months in isolation, struggling with the loss of their social and educational systems," said President of Crossroads Simon Hess. "If we couldn't bring kids to our camps, why not bring Crossroads programs to children in their own communities? After being connected to BCYF, it became clear that we shared a common objective - providing high quality programs to children and families who were looking for options beyond computer screens this summer." Crossroads is a youth development organization founded in 1936 with the mission of empowering young people to unlock their potential and positively impact the world. Crossroads offers year-round programming to 1,100 children and teens from greater Boston and Brockton, including day programs and overnight summer camps at Crossroads sites in Duxbury (Camp Wing), Brewster (Camp Mitton), and Ashby (Camp Lapham).

#### FRELICK RETURNS TO ACTION

LYNN - Sal's back. And that's very good news for the North Shore Navigators as they begin their playoff drive in the

their playoff drive in the Futures Collegiate Baseball League.

Sal Frelick, the Navigators' superb leadoff batter from Lexington, returned to the lineup Tuesday and scored the only run in the team's 1-0 victory over the Westfield Starfires at Fraser Field.

Frelick, who plays for Boston College and is a potential first round pick in next year's Major League Baseball Draft, had been sidelined after sustaining a hamstring injury in a July 12 game. The Navigators (9-10) struggled during Frelick's absence and slipped out of a playoff spot.

But with Frelick back at full speed, the Navigators won a hard-fought, wellpitched game versus the playoff-contending Starfires.

It didn't take long for Frelick to announce his presence. The 5-foot-9, 175 pound left-handed batter led off the bottom of the first with a single to right field. He advanced to second on Ben Malgeri's basehit. Frelick stole third and scored on Cam Climo's sacrifice fly to center.

for the Navigators, said the North Shore Navigators-Nashua Silver Knights game in Nashua on Saturday, Aug. 15 at 1 p.m., will be televised line on NESN.

#### FAISON JOINS GROUP TO END SYSTEMIC RACISM

WINTHROP - On Wednesday, July 22, Winthrop Town Manager Austin Faison added his name to a list of 18 mayors and town managers from Massachusetts in a pledge to end systemic racism and

police violence. Faison joins municipal leaders of Arlington, Ashland, Beverly, Cambridge, Chelsea, Framingham, Holyoke, Medford, Melrose, Middleton, Nantucket, Newburyport, Newton, Revere, Salem, Somerville and Swampscott.

Systemic racism (also known as institutional racism) is racism that is woven into societal norms and institutions, and can lead to discriminatory practices in every stage of the criminal justice system, from stops and arrests to sentencing and parole.

The pledge was initiated by residents across the Commonwealth demanding change in the wake of recent killings of Black and Brown individuals by police officers. It's divided into three sections: principles, legislative items, and local policies. The five basic principles underlying the pledge are that systemic racism is a public health emergency, that racial inequity in municipal services must be identified, that police violence must end, that racism in law enforcement must be addressed, and that urgent action is required. The pledge suggests five legislative actions on a state level: independently investigate use of force by officers, create a commission on structural racism and statutory limits on police use of force, back legislation endorsed by the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus, secure funding for anti-racism training, empower municipalities to quickly address police misconduct, and revamp the civil service recruitment process. The pledge presents 18 policies that towns and cities can start adopting right away. These were informed by existing campaigns such as #8CantWait and Campaign Zero and include a duty to intervene, banning chokeholds, reallocating police budgets and hiring more people of color. Town Manager Faison has previously stated that he is committed to working toward a better relationship between the police and the community. "I'm excited that there is a regional approach to our policing policies and procedures," he told the Transcript in an email "There are many municipalities within the region and it is useful to have similar baselines."

read online at arlingtonma.gov/home/showdocument?id=52315.

#### NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES ANNOUNCED

WINTHROP - Town Manager Austin Faison reports that a new water and sewer rate will be reflected on customers' bills.

Water/sewer bills dated August 3 will be based on the new combined water and sewer rate of \$23.65. This is an \$0.75 increase from the previous rate of \$22.90, which was set in Feb. 2019. This rate is applicable to the billing period that began on April 6.

The need for a rate adjustment was first announced in April as part of the Town Manager's Fiscal Year 2021 budget submission. This rate adjustment funds the Fiscal Year 2021 water/sewer budget approved by the Town Council on June 16. It is less than the increase anticipated at the onset of the budget process due to updated revenue projections and smaller increases in the final Fiscal Year 2021 assessments the Town pays to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA).

The new rate ensures adequate funding is available for the town's water and sewer needs based on current projections. Revenue raised from these bills is used for the maintenance and repairs to Winthrop's water and sewer infrastructure, pay off debt from completed projects and saved for future capital projects. This includes projects such as ongoing lead line replacement for water lines, which is required by the state, as well as various sewer projects to eliminate issues with sewer back-ups.

possibility.

"This is something the mayor has talked about for a long time and I was skeptical, but it is exciting to begin to think about it in real terms," he said. "It's not too often in Boston or Massachusetts that they start to create new areas of access. It's kind of like what it's been for 100 years and that's it. This could be really exciting for the City."

#### ZBA TURNS DOWN PROJECT

EAST BOSTON - The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals recently sent developers of a Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) approved project on Bremen Street back to the drawing board.

Citing a lack of greenspace coupled with the size and scope of the project, the ZBA unanimously rejected the proposed project at 282-302 Bremen St. that would have brought 145 additional units to Eastie.

A representative of Mayor Martin Walsh's office spoke in opposition to the project --something that made abutters to the project very happy.

The project received BPDA approval in February and was under Article 80 Large Project review and still needed zoning variances from the ZBA to move forward.

In February the BPDA approved 145 residential units, 21 of which are income-restricted to the neighborhood at the site.

Bremen Acquisitions filed the project with the BPDA last year that kicked off an Article 80 review by Prior to the ZBA vote, Bremen Acquisition released its community mitigation package to members of the project's IAG.

The package is comparable to other projects of its size with \$200,000 in direct money benefits Eastie. The developer agreed to doing 15 percent affordable onsite housing--two percent more than what is required under the BPDA inclusionary policy.

The developer also agreed to install 19 trees, expand the sidewalks--up to 18 feet in some areas, install a safety bump out to make crossing Bremen Street easier for pedestrians as well as creating a more active Bremen Street in what has been an industrial area.

Bremen Acquisitions has also agreed to expand the retail space to make room for a fresh grocer which is desperately needed in the area.

However, in the end the ZBA ruled that the community and abutter's concerns over density, design and lack of greenspace needed to be addressed before moving forward.

#### TEAMING UP FOR YOUTH PROGRAMS

EAST BOSTON - The COVID-19 pandemic has kept many children in Eastie isolated for months. Now with the summer here and some restrictions being eased during the state's phased reopening plan local youths are starting to have more time outdoors thanks The Navs' Cam Climo pitched six scoreless innings, allowing two hits while striking out seven batters. Peter Saskellaris

while striking out seven batters. Peter Saskellaris (Virginia Tech), Jack Wallace (Franklin Pierce), and Max Meier (Stanford) each pitched one inning in relief, with Meier earning the save for a perfect ninth inning.

Frelick talked about his return to the Navigators, who are within two games of the second and final playoff spot in the FCBL standings.

"I am obviously super excited to be back after missing a couple of games," said Frelick. "It felt great getting back in the lineup and I was happy we could get the win. Hopefully we can keep this momentum going into the next couple of weeks down the final stretch."

Scouts from Major League Baseball teams have been attending Navs' games and evaluating the skills of Frelick and many of his teammates as they relate to the 2021 MLB Draft.

"Seeing all the scouts at the games is definitely exciting, but my main focus this summer is to have fun and develop as a baseball player," said Frelick. "Whether we are playing in an empty stadium or in front of fans and scouts, I'm just grateful for the opportunity to play baseball this summer."

Navigators fans, who are not allowed to attend home games due to state regulations for the coronavirus pandemic, will have an opportunity to see Manager Bob Macaluso's exciting team on live television in August. Joshua Kummins, director of media relations

The full pledge can be

The money raised from water and sewer bills can only be used for water and sewer projects, and cannot be used for any other town project.

"This additional funding will allow us to make necessary repairs to keep our water and sewer systems working the way they should and significantly reduce the risk of having to make emergency repairs,' Town Manager Faison said. "While we recognize that this announcement comes during a difficult time, we wanted to let residents known as soon as possible to allow them to prepare for the increase. These decisions are not ones we make lightly, and we carefully deliberated this issue to protect our residents on a variety of levels."

The \$.075 increase represents an approximately 3% increase. Average users can likely anticipate the following annual household cost impact from the increase:

Annual incremental increases should be expected to ensure the utilities have adequate funding and to avoid large rate increases, as was experienced in 2018 and 2019. **HELP WANTED** 

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# **AFT Massachusetts calls for** remote start to school this fall

Staff Report

On Friday, the American Federation of Teachers (ATF) Massachusetts Executive Board, made up of elected representatives of the 23,000 AFT members statewide, voted to call for a remote start to school this fall, citing the rising levels of COVID-19 transmission in Massachusetts, lengthy delays in obtaining test results, and the lack of hot water, adequate ventilation, and space for social distancing in school buildings.

"We miss our students terribly, and we all wish we could be back in the classroom with them. But it's become clear in the last few weeks that an in-person return to schools would unacceptably put the health and safety of our students, their families, and educators at risk. Parents, grandparents, and educators – maybe even students - would die,' said AFT Massachusetts President Beth Kontos. "Community transmission of COVID-19 is on the rise again in Massachusetts, and lengthy delays in testing mean we won't know whether a sick student has the common cold or the deadly virus. In the schools AFT Massachusetts represents, especially in Boston and our Gateway Cities, years of chronic underfunding have left us with unsafe school facilities: windows that don't open, bathrooms that lack

hot water and soap, ventilation systems that need upgrading, and nurses that treat sick students in converted closets with no room for social distancing. We've outlined a series of criteria that districts and the state must meet before it is safe for students and educators to return to the classroom. and it's clear that a period of remote learning will be necessary before those criteria are met. Now, we must focus on working with our local school teams to redesign remote learning so that it works for all students."

AFT Massachusetts is the statewide affiliate of the American Federation of Teachers, and represents educators in many of the state's major cities, including Boston, Lawrence, Lowell, Everett and Lynn. In its statement, the union cited the effective reproduction rate of COVID-19 in Massachusetts, which is currently above 1.0, meaning that the virus is spreading, not being contained. According to the COVID Act Now model developed by experts from Georgetown University and Stanford University, 'the total number of active cases in Massachusetts is growing at an unsustainable rate.' On Sunday, the state's positive test rate jumped to 2.65 percent, its highest level since mid-June. AFT Massachusetts outlined several public health

and safety criteria that the

union believes are neces-

sary in order for in-person learning to resume:

• Community transmission of COVID-19 is under control in the region.

• There is a public health infrastructure to support effective disease testing, surveillance, tracing and isolation in schools.

• All staff who are at high risk have access to remote work assignments.

• The district and school have funded safeguards and implemented protocols, including the below essential components:

\*6-foot physical distancing

\*Face coverings provided by schools to all students and staff, from Kindergarten up

\*Adequate personal protective equipment provided to staff

\*Access to hand-washing facilities with consistent 100oF degree water and soap

\*Resources and staffing to clean and sanitize facilities

\*Necessary updates to ventilation and building systems to ensure safe levels of air flow

\*Adequate space for nurses to isolate potentially infected students

\*Paid sick time to ensure that no educator or staff member brings COVID-19 into school

• AFT members and leaders, families and community partners are included in the reopening planning process.

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To all interested persons: **A Petition for Formal** Probate of Will with **Appointment of Personal** Representative has been

tory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: July 21, 2020 Felix D. Arroyo **Register of Probate** 

or holidays, at www. revere.org/calendar. **REVERE LICENSE COM-**MISSION Robert Selevitch, Chairman Linda Guinasso Daniel Occena 8/5/20 **LEGAL NOTICE** Notice is hereby given that Revere Hotel Realty, LLC d/b/a Avid Hotel Boston Logan Airport -Revere, 405 American Legion Highway, Revere, MA, Ketan Patel, LLC Manager, has made application for a Malt/Wine Innholder license, said license to be exercised at the same location. **Requested** seating is 65 on the first floor, with 104 rooms over 5 floors. A hearing on said application is scheduled for August 19, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. In accordance with an Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020 by Governor Baker, the meeting will be held remotely. Remote meeting participation information will be published on the License Commission agenda at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, not including weekends or holidays, at www. revere.org/calendar.

Make: Hyundai Model: Elantra **Color: White** Lic: 8JA672 MA VIN# 1FTPX-14536FA52914 Ref# 5270 Year: 2006 Make: Ford Model: F-150 Color: Blue Lic: N/A

7/22/20, 7/29/20, 8/5/20 LEGAL NOTICE

**Community Action** Programs Intercity, Inc. (CAPIC) **Request for Proposals for HEARTWAP PROGRAM CAPIC** seeks proposals from heating contractors who can provide heating system efficiency modifications. Such modifications may include clean, tune and evaluations, repairs and retrofits, as well as heating system replacements. Asbestos abatement contractors are also needed to remove asbestos from residential heating systems. To request a proposal package contact Giancarlo DeSario at (617) 884-6130 x1125. To be considered for selection all proposal packages must be

received by CAPIC, 100

Everett Avenue, Unit 14,

Chelsea, MA 02150 by 4

PM on Friday, September

#### c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after August 13, 2020 beginning at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers' lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at G/J Towing, Inc. 1. 2003 Ford F-550 VIN 1FDAF57P43EC29139 2. 2010 Honda Accord VIN 1HGCP-2F31AA119632 3. 1997 Honda Civic VIN 2HGEJ6624VH582302 4. 2014 Chevrolet Malibu VIN 1G11H5SL4EF245804 5. 2014 Ford F-150 VIN 1FTFW1EF0EFA94364 Signed, Frank Russo G/J Towing Inc 7/29, 8/5, 8/12 LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300

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Notice is hereby given filed by Sharon A. Gravby G/J Towing Inc of 22 ell of Westborough, MA Whitin Ave Ext Revere, requesting that the Court MA, pursuant to the enter a formal Decree provisions of Mass G.L and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Sharon A. Gravell of Westborough, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration. **IMPORTANT NOTICE** You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/31/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object R to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS **UNIFORM PROBATE CODE** (MUPC) A Personal Representa-

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Rincon Limeno Revere, Inc., 260 Broadway, Revere, MA, Juan D. Jaramillo, Manager, has made application to transfer an All Alcohol **Restaurant license from** China Roma Corp., said license to be exercised at 260 Broadway, Revere, MA. Requested seating is 66, requested hours are Sunday – Saturday 11 a.m. - 12 a.m., and requested entertainment is cable TV, radio, vocal music, and amplifiers. A hearing on said application is scheduled for August 19, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. In accordance with an Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020 by Governor Baker, the meeting will be held remotely. Remote meeting participation information will be published on the License Commission agenda at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, not including weekends or holidays, at www.revere.org/ calendar. **REVERE LICENSE COM-**MISSION Robert Selevitch, Chairman

location. Requested **REVERE LICENSE COM**seating is 12, requested MISSION hours are Sunday -Robert Selevitch, Saturday 11 a.m. - 8:30 Chairman p.m. A hearing on said Linda Guinasso application is scheduled Daniel Occena for August 19, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. In accordance with an Executive Order issued on March 12,

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# US SEN. ED MARKEY VISITS RUMNEY MARSH ACADEMY



US Senator Ed Markey with, Isha Hassan, Rabya Sheikh, Minnah Sheikh, and Fazeela Sheikh.



U.S. Senator Ed Markey, running for re-election addressed the crowd gathered at the Rumney Marsh Academy last Saturday afternoon. He spoke on education, and his plans to upgrade the E Rate Program.

U.S. Sen. Ed Markey visited Rumney Marsh Academy in Revere last Saturday afternoon, where he was greeted by Mayor Brian Arrigo and Ward 5 Councilor John Powers.

This was one of many stops the Senator made during his re-election campaign tour. Markey is in a race with Congressman Joseph Kennedy in the September 1 primary.

Markey is credited with

the E Rate program that gives affordable internet access to schools across the nation, and now it is available to upgrade to homes for those who can't afford it. Home schooling has become a very important matter, due to the Corona Virus. Revere has been the recipient of over \$3.3 million for funding from this program. Markey is applying for an additional \$4 billion for the expanse of this program.



Jenn Goldboots, from the Massachusetts Teachers Assc. and an elementary school educator in Malden, also added her support to Ed Markey for his re-election.



Mayor Arrigo welcomes all to the Rumney Marsh Academy.



Sen. Markey with Mayor Brian Arrigo, Councillor John Powers and some of the staff joining him on his campaign bus tour.









Senator Ed Markey is greeted by Ward 5 Councilor John Powers and Mayor Brian Arrigo.

**RHS** member of the Class of 2021, Minnah Sheikh addressed the gathering at the Rumney marsh Academy. Minnah spoke on her dreams for the future and how important the internet is for students to get a proper education to have equal chances in. the job market.

Joe Gravellese, Revere High speech and debate team class of '06, and Minnah Sheikh, RHS speech and debate team class of '21, pause for a photo at Ed Markey's campaign event at the Rumney Marsh Academy.



Peter Lahey, an Everett High School teacher representing the Massachusetts **Teachers Assc. Spoke on** behalf of Ed Markey and his E Rate Program.

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