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NEWS BRIEFS

PATRIOT SENIOR CLUB TO MEET NOV. 15

The last meeting for this year for the Patriot Senior Club will be Tuesday November 15. There will be a light luncheon along with a "Penny Sale." It should be a fun afternoon, so hope we'll see our members at 12:00 noon on November 15. If you have any questions, please call President Nina DeFreitas at 857-318-2375 or Vice President Marilyn Tobey at 617-846-4249.

SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS RETURN DEC. 4

Music Director Robert Lehmann and the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra will make their annual visit to Revere for the Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" concert and food drive Sunday, December 4, 4 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church. Admission to the concert is free in exchange for a generous donation of non-perishable food to benefit the Revere Food Pantry. This year's concert is jointly sponsored by the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Bocchino Insurance, Comcast, Astound Broadband, and Action Emergency Services.

LOCAL USPS WILL BE CLOSED IN RECOGNITION OF VETERANS DAY

Post offices across the commonwealth will be closed on Friday, November 11, in honor of Veterans Day. There will be no

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From left, Rep. Jay Livingstone, Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Rep. Jeff Turco, Donna Picardi Kelley, Richard Picardi Jr., City Council President Gerry Visconti, Rep. Jessica Giannino, and Sen. Sal DiDomenico shown during the ceremony held for Bobby Picardi at the new plaque in his memory located on Broadway between Walgreens and the Revere Central Fire Station. See more photos on Page 12.

Giannino and Turco re-elected without opposition

By Cary Shuman

State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco were re-elected without opposition in Tuesday's general election.

Both representatives were also unopposed in the Democratic Primary in September.

Both Giannino and Turco represent Revere on Beacon Hill. Giannino also represents a portion of Saugus, while Turco represents all of Winthrop in the 160-member House of Representatives.

Following are their statements following Tuesday's election:

Rep. Jessica Giannino

"I am humbled by the support from the voters in Revere and Saugus. Representing the people of the 16th Suffolk District is a privilege that would not be possible without such an amazing support system that begins with my family and spans across the district.

Our collective efforts on

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PUBLIC SERVANTS of the month

Inspectional Services Administrative staff are November 2022's Public Servants of the Month

Colleen Argenzio, Valerie Moscone, Norma Sandoval, Marcia Mendes, and Linda Redding

Special to the Journal

Inspectional Services is a department in the City of Revere that many take for granted – when you need a permit, want to open a business, or make changes to your property, they're your first stop. Colleen Argenzio, Valerie Moscone, Norma Sandoval, Marcia Mendes and Linda Redding run the daily operations of the Municipal Inspections Department and do so with patience and kindness. Always ready to help at the window or on

the phone, they are the unsung heroes of city operations and make them clear choices for this month's Public Servants of the Month.

What does the Inspectional Services Department do and what do you wish more residents knew about your work?

ARGENZIO: The Inspectional Services Department ensures the general safety, welfare, and wellness of Revere residents and visitors to the community through vari-

ous divisions that oversee and enforce State and City codes for building, health, sanitation, and business management within the city. We want the community to reach out to us, we are here to help answer questions and to assist the community in whatever way we can.

MOSCONE: My position is mainly with the Building Department but both Health Inspections and Building Inspections work closely together as the fines and violations are with both departments.

Assisting with any issue that you can think of will come through this department. Any type of permit and inspection issue from start to finish. Lots of

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Arrigo leads charge in cleaning up long-vacant and overgrown McMackin Little League site

City now owns McMackin Field after years of community outreach and support

Staff Report

Opening in 1952, the McMackin Little League Field has been a staple in the Revere community for more than 60 years, serving as a spot for youth baseball players in Revere to meet and play ball. Named after World War II Veteran Sgt. Charles McMackin, the site honors a Revere veteran and hero, who in April of 2022 was buried in American soil after his remains were found overseas.

Since 2014, Revere Little League has not utilized the site and the field has

since become overgrown and unkept. Mayor Arrigo, community members, Revere City Councilors, and other local elected officials have long been supporters of cleaning up the historic ball field, but due to legal proceedings with the previous owners, the efforts have been largely stalled.

In 2021, the City of Revere issued multiple State Sanitary Code violations against Revere Little League because of the state of the site, and in November of 2021 the City and Revere Little League participated in a public

hearing. Since the hearing, the Revere Department of Municipal Inspections has worked in partnership with the City Solicitor's Office and City lawyers to take over the property. As of November 7, 2022, the City owns the deed and the site will be owned and operated by the City of Revere going forward.

"For years the City has fought to clean up McMackin Field, and it has remained one of my priorities since I've come to office," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "Us owning the site is a huge win for the City of Revere, McMackin's family members, and for those who grew up with memories of playing on that field. We're already getting in there and making long overdue clean-up efforts, and we're excited to begin this next chapter at one of our most historic properties."

See McMACKIN FIELD Page 2

RE-DEDICATION HELD FOR PVT. FRANK ERRICOLO MEMORIAL PARK



Mayor Brian Arrigo, Rep. Jeff Turco, and Rep. Jessica Giannino try out the new slide at Pvt. Frank Erricolo Park during the dedication ceremony held on Monday, November 7. See story and more photos on Page 17.

TRASH DELAY
Due to the Veteran's Day Holiday on Friday, Nov. 11, Trash will be delayed by one day on Friday only. Fri. pickups will be on Sat. Nov. 12. Monday thru Thursday pickups on schedule
Capitol Waste Services, Inc.

Veterans Day City Info & Ceremony
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Housing Coalition receives CHAPA's Community Engagement Award

Affordable housing nonprofit Citizens' Housing and Planning Association (CHAPA) honored Revere advocacy group, Revere Housing Coalition (RHC), with CHAPA's Community Engagement Award at their 55th Annual Dinner on October 13th, recognizing the critical role the group has played in creating more local affordable housing opportunities.

Formed in the winter of 2020 with assistance from the CHAPA's Municipal Engagement Initiative (MEI), RHC has worked to advance affordable housing goals in Revere, including the creation of the city's first Office of Housing Stability and its first Affordable Housing

Trust Fund. They also worked to increase the demographic diversity on the Trust Board. In 2022, their focus was working on the development and adoption of Revere's first Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance.

In her acceptance speech, Claudia Cen noted that, "too many people are being displaced due rent increases while our City has no plan to create affordable housing. It has become impossible to afford to live in Revere", Cen said.

Also accepting the award on behalf of RHC, Lor Holmes stated that a resident-led coalition is crucial to their success. "Accessible, affordable housing should be a hu-



The Revere Housing Coalition.

man right," Holmes said. "We will continue to work to ensure we preserve our diverse and inclusive community by increasing affordable rental and home ownership opportunities in Revere.

CHAPA's Municipal Engagement team, Dana LeWinter, Whitney Demetrius, and Lily Linke, presented the award to RHC. In her remarks, LeWinter

said, "If this is the first time you are hearing about the Revere Housing Coalition, take a good look at this table of fearless advocates and community leaders, because you will all be learning a lot from them in the coming years. I know we have."

Other awardees at CHAPA's Annual Dinner included Outstanding Impact Award winner, Chry-

stal Kornegay, executive director of MassHousing; Emerging Leader Award winner, Etel Haxhijaj, director of public education and advocacy of Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance and Worcester City Councilor; and Policy Leadership Award winners, R Feynman, senior community organizer of the Disability Policy Consortium, and Shaya

French, senior community organizer of Boston Center for Independent Living. Over 1,200 guests gathered at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center to celebrate the affordable housing community's work in 2022 and to honor the awardees.

Learn more about Revere Housing Coalition online at <https://linktr.ee/reverehousingcoalition>

McMackin Field // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

For now, the City's main priority is the clean-up of the overgrown field. There are no official plans for how the City will utilize this property after clean-up, but residents can expect this process to have public input opportunities and chances to weigh in on the future of the project.

"Now that we have officially taken ownership of McMackin, we are excit-

ed that the real work will begin to get the property cleaned up," said Michael Wells, Director of Municipal Inspections. "In the coming weeks, crews will be on site with heavy equipment to remove the vegetation and start demo work on the structures. This is long overdue, and we will also ensure that the property is made safe and secured as we head into the winter months."

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street delivery, except for guaranteed overnight parcels, and all retail operations will be closed for the day. Full retail and delivery operations will resume on Saturday, November 12.

As one of the largest employers of US veterans, nearly 10% of our workforce nationally, the Postal Service is proud to honor the men and women who have selflessly served our country in war and in peacetime and those who continue that tradition today. As the saying goes, "America is the land of the free because of the brave."

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and

services to fund its operations.

OCTOBER REVENUE COLLECTIONS TOTAL \$2.359 B

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Geoffrey Snyder announced that preliminary revenue collections for October totaled \$2.359 billion, \$85 million or 3.5% less than actual collections in October 2021, but \$293 million or 14.2% more than benchmark.[1]

FY2023 year-to-date collections totaled approximately \$11.565 billion, which is \$369 million or 3.3% more than collections in the same period

of FY2022 and \$529 million or 4.8% more than the year-to-date benchmark.

"October collections decreased in non-withholding income tax, corporate and business tax, and 'all other tax' in comparison to October 2021" said Commissioner Snyder. "These decreases were partially offset by increases in withholding and sales and use tax. The decrease in non-withholding is primarily driven by two offsetting factors: an increase in income tax refunds (outflows) related to passthrough entity ("PTE") member credits and a partially offsetting increase in income tax return payments. The decrease in 'all other tax' is primarily attributable to estate tax, a category that tends to fluctuate. The increase in withholding is mostly due to the timing of the receipt of withholding payments: certain payments received in October 2022 were captured in November in 2021. The increase in sales and use tax reflects, in part, continued strength in retail sales."

In general, October is among the lower months for revenue collection, because neither individual nor business taxpayers make significant estimated payments during the month. Historically, roughly 6.5% of annual revenue, on average, has been received during October.

NATGRID OFFERS PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

National Grid is urging customers facing rising winter energy bills to consider company-offered programs that can spread bills across several months and explore payment assistance programs offered by state and federal agencies and regional non-profits.

The effort is part of National Grid's Winter Customer Savings Initiative, which was launched last month to help customers reduce their energy use and save money, manage their bills, and secure available energy assistance.

The initiative brings

together and expands National Grid's many customer resources, including numerous payment assistance programs for income-eligible customers, extensive residential and business energy efficiency programs and incentives, low-cost and no-cost bill management solutions, and flexible payment programs.

One of the bill management programs offered by National Grid includes the Budget Plan. The Budget Plan is designed to take the guesswork out of the monthly billing process. The program takes the amount customers usually pay on their National Grid bills in a year and breaks that amount into twelve balanced monthly payments to help offset high seasonal bills. Customers will still pay only for the total amount of energy they use in a year, but the Budget Plan makes it easier to anticipate monthly energy costs and plan household budgets. For more information customers may view the Even Payments-Making Budgeting Easier brochure.

Along with this, National Grid will refer income-eligible families and customers needing special assistance to meet their energy needs. Programs include but are not limited to:

- The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), also known as the Fuel Assistance Program, helps income-eligible households pay their heating bills with federally funded grants.
 - Discount Rates where qualifying income-eligible customers may receive a discounted rate on electric and gas service, as well as no-cost energy efficiency upgrades.
 - The Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund is available to any Massachusetts residents who, because of temporary financial difficulty, cannot meet a month's energy expense and is not eligible for state or federal energy assistance.
- For more information, customers can visit ngrid.com/heretohelp to learn more.

RevereTV is looking forward to the next seasonal festivities in the city leading up to Thanksgiving. As the Revere High School Football season comes to an end with their latest game vs. Plymouth South, don't forget that RTV will be providing full live coverage of the always anticipated rivalry game vs. Winthrop. The game is at 10am on Thursday, November 24th, and you can turn to any RevereTV outlet. Look out for further promotion of the game on the RTV Instagram. Replays of games from this season are currently airing on the Community Channel.

Revere Recreation's "From Scratch Baking Series" has come to an end, but the RTV staff was thankful to be able to take advantage of all of Jennifer Keefe's creations. This was a baking class put on by Revere Recreation, hosted by Jennifer Keefe in the RevereTV Kitchen Studio. Highlight reels of each class were posted to the RTV Instagram page. The desserts were fall inspired and included pumpkin bread, mini apple pies, whoopie pies, and more! Sign up when the next seasonal series comes around.

Concilio Latino held a Premiere Gala event in Revere last week. This gala was a celebration of community for people of Latin American culture around Revere. You can find RevereTV's coverage on the Community Channel and YouTube. The Community Channel is 8/1072 on Comcast and 3/614 on RCN.

November is Native American Heritage Month. The Human Rights Commission had a special guest, Strong Oak Lefebvre, give a presentation to honor and acknowledge Native American Culture in Massachusetts. She spoke of the meaning of community and inclusivity, how it relates to her culture historically, but also how it is important in all aspects of life for everyone. This meeting aired live on RTV GOV, Facebook, and YouTube, and is now replaying on television.

Other city government meetings in the past week include the Conservation Commission and Commission on Disabilities. There is an Affordable Housing Trust Fund meeting tonight at 6pm, and a Cultural Council Meeting tomorrow at 7pm. The next City Council Meeting is Monday night at 6pm, preceded by the Economic Development Sub-Committee at 5pm. All meetings play live on RTV GOV but are posted to the RevereTV YouTube page in the respective playlists to be viewed at any time.

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O'BRIEN ATTACKS MAYOR'S ALLEGED "TRICKERY"

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Red Cross Drive To Get Under Way Locally Tomorrow

John M. Liset, Chairman of Revere Chapter, In Stirring Plea for Support of National Organization

500 MEMBERS NECESSARY TO INSURE SUCCESS

Memberships for 1934 are sought by the American Red Cross, which extends to every person an invitation to join during the period of Roll Call, November 11 to 30. Through pulpit and press, on the air and by personal contact, the opportunity to share in the work of organized relief will be offered to millions of men and women throughout the country between Armistice day and Thanksgiving.



JOHN M. LISET,

NEW MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION HAS INITIAL ELECTION

Group Organized to Stimulate Local Trade

Over two-score local merchants met last night in the council chambers at Revere city hall to further the organization of the Revere Merchants' Association, under the direction of Colin P. Chisholm, and after the election of officers, plans were made to draw up by-laws to govern the group.

REPORT FILED WITH FINANCE BOARD THURSDAY

The employees of the State Emergency Finance Board, who have been in this city checking up on certain accounts upon which will greatly depend the granting of a loan of \$125,000 by State officials, based upon tax titles, have finished their work here and are expected to file their report today with the Administration officials at the State House.

CITY TREASURER BRANDS CASASSA AS "DECEIVING"

Says Tax Rate Rise Due to "Illegal Expenditure"

CALLS MESSAGE "BLAME DODGING"

Early Tax Payments Urged in Letter to Citizens

In a strong attack on Mayor Andrew A. Casassa in a communication to the citizens of Revere received by the JOURNAL today, City Treasurer James M. O'Brien makes several alarming statements relative to the drawing up of the 1933 tax rate for this city, to the message from Mayor Casassa accompanying the new rate announcement which was printed in this newspaper two weeks ago, and to the alleged practices of the mayor.

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Brilliant Installations Are To Commemorate Armistice Day As Local Veterans Assemble

Speakers Representing Federal, State, Municipal Governments, to Address Ex-Soldiers of Revere in Observances at City Hall Auditorium

SQUARE TO BE REDEDICATED AT BEACHMONT

The Beachmont War Veterans, in their usual energetic manner, have planned on a full day's observance of Armistice tomorrow, starting with a rededication of Donnelly square at 10 a. m., and concluding with a collection and reception of Gold Star Mothers at the Beachmont club-house at midnight, following the dance and installation sponsored by the association at City hall.

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WILL ADDRESS VETS



WILLIAM P. CONNERY, JR., Congressman Representing Seventh District.

LEGION EVENT ARRANGED FOR THIS EVENING

Revere Post 61, American Legion, will hold its annual installation tonight in the City Hall auditorium as part of the post's observance of Armistice, and in connection with the regular Military ball sponsored yearly by the organization.

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Chamber of Commerce Meeting Is Postponed

The meeting of the Revere Chamber of Commerce, scheduled for Tuesday evening in the Council Chamber, City Hall, was cancelled, due to the fact that it was election night and the attendance very small.

REVERE WOMAN'S CLUB PLANS FOR 39TH BIRTHDAY

The Revere Woman's club will celebrate its 39th birthday in the Revere City Hall on Wednesday, November 15, with the annual anniversary and guest night banquet. A reception at 6:30 will be followed by the dinner.

REVEREND E. AMBROSE JENKINS OF THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH HAS EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO ATTEND SERVICES ON ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, AT 10:45 A. M. CLUB MEMBERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND IN A BODY.

Rezoning Petition Feature of Weekly Council Meeting

A lengthy hearing on the petition of Jacob Litman, lessee of certain property located near Wonderland Park and bordering Kirby street, in the interests of a rezoning of the property from residential to a business district, took up the greater part of Monday night's council meeting and brought a large group of citizens in favor and opposed to the change.

BEACHMONT MAN HIT BY TRAIN AT CHELSEA

The body of the man struck by a Boston-bound express train Wednesday afternoon at the Boston & Maine Railroad crossing, Eastern avenue, Chelsea, was identified at the North-ern Mortuary as that of Peter LeClair, 57, married, of 212 Bellingham avenue, Beachmont.

Kiwanians Hold Ladies' Night, Plan Charity Show

A large throng attended the "Ladies' Night" held by the Revere Kiwanis club at the Winthrop Arms hotel, Winthrop, Wednesday night.

NARROW GAUGE FILES REPORT OF STANDING

The Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad reported to the department of public utilities a net profit for the September quarter of \$22,239, against \$18,133 a year ago.

Plans are now being made for the huge Kiwanis Club Child Benefit Show to be held at the Boulevard and Revere theatres Friday and Saturday November 24 and 25, proceeds of which will be devoted to providing funds for the purchase of shoes for underprivileged Revere children.

LOCAL SCHOOLS WILL MEET ON GRID AT LAST

School Game Here Is In Need of Much Support

The long discussed and much deferred announcement of the Revere High school and Immaculate Conception high school football game came Sunday morning at the masses in the Immaculate Conception church.

VISITING NURSE FOOD DRIVE IS SPONSORED

Again the Revere Visiting Nurse association is making its annual plea for food in cans and cartons in a drive throughout the public schools of the city.

CHARITY GROUP ASKS OVERCOAT DONATIONS

The Revere Visiting Nurse association this week is asking for donations of overcoats in good condition. The recent cold spell has proven an additional hardship for many of the unfortunate and needy and numerous requests for heavy outer clothing have been received.

WOMEN'S ANGLE OF NRA SHOWN BY MRS. JANVRIN

There is every indication that the great masses of the women of the United States are standing loyally behind the Government's drive to end unemployment and the depression, said Mrs. Robert D. Janvrin, Lieutenant General of the Revere N. R. A. Organization.

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REMEMBER TO THANK OUR VETERANS

This Friday, November 11, marks the national holiday of Veterans Day, a day marked by solemnity and reverence to honor those who have served in our nation's military.

Veteran's Day initially was known as Armistice Day when it was enacted in 1919 in observance of the end of World War I (which at that time was known as The Great War) on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.

A new film on Netflix, All Quiet on the Western Front, a remake of the classic 1930s film based on the book of the same name, graphically depicts the futility of that conflict in which the front lines of the opposing sides became entrenched (literally) from the start of the war to the end.

The only thing that changed during the course of the conflict that began in 1914 was the number of deaths that grew with each passing year of the war. Eventually, 10 million soldiers and another 10 million civilians perished in a war that was fought for nothing and achieved nothing.

The most notable aspect of the carnage of the so-called "war to end all wars," from the perspective of history, is that it laid the groundwork for WWII just 20 years later by imposing such onerous terms upon the defeated Germans that it provided fertile ground for the rise of Adolf Hitler.

Hitler invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, and the world again became enmeshed in a global conflagration that made the first world war seem like a mere practice run for the mass annihilation that took place from 1939-45.

Even after that epic second world war, America has been involved in countless bloody conflicts in the 77 years since General Douglas MacArthur accepted the Japanese surrender on the Battleship USS Missouri and millions of our fellow Americans have fought in our nation's numerous wars and military engagements since then.

Unfortunately, "Peace is at hand" has been nothing but a meaningless slogan for most of the past 103 years.

Armistice Day officially became known as Veterans Day in 1954 so as to include those who served in WWII and the Korean War. All of our many veterans since then also have become part of the annual observance to express our nation's appreciation to the men and women who bravely have answered the call of duty to ensure that the freedoms we enjoy as Americans have been preserved against the many challenges we have overcome.

Although Veterans Day, as with all of our other national holidays, unfortunately has become commercialized, we urge our readers to take a moment, even if just quietly by ourselves, to contemplate the debt we owe to the veterans of all of our wars and to be grateful to them for allowing us to live freely in the greatest nation on earth.

If nothing else, Veterans Day should remind us that freedom isn't free and that maintaining our freedom since our nation's founding has required the personal sacrifice of the millions of our fellow Americans who have placed their lives on the line to preserve our ideals and our way of life.

WAY TO GEAUX, BRIAN KELLY!

We just wanted to drop a note to offer our congratulations to Everett native and former Chelsea resident Brian Kelly, the new football coach at Louisiana State University, for the gutsy call he made in overtime to defeat Alabama Saturday evening in one of the most exciting college football games in many years.

Alabama scored a touchdown and kicked the extra point to start the overtime period, but LSU responded immediately with a touchdown of its own.

But rather than kick the extra point and continue into another overtime, Kelly decided to have his team go for the two-point conversion -- a win-it-or-lose-it proposition.

LSU made the conversion, thus defeating mighty Alabama for LSU's first home victory against the Crimson Tide since 2010 and possibly setting up LSU for a shot at qualifying for the national championship, despite a slow start to their season, if they can win their remaining games.

Brian Kelly was well-known in Chelsea as a youth. His father served on the Board of Aldermen and Brian and his siblings attended the local elementary schools and played in Little League. He graduated from St. John's Prep in Danvers and then played football at Assumption College before embarking on a coaching career of almost 40 years that took him from small college programs in the midwest to Cincinnati, Notre Dame, and now LSU.

We know we'll be joining with college football fans throughout the Greater Boston area who will be cheering on the Tigers because of our local coaching connection.

Geaux Tigers!

The Revere Journal reserves the right to edit letters for space and clarity. We regret that we cannot publish unsigned letters. Please include your street and telephone number with your submission. The Revere Journal publishes columns, viewpoints and letters to the editor as a forum for readers to express their opinions and to encourage debate. Please note that the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of The Revere Journal. Text or attachments emailed to editor@reverejournal.com are preferred.



LETTER to the Editor

DID YOU VOTE FOR THIS?

Dear Editor,

The July 25, 2022 ScarpTec Engineering Report, (Appendix J – Rock Engineering Design and Recommendations for the Northeast Metro Regional Vocational Technical High School Project), tells us that students, faculty and visitors will be looking at and contending with a 365' long, 35' high sloped rock cliff along the back of the new proposed school.

At the base, will be a 12 foot wide ditch in front of the cliff that is supposed to catch all the falling rocks and ice, and protect the roadway. Site Access Restrictions & Safety Protocols recommend Security Fences and Signage so people are warned about fall hazards and excluded from the slope and crest areas.

To accomplish this, it will be part of the long-term blasting plan and is only part of the \$40 million dollars that the Northeast Building Committee approved to destroy the forest and make way for the new school. When asked regarding the blasting, Michael Mallet from the Gilbane Building Company, informed us that the blasting will take about 6 months to clear the area. I later asked Mr. Mallet, just as he was preparing to leave, What about the destruction of

the forest and his response was "I do not get involved with the politics of a project, I am hired to build a building and told were to build it."

In the report, Scartec Engineering states "that they do not rule out the possibility that falling rocks could continue even after construction." Vehicles should not be parked up against the slope or directly adjacent to the proposed catchment ditch. This is directly where the roadway will be located for student bus travel and used as an exit from the school.

All of this destruction could be avoided and millions of dollars could be saved if the new Vocational school were built on one of the other two buildings sites available – C-2 where the existing football and baseball field's are located now. Both are in desperate need of a facelift due to lack of regular maintenance.

This is not what the taxpayers of Wakefield and the other communities in the district expected, when they voted in January for funding a new Northeast Metro Tech School. It is time to tell them again to change the school location and Save the Forest, that was the original plan 1934 when the property was transferred to the MDC in 1934 and was intended to be preserved for future

generations. In 1965 when this section of Breakheart Reservation property was sold to the Northeast Vocational School, times were different and part of the land parcel was developed to make way for the new school. Times have changed, and the need to Save rather than Destroy a forest are greater now than they have ever been in the history of this town, this country, and the world.

As an added note in case the Northeast Building Committee forgot to mention: a recent measurement of the trees in a one acre area that are 5" or greater in diameter including Pine, Hickory and Mature Oaks was 170 trees. With at least 12 acres being destroyed the total comes out to well over 2,000 trees that will gone forever.

Bob Brooks

SPIRITUAL INFLUENCER

Dear Editor,

Church leaders are not the only ones. Anyone who is God-fearing can be a spiritual influencer. Jesus told us to be salt and light. Salt, a preservative, delays decay. We must preserve what is good and morally right, and reject what is corrupt and morally wrong. Light illuminates and sheds darkness. We must expose evil that often hides behind seemingly benign pretenses. It

disguises itself in re-defined words and beliefs to make plausible what once was considered absurd.

Shedding light upon the practices of abortion for example has exposed the reality of this horrific business. This horror is compounded by live fully formed aborted babies dissected for their tissues and organs for money! Much occurs behind clinic doors and Universities like San Francisco University where Medical students are taught to perform these horrific procedures under the guise of "reproductive care." What happened to training doctors to save lives? Crisis Pregnancy Centers are attacked for helping moms while Planned Parenthood get millions of tax dollars to continue their holocaust.

The knowledge of God and His Truth through His Word directs the human heart. Many lacking this knowledge become easy pawns for evil ideologies especially if money, power and convenience are at stake. Evil gets worst unchecked. We now have children being sexualized and mutilated for the sake of gender ideology.

Spiritual influencers need to stand and speak the truth in love against the evil that is smothering our culture before more innocent victims fall prey

Lucia Hunter

GUEST OP-ED

It's never out of season to say thank you

somehow positively impacting your life.

Teaching our kids to say thank you and to say it often is well worth our time for us and them.

Here are some thank you notes from Reader's Digest, RD.com June 2022

About 15 years ago, we purchased a dining set from an older couple after seeing their ad. When we went to pick it up, it was apparent to me that the lady was having a hard time seeing it go, although it hadn't been used for many years. On Thanksgiving, I set the table, took a picture, and sent it to her, saying we were thankful to be enjoying the beautiful set. She sent a note back that read, it looks like it was meant to be. It really has helped me, seeing it happy. Thank you from my heart. —Diane Ensich, Mansfield, Texas

As a volunteer, I recorded several audiobooks for the blind. I received a

braille card that said thanks for my work. Fortunately,

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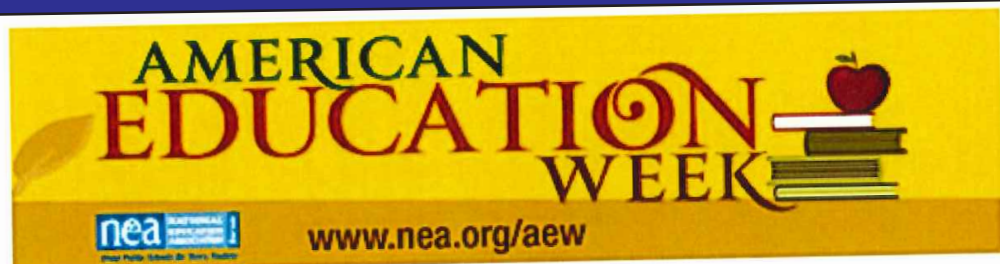
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Dear Revere Community Members,

Revere Public Schools will be celebrating American Education Week (AEW), taking place from November 14th to 18th, 2022. American Education Week is a great time to honor our students' daily work and accomplishments. It also serves as a time when we can recognize the dedication, expertise, and guidance that our students receive from our incredible teachers, administrators, and all RPS staff members.

I believe that the efforts of our staff have made the Revere Public Schools shine. Embracing our 4 R's—Rigor, Relevance, Relationships and Resilience—our educators have continued to create and facilitate innovative learning experiences for our students, who have consistently achieved at the highest levels of urban schools throughout the state. I am confident that our continued dedication and collaboration will help us move further along this path of student success.

Our greatest allies in this work, particularly in terms of closing achievement gaps, are our family and community members who work alongside us. Together, we have embraced our 4R's concept in order to comprehensively support our students with their learning. As we increase the number of caregivers and local leaders collaborating with our district, we increase student achievement.

We invite school visits in celebration of American Education Week so that all community members can see our schools in action. Every school will be offering specialized programs and demonstrations specifically designed for AEW visitors. In addition to visiting classrooms and teachers during AEW, we remind parents that we have designated certain afternoons and evenings in November and December for individual conferences regarding your child's academic and social-emotional progress.

Individual visitation schedules for each school, prepared by the principals and teachers, will make it possible for you to visit without interrupting or altering the daily classroom procedure. The schedule for classroom visitations is attached to this letter. We hope that you will be able to join us.

Yours very truly,

Dianne K. Kelly
Dianne K. Kelly, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Danielle Mokaba-Bernardo
Danielle Mokaba-Bernardo, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

Lourenço Garcia
Lourenço Garcia, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Equity and Inclusion

Richard Gallucci
Richard Gallucci, Ph.D.
Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Pupil and Personnel Services

Schedule for American Education Week VISITATIONS

BEACHMONT VETERANS MEMORIAL SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 9:00 am to 11:00 am Grades EC-5	HILL SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 9:00 am to 11:00 am Grades K-5	PAUL REVERE INNOVATION SCHOOL Thursday November 17 8:45 am to 10:45 am Grades K-5	GARFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 9:00 am to 11:00 am Middle School	SUSAN B. ANTHONY SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 9:00 am to 10:45 am Middle School	CITYLAB SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 8:30 am to 10:30 am Grades 9-12
GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Friday November 18 9:00 am to 11:00 am Grades EC-5	LINCOLN SCHOOL Thursday November 17 9:00 am to 10:45 am Grades EC-5	WHELAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Wednesday November 16 8:45 am to 10:45 am Grades K-5	RUMNEY MARSH ACADEMY Wednesday November 16 9:00 am to 10:45 am Middle School	REVERE HIGH SCHOOL Tuesday November 15 8:15 am to 11:00 am Grades 9-12	

Upcoming Parent Conferences

School	Date	Time
Beachmont Elementary	December 7th	12:30 – 3:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Garfield Elementary	December 7th	12:30 – 3:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Hill Elementary	December 7th	12:30 – 3:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Lincoln Elementary	December 7th	12:30 – 3:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Paul Revere Innovation School	December 7th	12:30 – 2:45pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Whelan Elementary	December 7th	12:30 – 3:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Garfield Middle	November 9th	11:30 – 2:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Rumney Marsh Middle	November 9th	11:30 – 2:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Susan B. Anthony Middle	November 9th	11:30 – 2:00pm 5:00 – 7:00pm
Revere High School	November 16th	5:00 – 7:00pm
Citylab High School	December 16th	5:00 – 7:00pm

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- Mayor Brian Arrigo, Chair**
Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo, Vice Chair
Susan Gravellese, Secretary
Michael Ferrante
John Kingston
Aisha Milbury-Ellis
Carol A. Tye

VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED


Mayor Brian M. Arrigo and the City of Revere with the Department of Veterans Services invite you to join us for Veterans day exercises

WITH SPECIAL MEMORIAL HONORS FOR **US ARMY AIR FORCE STAFF SGT. CHARLES G. MCMACKIN** **FRIDAY, NOV. 11, 2022 11:11 A.M.**

AT 249 BROADWAY (The American Legion Lawn)

A Luncheon will follow at the VFW Mottolo Post 61 Lucia Ave, Revere MA
Please call the Veterans' Office at (781) 286- 8119 if you have any questions.

Never Forget the sacrifices they made



BRIAN ARRIGO
MAYOR OF REVERE

REVERE VETERANS' COMMITTEE AND THE CITY OF REVERE
VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONIES & DINNER DANCE

FRIDAY, NOV. 11, 2022
JOSEPH L. MOTTOLA VFW POST #4524
61 LUCIA AVE. REVERE, MA

CEREMONY AT 5:00 PM
MEAL SERVED AT 6:15 PM
PRE-EVENT TICKETS SALES FOR DINNER: \$20.00 PER PERSON

CHINESE BUFFET AND DANCING TO DJ ALAN LABELLA
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM AL TERMINIELLO, JR., MARC SILVESTRI OR IRA NOVOSELSKY
ALL VETERANS, CITIZENS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

All gave some, while some gave all
Thank You Veterans



Carol Tye
School Committee

"Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices." — Harry S. Truman



John Kingston
School Committee

Without their sacrifice, we would have nothing...
Never forget



Anthony Caggiano
Northeast Regional Vocational High School School Committee

Thank You to Gill, Bobby, James and Walter McKenna and all the Veterans who have served this Great Country.



Joanne McKenna
Ward 1 Councillor

Remember today and every day those who have sacrificed for all of us



MARC SILVESTRI
DIRECTOR OF REVERE VETERAN SERVICES
COUNCILOR-AT-LARGE

Remembering those who gave everything...
Thank You Veterans



Michael Ferrante
School Committee

Thank You to every man and woman who has served




Anthony T. Zambuto
Councillor-at-Large



In memory of many in honor of all... Thank you
Council President + Councillor-at-Large
Gerry Visconti & Family

Thank You for All You've Sacrificed



IRA NOVOSELSKY
City Councillor—Ward 2

STEVE MORABITO
COUNCILLOR-AT-LARGE

We are forever grateful for your service.



Thank You for Your Service



State Representative
Jeffrey R. Turco & Family

Today we remember and honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice



Lydia Edwards
STATE SENATOR

OUR FALLEN VETERANS

THE FOLLOWING LIST IDENTIFIES AND REMEMBERS THOSE VETERANS FROM REVERE WHO WERE LOST IN THE FIGHT OVERSEAS.

World War I

Max Achenbach
William Batstone
John Breen
Charles N.E. Brown
John R. Butler
William J. Butler
Euplio Cerrone
Joseph W. Chamberlain
Pasquale Colangelo
Douglas C. Cummings
Joseph DiTalia
Frank P. DiPesa
Richard D. Donnelly
Francis J. Driscoll
Frank Erricolo
Lawrence J. Flaherty
John F. Fitzpatrick
Charles N. Fredericks
William H. Hartley
Raymond Lawrence
Carl W. Mabie
Samuel P. Mahoney
Richard R. Marshall
John Pesa
Louis Sandler
Samuel Sandler
Patrick Santa Maria
Albert W. Smith
James T. Sweeney
William Ungvarsky
Earl B. Welch
World War II
Warren E. Allen
William E. Allen
Frank J. Alvino
Salvatore J. Bagnulo
Frederick C. Baldwin
Joseph Bader
Michael Begley
Edward Bloom
Phillip F. Boyd

World War II

William S. Boyd
James L. Brandano
Italo J. Breda
Leroy E. Brown
Robert P. Brown
Milton Bubis
Francis Burns
Richard J. Chouinard
Loftus L. Christianson
Alfred J. Conley
John A. Conley

Adolph F. Cormier
Eugene Coscia
Wilfred F. Cote
Robert E. Cotter
Salvatore Crivello
Paul W. Cronin
William J. Crough
Robert Cummings
Robert P. Cuzzo
Fred E. Deacon
Victor D. DeGuglielmo
James V. DeMarco
Thomas DeSisto
Albert DeStoop
Antonio DiGregorio
Augustine A. DiPietro
Dante DiPrizio
Arthur DiStasio
Peter DiStasio
Daniel F. Doris
Charles D. Dugan
George A. Elwell
John Famiglietti
Robert Fecitt
Samuel Feldman
Christopher Ferragamo
Charles J. Fietz
John V. Fitzgerald
John H. Foley
Francis J. Foye
Nicholas Frammartino
Hallet H. Fraser, Jr.
Edward H. Friedman
Harry J. Garrity
Harold Gay
Edward Z. Gelman
Robert Gladstone
Samuel H. Gordon
Joseph Gorfinkle
Julius Greenberg
John F. Hannigan
Joseph H. Harrington
Kenneth G. Harrington
David P. Hartigan, Jr.
Herbert S. Hill, Jr.
James J. Hill
George Horblitt
Joshua R. Howard
Maurice W. Hudlin
John E. Hurley
William A. Janvrin, Jr.
Charles F. Jensen
Joseph H. Joyce, Jr.
John D. Kane
Isadore Kaplan
Harold E. Kendall

Hubert H. King
Alfred Kniznick
Elwin Knowles
John E. Knox
Carroll Kummerer
Thomas F. Landry
Stephen M. Langone
Simon Lee
John J. Lehmann
Raymond Lepore
Herbert Levine
Douglas J. MacDonald
Andrew J. Mantine
Paul S. Maslowski
John W. Mastrachi
John W. Mastromarino
John N. Mayor, Jr.
Thomas J. McCarthy
Charles F. McClusky
Robert F. McDonald
Charles G. McMackin
Joseph E. Messina
John H. Minichino
Irving Mintz
Seymour A. Molin
Frank A. Molino
Domenic D. Morra
Joseph L. Mottolo
Joseph O'Brien
Christopher Paragone
Edward J. Parsons
Kenneth J. Patenaude
Lugo Pennachio
Francis N. Petro
William Pidgeon
James F. Quinlan
Fred L. Raymond
Carmine M. Reppucci
Alfred S. Romeo
Harold Rosenbaum
Melvin E. Rosenberg
Samuel N. Rubinovitz
Armando Ruggiero
Alexander A. Russo
Anthony G. Sarno
Salvatore P. Scaffidi
John A. Sciaraffa
Thomas F. Shaughnessy
Gerald P. Shaughnessy
Irving B. Sherman
George H. Singer
Kenneth G. Snow
Peter Stamulis
Edward Steinman
Robert Struthers
George C. Sullivan

Gerald Swerling
Carl M. Thomajan
Sidney Toressen
Raymond R. Venezia
Thomas Von Holzhausen
Israel Weinberg
Woodrow W. Wilkins
V. Howard Woodell
Harry Zassman
Milton L. Zelmeyer

Korean War

Shirley B. Andrews
Hugo F. Carozza
Frank H. Carideo
Gerald Chieppo
Joseph Concannon
Bernard A. Kinnally
Bernard Kniznick
Robert S. Mauro
William A. Shiverree
Walter Smart

Vietnam War

Kenneth G. Brown
Robert L. Blais
James L. Delmont
Sebastian E. DeLuca
Martin L. Gillespie, Jr.
John M. Glasser
Arthur R. LeGrow, Jr.
Alan J. O'Brien, Jr.
Walter S. Olinsky, Jr.
Stephen J. Penta
Thomas W. Whitten
Robert Karl Lavigne

Gulf War

Daniel F. Cunningham
(Army)
Lawrence Salamone
(Navy)
Matthew J. Stanley
(Army)
Nelson D. Rodriguez

OIF/OEF - 6/4 CAV:

Jared Gleeve
Jared C. Monti
Ryan King
Glenn M. Sewall

STATE REP. JESSICA GIANNINO HOSTED A "GET OUT THE VOTE" BREAKFAST AT DEMAINO'S

Photos by Cary Shuman

Giannino, former Boston City Councillor Andrea Campbell lauded GianninoR as "a fierce advocate" for the people of her district and residents across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Following a very productive first term in office, Giannino was re-elected state representative without opposition in Tuesday's election.

With the expert assistance of her campaign manager, her grandmother Joann Giannino, Jessica won re-election to the City Council in biennial, ticket-topping fashion before being elected state representative for the Revere-Chelsea-Saugus district in 2020, succeeding RoseLee Vincent.

In her introduction of



State Rep. Jessica Giannino and her grandmother, Joann Giannino, welcome Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll to the breakfast.



Rep. Giannino and her former colleague on the Revere City Council, Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto.



Rep. Paul Tucker, former Speaker of the House Robert A. DeLeo, former State Representative RoseLee Vincent, Rep. Jessica Giannino, former State Representative Kathi Reinstein, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, and William Berardino of the Boston Carmen's Union.



Joann Giannino and Virginia Hurley.



Saber Abougalala, owner of the Good Diner on Broadway, and Rep. Jessica Giannino.



Revere Police Officer Robert Impemba and Rep. Jessica Giannino.



Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, Ward 5 Councillor John Powers, Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro, Councillor-at-Large Steven Morabito, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, and Saugus Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Debra Panetta.



Rep. Jessica Giannino thanks Lenny DeMaino's for the hospitality of the DeMaino's staff at the breakfast.



Rep. Paul Tucker, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, Andrea Campbell, Rep. Jessica Giannino, Rep. Dan Ryan, and Everett School Committee member Mike McLaughlin.



Revere Police Sgt. Chris Giannino, Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden, Joann Giannino, Andrea Campbell, and Rep. Jessica Giannino.



Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden, Andrea Campbell, Rep. Jessica Giannino, and former Speaker of the House Robert A. DeLeo.



Rep. Jessica Giannino, with her aunt, Marie Giannino Patterson, father, Chris Giannino, and grandmother, Joann Giannino.

Conservation Commission holds monthly meeting

By Journal Staff

The Revere Conservation Commission held a brief meeting last Wednesday, November 2, in the City Council Chamber. Chairman John Shue and fellow commissioners Joseph LaValle, Robert Cassidy, and Brian Averback were on hand for the meeting.

The session lasted for less than 15 minutes and addressed two matters that had been left open since last fall. One was resolved, but the other will have to wait until the spring of 2023 to be concluded.

The first was a request for a Certificate of Compliance (COC) from the homeowners at 630 Revere Beach Boulevard re-

garding a grading project in their backyard which they initially undertook without having sought permission from the Conservation Commission.

The owners' project came to the attention of the commission when they dug out a portion of their backyard last fall in order to slope the property away from their home to prevent the flooding of their garage and basement during heavy rainstorms.

However, because their property is within the buffer zone of the marshland between Revere Beach Blvd. and No. Shore Rd., which is part of the Rumney Marsh ecosystem, they needed approval from the ConsComm for the work they wanted to

do. The commission had required the homeowners to restore the marshland area they had disturbed with appropriate vegetation. The owners agreed to do the work, which included hiring a wetlands scientist, with the commission allowing the usual six months for a reinspection.

Shue informed his fellow commissioners that he had inspected the property in August and had met with the project's environmental consultant, and that all of the required work had been completed. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the COC.

The board then addressed the pending enforcement action, which

stemmed from the bulldozing of dirt from the backyard into the wetlands area. Shue told the commission that the owners had removed the dirt and planted vegetation over the disturbed area.

"They completed everything they were supposed to have done and the property has been returned to compliance pursuant to the state Wetlands Protection Act and the local ordinances," said Shue, who then recommended that the commission withdraw the enforcement action.

The commissioners voted unanimously to do so.

However, with regard to a similar situation at 10 Marshview Terrace, where a homeowner had started to regrade his prop-

erty (using unsuitable fill material), which slopes toward Rumney Marsh, the commission was unable to close out that file.

Shue told his fellow commissioners that some of the vegetation that had been planted by the homeowners had failed to take root, requiring the commission to revisit the matter in the spring. He also noted that the homeowners still were removing some of the "rubble" that they had brought in for their regrading project.

Shue also brought up a couple of possible future enforcement actions pertaining to homeowners on Arcadia St. who reportedly have paved their driveways. Those matters will be addressed at a later

meeting if necessary.

That led to a discussion initiated by Averback about the mechanism for enforcing violations of the local ordinances. Although the state can impose fines of up to \$25,000 for violations of the Wetlands Protection Act, there is no direct procedure in the city ordinances for assessing fines at the local level.

Shue said the matter is being taken under advisement by the City Solicitor, who will be making a report and recommendation to the commission.

The commission then adjourned until its December meeting.

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Beacon Hill have brought results back home. But our work is not done. In fact, in many ways, it's just getting started.

These are exciting and historic times in Massachusetts. In January, we will have a new governor and legislature and for the first time ever, women will hold every constitutional office in the Commonwealth. I cannot wait to work alongside the new administration and my colleagues at the State House as we continue making history.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you."

Rep. Jeff Turco

"I want to thank the people of Winthrop and Revere for once again giving me the honor of representing them in the



Rep. Jessica Giannino and her grandmother, Joann Giannino, are pictured after voting at the Whelan School Gymnasium in Tuesday's election.

Massachusetts House. It is an honor of a lifetime. I want to thank my wife, Melissa and my children, for their love, support and sacrifices that they give me every day as I work to advocate for and represent the people of the 19th Suffolk District."

Sen. Lydia Edwards is re-elected

Sen. Lydia Edwards, who represents Revere in the First Suffolk and Middlesex District in the Mass. State Senate, was also re-elected without opposition in Tuesday's election.



Mayor Brian Arrigo is pictured with Reps. Jeff Turco and Jessica Giannino, who were re-elected Tuesday to their positions in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

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the sender also enclosed a reading chart for the braille words. It took me 90 minutes to figure out what the card said. It reminded me of how blessed I am and how much I can keep giving. —Yen Chou, Taipei, Taiwan

My coworker sent me this heartwarming e-mail after I was laid off: Thank you for giving me a chance way back when. This position got me off state assistance, paid for my car, and has blessed me and my son in so many ways. You have been an amazing mentor and friend, Mike. The best! I've learned so much and not just about pest control. To speak up for myself. To be less emotional when things go wrong. To have patience with myself and others. Thank you for being so incredibly patient with me and my thousands of questions and mistakes! It has helped my confidence in so many ways. Thank you! Thank you! It was hum-

bling for me to know that I had that kind of impact on someone's life by just being myself, doing my job. —Michael Shearing, Port Angeles, Washington.

After I had worked as a mail carrier for 30 years, it was time to retire. I put a note in each of my 436 customers' mailboxes, thanking them for allowing me to serve them over the years. I never expected that on my last day so many would hang balloons on the boxes and put out so many beautiful thank-yous. I hope I delivered all the mail properly that day, as there were tears of gratitude filling my eyes. —Kay Scott, Bucyrus, Ohio

I was gram's favorite, and she was mine. She passed away in September 2016, at 100½—she always said you earned the "half" when you got to be her age. To my surprise, I received a card in the mail that my sweet grandma had tucked away

for my aunt to send after she passed. It read, Melissa, thank you for all the nice things you did for me. Remember, this is the year you'll meet your man. Be cool and play it safe. Don't screw it up. Be careful. I'll be watching you. All my love, Gram.—Melissa Wegman, Cincinnati, Ohio

You can find these and other thank you notes on RD.com Reader's Digest, June 3, 2022

Thanksgiving season is here. Let's all aim for a lifestyle of saying thank you.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist — American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

Groups sue EPA for failure to fully protect Boston rivers

Staff Report

Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) and Charles River Watershed Association (CRWA) have filed a lawsuit against the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for failing to take necessary actions to protect three Boston-area rivers from polluted runoff. Though EPA recently acknowledged the damage caused by stormwater pollution from nearby properties, the agency has not issued the permits needed to protect the Charles, Mystic, and Neponset Rivers.

"These iconic rivers are suffering because of the EPA's consistent foot-dragging," said Heather Govern, CLF's Vice President of Clean Air and Water. "Despite all the evidence linking stormwater pollution to dirty and unsafe water, the agency has failed to take legally required steps to address this growing problem. We have waited over three years for them to regulate the pollution, and these rivers cannot wait any longer."

Stormwater runoff from private properties with large areas of paved surfaces, like big box stores, strip malls, private universities, and major apartment complexes, was not previously regulated by EPA.

These properties contribute a disproportionate amount of polluted runoff to nearby rivers. CLF and CRWA petitioned the EPA to regulate the aforementioned properties along the Charles, Mystic, and Neponset Rivers in 2019 and 2020.

In response to our petitions, EPA announced on September 14, 2022, that certain polluters in the three watersheds will be required to comply with a Clean Water Act permit to reduce stormwater runoff. But EPA has not yet issued the permits that will actually reduce stormwater pollution, which is why CLF and CRWA are taking EPA to court.

"The EPA must move quickly. Stormwater runoff is increasing as rainfall

gets heavier with climate change, adding more pollution to our rivers," said Emily Norton, CRWA's Executive Director. "The Charles River is clearly suffering, as CRWA's monitoring of toxic algal blooms and water quality shows."

Over several years, EPA's failure to regulate these polluters has resulted in ever-increasing toxic algae blooms on all three rivers in the warmer months, which make people and pets sick, and put activities like boating and kayaking at risk - limiting public use of the river and harming the outdoor recreation economy. The blooms also degrade water quality and harm the wildlife that calls the rivers home.

Patriot Senior Club

Our last meeting for this year will be Tuesday November 15. We will have a light luncheon along with a "Penny Sale." It should be a fun afternoon, so hope we'll see our members at 12:00 noon on November 15. If you have any questions, please call President Nina DeFreitas at 857-318-2375 or Vice President Marilyn Tobey at 617-846-4249.

City of Revere

10TH ANNUAL PRISCILLA NICKERSON MEMORIAL Santa Walk

DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE PRISCILLA NICKERSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND



\$20 CHILDREN AND SENIORS ARE FREE

Please join Mayor Brian Arrigo as we travel down Broadway to the City of Revere's Annual Tree Lighting in honor of Priscilla Nickerson.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 2022

Meet at Revere High School at 12:00 PM for a 12:30 PM departure.

Donate!



Venmo: @CityofRevere

REGISTER ONLINE NOW AT WWW.REVERE.ORG/SANTAWALK

Register!



HONORING AND REMEMBERING REVERE'S BOBBY PICARDI

Photos By Cary Shuman

to help others in need of assistance and for his political savviness and keen advice during campaigns.

"Today would have been Bobby's 50th birthday," said Rep. Jessica Giannino. "When we were planning this with the family, I thought it was so fitting, not only to celebrate his memory and his life and his legacy in the City of Revere on his 50th birthday, but during election season. We all know this was Bobby's favorite time of year. "The people who are here today are a testament to his legacy, to what Bobby brought to the City of Revere. He did so much for so many people. I think this is just an appropriate way to remember his life, his legacy, his love for the City of Revere. From the bottom of my heart, thank you, Bobby, for everything you've done for me."

Mayor Brian Arrigo described Bobby Picardi as "somebody who truly was a legend in the City of Revere."

"Bobby truly had his finger on the pulse on the city," said Arrigo. "He knew things that I thought I only knew. He was just such a special person."

Arrigo was impressed with the depth of Bobby's concern for others. "Bobby deeply cared about people. Every time he reached out to me it was on behalf of another person. It wasn't for him. It was always for somebody who needed a little bit of help. Before 311, he was the best 311 that the city



Rep. Jessica Giannino.



Rep. Jeff Turco.



City Council President Gerry Visconti.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico.

could have. He was the best constituent services person, the best mayor's aide. He was the best political consultant. But most importantly, he was the best friend that somebody could have," said Arrigo.

Rep. Jeff Turco remembered Bobby's wonderful sense of humor. "I knew Bobby since junior high school. Some of those funny moments we shared reflected to me his personality of caring and humor," said Turco. "He was a true champion and a true gentleman of Revere. The thing I remember most

about him was his loyalty to dad, something that I grew up with as we commiserated about our upbringing in Revere."

City Council President Gerry Visconti said the tribute to Bobby Picardi was "well-deserved for Revere's favorite son."

"It's nice to see that so many people are here for a person that did so much for so many people," said Visconti. "I'm honored to be here. I couldn't think of a better person that deserves this memorial tribute."

Sen. Sal DiDomenico recalled that Bobby Picardi

was instrumental in his first campaign for the state senate. "I wouldn't be standing here as state senator without Bobby Picardi's help. I won by one percent in 2010, and I always told Bobby that was the one percent. He got me elected, there's no question about that. My family loves Bobby. He wanted to help people."

Rep. Jay Livingstone told the gathering, "I just miss Bobby. I miss talking to him. When you talked about politics, he was always very insightful. He was always very helpful. He was always very

cheerful. Everyone's right whenever he called you, it was always for someone else. He was impressive in a lot of different ways. He dedicated his entire life to helping his community. You don't meet people like that very often. He was unique in that way."

Donna Picardi Kelley, Bobby's older sister, concluded the ceremony with her remarks on behalf of the Picardi family. "He would be mortified knowing right now that this was going on, because Bobby was behind the scenes in every single thing that he ever did," said Donna. "This is an honor in his remembrance that he definitely loved this city. Bobby loved Revere and every single person. He did everything for anybody that he possibly could. I can't thank everyone enough for coming here and remembering him. He was a very special person. Thank you."



Mayor Brian Arrigo speaks at the ceremony.



Rep. Jay Livingstone speaks at the ceremony.



The memorial stone honoring the life of Robert "Bobby" Picardi.



Rep. Jessica Giannino and her grandmother, JoAnn Giannino, who were close friends of Bobby Picardi, who assisted in Rep. Giannino's successful campaigns for office.



Donna Picardi Kelley and Richard Picardi Jr., standing near the memorial honoring their brother, Robert "Bobby" Picardi.

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City of Revere Affordable Housing Trust Fund inaugural meeting tonight

Special to the Journal

Joe Gravellese, Chair of the Revere Affordable Housing Trust Fund has released the agenda for the inaugural meeting, taking place tonight, November 9, in the City Council Chambers. The meeting will also be streamed on Zoom.

The agenda is as follows:

- 1) Call to order & roll call of members
- 2) Chairman's introduc-

tion & brief overview

- 3) Members' introductions
- 4) Guest presentation: Shelly Goehring
 - Overview of Affordable Housing Trust Funds, with Shelly Goehring of the Massachusetts Housing Partnership.

>Shelly will describe the responsibilities and role of municipal affordable housing trusts and discuss how other municipalities have used the trust

>Commission members + interested members of the public are encouraged to read MHP's guidebook on municipal affordable housing trusts: https://www.housingtoolbox.org/writable/files/resources/MAHTGuidebook_2018.pdf

- 5) Commission members discuss goals and big picture ideas for the AHTF's work
- 6) Other business: Any late added agenda items

will be addressed here

- 7) Open Forum (opportunity for the public to address the AHTF either in person or via zoom)
- 8) Adjournment

How to participate remotely via zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81046594733>
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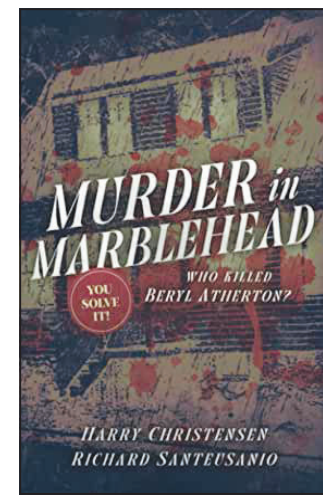
Santeusanio publishes murder-mystery book based on Marblehead case

Special to the Journal

Richard Santeusanio, a Revere High School graduate and former Revere teacher and school committee member, has co-authored a new book, Murder in Marblehead. The book chronicles the unsolved murder in 1950 of a Marblehead elementary school teacher, Beryl Atherton. Co-author Harry Christensen has been researching and study-

ing the case for over fifty years.

The book reviews all the obtainable research on the murder, the autopsy, the detailed murder scene, the background of the victim, relevant photographs, the insights of knowledgeable townspeople, and the countless clues to the murder gathered over seventy years. It also details "The Great Storm of 1950" which took place during the day and evening of the



murder.

After providing information on all the suspects, the authors focus on the three they feel were most likely to have killed Atherton. Readers can go to the authors' website to present their own theories on who committed the horrible crime.

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Sports

RHS SPORTS Roundup

RUPP WINS MEDAL AT STATE COACHES MEET

Revere High freshman Olivia Rupp ran a superb race to finish in the top-10 and earn a medal in the freshman race at the Frank Mooney Coaches Invitational Meet this past Saturday that was held at the state high school Development Center in Wrentham. "Though it was a little warm for the runners, Olivia was dominant again," said RHS head coach Katie Sinnott. "Her time once again was a personal best pace for her. She is tough and determined, and races well. I am excited to see how she does next week against the other Division 2 teams across the state."

Teammate Rocio Gonzalez Castillo ran in the Junior/Senior girls race and had a great finish. Rocio outkicked five other runners in the final 20 meters to finish in 84th place (out of well over 150 runners) with a time of 24:24 for the 5K distance.

Rocio will also race next week at the D-2 State Meet and will be looking to better her time from last year.

RHS GIRLS SOCCER PUTS UP SPIRITED BATTLE, BUT FALLS JUST SHORT IN TOURNNEY MATCH

The Revere High girls soccer team put up a valiant battle, but could not overcome an early 2-0 deficit and fell to a well-coached and talented Bishop Stang Spartan team by a score of 2-1 in the opening round of the MIAA Division 3 girls state soccer tournament in No. Dartmouth last Friday.

The Lady Patriots, who compiled a 10-6-2 record during the regular season, entered the D-3 tourney as the #38 seed, while the Spartans were seeded 27th with a 7-8-3 mark.

Stang scored two early goals to start the game to grab a quick 2-0 lead, but Revere goalkeeper Nisrin Sekkat and the Lady Patriot defense kept the Spartans off the board the rest of the way.

Stang took its 2-0 advantage into the intermission, but Revere senior forward Nahomy Galvez, assisted by Sandra Torres, reached the back of the Spartan net soon into the second half to slice the margin to 2-1.

Torres took possession

of the ball at midfield, turned, and adeptly sent a through-ball through the legs of the Stang defender to Galvez, who corralled the pass and advanced to the top of the box.

The Spartan keeper came out to challenge Galvez, but Nahomy lifted the ball over the keeper's head for the goal.

"They scored two quick goals in the first half and then we held them scoreless the rest of the game," said RHS head coach Megan O'Donnell. "Our goalkeeper, Nisrin Sekkat, got a lot of praise from the game officials and the Bishop Stang coach. Nisrin let in two goals on 15 shots on net and came up with a few solid stops in the second half.

"We had a ton of scoring chances in the second half from Erika Mejia, Nataly Olivia, Kaylin Oliva, Nahomy Galvez, and Samarah Piava," O'Donnell continued. "Our defense held their own on Stang, who moved the ball well and had great speed up top. Ari Pina, Giselle Salvador, Samarah Piava, and Fatima Olivia have worked so well all year together, I can't wait to see what they do next season as a unit.

"Jess Nova, Kyra Deleany, and Catalina Chizavo all moved the ball upfield and played hard," O'Donnell added. "We had a few scoring chances, but the Stang goalie made some great plays on them.

"Our bench played a huge role in our success this season," O'Donnell noted. "They came and worked hard every practice to make each other better and they cheered and supported their teammates all year. We will miss our seniors, but the girls who are coming back are something special and I can't wait to see what they do next year."

RHS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM FALLS IN TOURNNEY

The magical season for the Revere High girls volleyball team, which compiled a perfect 20-0 record and earned an undisputed Greater Boston League title, came to an end last Thursday with a 3-0 loss at Amherst-Pelham Regional High School in an opening round contest of the MIAA Division 2 volleyball state tournament.

Coach Lianne Mimmo's squad entered the tourney as the 19th seed, while Amherst-Pelham, 17-3, was seeded 14th.

Revere football loses to Plymouth South, 28-6, in playoffs

By Cary Shuman

The Revere High football team fell to Plymouth South, 28-6, in a Division 3 first-round game Friday night in Plymouth.

Revere was withing striking distance of the undefeated Panthers well into the third quarter, before the hosts scored two touchdowns to pull away to the victory. Revere (4-5) had played Plymouth South in the second game of the regular season, falling by a 35-20 score.

"It was a good football game for a while," said Revere head coach Lou Ciatelli. "I'm proud of my guys. We hung in there

and played them tough for four quarters."

In Friday's rematch with Plymouth South, Revere marched down the field on its opening drive but turned the ball over on downs. The Revere defense stopped Plymouth South on the ensuing possession, but a fumbled punt led to the Panthers' first touchdown and a 7-0 lead.

Revere quarterback Carlos Rizo rushed for a 1-yard touchdown to close the gap to 7-6, before Plymouth South took a 14-6 lead into the break.

Revere appeared to have scored on a scoop

and score touchdown in the third quarter after Chris Cassidy recovered a Plymouth South fumble, but the referees ruled that the runner was down on contact.

"The referee said the runner was down, but we felt it was a clear fumble - that was a big turning point in the game," said Revere head coach Lou Ciatelli.

Plymouth South scored touchdowns in the third and fourth quarters to lock up the win.

Revere lineman Jason Shosho was once again a force on defense with 10 tackles.

"Jason is arguably one

of the best defensive linemen we've ever had in our program," lauded Ciatelli. "He's a very smart, coachable player."

Defensive end Walter Rodriguez also played well for the Patriots.

Abbas Attoui led the Revere rushing attack with 75 yards.

Ciatelli said his team, which has been decimated by injuries and is down to 32 players, is looking to end the season on a positive note in games versus Masconomet Thursday (6 p.m. at Della Russo Stadium) and Winthrop on Thanksgiving at Miller Field in Winthrop.

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RHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

10 year ago November 7, 2012

The Revere High football team will be shooting to capture at least a share of the Cape Ann League/Northeastern Conference Division 1 championship Friday night under the lights at Masconomet High School in Topsfield. Revere will be looking to shake off a two game losing streak. The Pats dropped a 30-18 decision to Lynn Classical last week, Revere's first loss to a D-1 CAL/NEC opponent. All 48 of the teams' combined points came in the first half. Classical sprinted to a 16-0 advantage on its first two possessions in the first period. The Patriots soon fought back, marching 70 yards on their ensuing possession, the key play coming on a 40 yard jaunt into the end zone by junior Tom Portrait. Jeff Simbert's PAT closed the gap to 16-7. Classical responded to the Revere touchdown with one of its own on a fourth-and-13 Hail Mary pass into the end zone from the Revere 45 yard line appeared to be well-defended by Portrait (who does

double-duty in the Revere defensive backfield), but the ball tipped off his fingers and bounded into the waiting arms of a Classical receiver in the end-zone. The Patriots counter-punched with a drive that took them 60 yards to the Classical eight. However, Revere had to settle for a field goal by Simbert on a fourth and goal from the 12, closing the gap to 23-10. Lynn Classical scored another TD, but Revere battled back. RHS quarterback Joe Ritchie expertly directed his team 60 yards for a TD, the caper being a nice 20 yard toss to Portrait with only seconds left on the clock. Another Simbert PAT closed the gap to a very manageable 30-18 deficit as the teams headed into the locker room.

The Revere High girls cross country team trekked to the Wrentham Development Center to compete in the Coach's Invitational on the Wrentham course Saturday. Revere's ace runner all year, Nikki Nelson, earned a top finisher medal in the 11th and 12th grade meet with a time of 21:26 in the 5K

race to pace the Lady Patriot contingent, of whom 11 girls competed in the freshman race, one in the sophomore race, and four in the junior-senior race.

A number of members of the Revere High boys cross country team competed in Saturday's Coach's Invitational at the Wrentham Development Center.

The Revere High field hockey team concluded its 2012 season with contests against Saugus (a 0-0 tie) and Peabody (a 4-1 loss.). Steph Gregorio recorded the goal for Revere in the Peabody encounter on a pass from Erika Ronga. The concluding week of the season marked the farewell for Lady Patriot seniors Leanne Rizzo, Sarah Bouitah, and Meiling Theng. Logan DiCarlo earned the only Revere nod on the Northeastern Conference all star team to which 22 of the league's top athletes were selected.

20 years ago November 13, 2002

The RHS football team was no match for Waltham in a 31-6 loss Friday night.

30 years ago November 18, 1992

The RHS football team completed its GBL season with a 35-12 loss to first place Arlington, which is ranked 10th in the state. David Gravalese scored both touchdowns for the Pats against an Arlington defense that has yielded just six points per game. Revere finished at 3-6 in the GBL and now will meet Winthrop on Thanksgiving Day.

40 years ago Nov. 10, 1982

The RHS cross country team shut out Chelsea, 15-50, to end the season with a 5-2 record, good for third place in the GBL.

Bob DeSisto scored two touchdowns, including one on a 52 yard run, and backfield mate Ron Lusso also reached the end zone twice, but that proved not to be enough as the 1-7 RHS football team dropped a 36-29 contest to Peabody.

50 years ago Nov. 10, 1972

The RHS football team improved to 4-2-1 on the season with a 15-12 win

over Medford. Jimmie Caramello scored both of the Revere touchdowns.

The Immaculate Conception High football team defeated St. Mary's of Cambridge, 14-10, behind the two-touchdown performance of John Dyer.

60 years ago Nov. 15, 1962

The RHS football team dropped a 22-0 decision to Somerville Saturday. Coach Billy Cella's squad will conclude their season on Thanksgiving Day against St. Mary's of Lynn. Coach Ron Corbett's Immaculate Conception High football team lost 12-0 to St. Mary's Cambridge to fall to 2-3 on the season.

70 years ago Nov. 13, 1952

Former Boston Red Sox star and current Detroit Tiger player Walt Drogo was the featured speaker at the Little League awards banquet held in Fr. Brennan Hall with 400 persons in attendance. Little League volunteers will be canvassing the city Sunday to raise funds to construct a new Little League field on

Winthrop Ave.

The RHS football team absorbed its second straight drubbing, 43-6, to Gloucester. Red Nutile scored the one Revere TD on a 54 yard punt return.

Capt. Oakie O'Connor tossed a pair of TD passes to Sisto and Ed O'Hara to lead the Immaculate Conception High football team to a 12-7 win over St. Columbkille. O'Hara also rushed for 106 yards on 16 carries.

80 years ago Nov. 12, 1942

A crowd of more than 10,000 fans packed Paul Revere Stadium Sunday afternoon for the big football game between Revere High and Immaculate Conception High. The contest was the feature event of the War Bond Rally at the stadium. Although Revere High was a big favorite coming into the battle, IC made a game of it until the third quarter. Joe Mannone scored the first RHS TD and fullback DeSisto scored the two others. Bucky Sawtelle made numerous key receptions during the RHS scoring drives.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Salads for holiday menus

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you considered adding salads to your holiday meals? Traditional side dishes on a Thanksgiving table might be more inviting to some of

your diners if they were in salad form. What's more, salads can be made ahead, demand less attention from the cook, and don't need space on a crowded stove.



Sweet potato salad can make a light and easy-to-prepare ahead, side dish for your holiday table.

Food Preferences Have Changed

Many of our holiday food traditions come from a time when hearty food was needed for people who performed manual labor. Today, many of us are careful about what we eat because our work is less physical. Some guests may decline meat, avoid gluten, or have food allergies. More of your guests will have their needs and preferences met if you opt for vegan salads (perhaps with an assortment of add-ins like bacon or nuts on the side).

Thanksgiving Options

You can begin with a classic Thanksgiving turkey with gravy, stuffing, and mashed potatoes. It's

the side dishes that can be transformed. You might replace a green bean casserole with a protein-packed salad of cannellini, kidney, and garbanzo beans in a vinaigrette dressing. We discovered sweet potato salads this year and would happily include this option in place of candied yams.

Tang is one flavor profile that is missing from most Turkey-Day meals. If the cranberry sauce is homemade and not too sweet, it can offer a brighter flavor to cut through the heavier food. You might consider a dish of pickled beets as an uplifting side. Asian-style coleslaw is another salad that can be sweet and sour or even hot and sweet. This touch of spice would give the chili-heads in the group reason to cheer.

Great artisan pickles are becoming more common. You might search out your Great Aunt Tilly's condiment server and provide an assortment of pickles, chutneys, and mustards for guests to add to their

plates.

What Can I Bring?

Salads are the perfect answer when you are hosting, and your guests are bringing part of the meal. These dishes are easy to transport and can go right on the table or buffet when they arrive without a trip through the kitchen. Many of the suggestions we've made here are best when prepared ahead and allowed to marinate.

We suggest you ask the salad maker to keep the dressing on the side for salads that are best when tossed at the last moment and make dressing their contribution their responsibility. Another option is to put the dressing in a separate bowl and let the guests add their own. That can help make a big bowl of leafy greens better as a leftover.

Leftover Salads

Around our house, we have two opinions on leftover salads. Ed loves them all, even those with

wilted greens. Penny only enjoys marinated salads like slaw or carrot salad as leftovers. If you choose your salad sides carefully, they can become part of the weekend smorgasbord. While traditional mayo coleslaw is typical on sandwiches like pulled pork, we love Asian slaw on turkey sandwiches. The pickle tray can come out and brighten the sandwich plates.

Yes, you will have someone who profoundly regrets your decision to replace their favorite holiday menu item with a salad version. However, you may also receive praise from other guests who were happy to bring something easy to make or who may even ask if they can take a little of a delicious salad home in their doggie bag.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

CHELSEA RECEIVES GRANT

CHELSEA - The city received some good news in its efforts to revitalize Broadway and the downtown.

Chelsea was recently notified that it is receiving a \$4 million grant from the state's MassWorks Infrastructure Program to help finance a major infrastructure program on Broadway from City Hall to Williams Street, according to Alexander Train, the city's housing and community development director.

The money will help upgrade water, sewer, drainage, and fiber optics infrastructure along the important stretch of Broadway, and will dovetail with the \$5 million the City Council has previously appropriated for the reconstruction of the street.

"It will improve water and sewer services for the business owners and residents on Broadway," said Train. "Up to this point, due to inflation and rising costs, it has been a challenge to find funding for the project."

Train thanked Governor Charlie Baker and his administration for working with the city to help secure the funding through the grant and taking the project one step closer to being a reality.

"Chelsea City Council appropriated \$5 million in construction funding for this project, demonstrating the City's commitment to infrastructure modernization in the downtown," said Train. "This funding, combined with MassWorks and other sources, will allow the City to realize this project."

Currently, Train said the plan is to finish the design of the project and put it out to bid in the winter of 2023 with a construction start date in early 2024.

The city was also recently awarded a \$100,000 grant from the MassDevelopment Underutilized Properties Program to help advance design and architectural plans for the conversion of the former Salvation Army building at 440 Broadway into a mixed-use development with 28 affordable housing units and retail space on the first floor.

The project is being developed by the Tragorh Company and will feature retail space on the first floor. That space will be used by the non-profit Hispanic American Institute to develop small retail food areas where local businesses can sell their products.

Train said the project serves a number of needs, including the city's commitment to providing more affordable housing, and creating a space for small, local businesses.

Train also noted that the retail space will work well in conjunction with teaching kitchens currently being proposed by non-profits such as La Colaborativa and GreenRoots.

The groundbreaking for the 440 Broadway project could take place by the end of 2023, Train said.

McGONAGLE PRESENTS DONATION TO PTH

EVERETT - State Representative Joe McGonagle, on behalf of the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick, recently presented a check for \$6,000 to Deb Fallon and Lori Laviolette from Portal To Hope

BIKE WINTHROP'S FIFTH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN BIKE PARADE

Shown to the right, Dominic and Giuliana Pizzicannel-Murphy on their bikes during the annual Halloween Bike Parade and Fun Run on Oct. 29.



Shown to the left, Aimee, Graham, Janelle, and Julien Valgout-Forbes.



(PTH) at Everett City Hall.

The money was donated to PTH to help continue the organization's work in providing programs and services to help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking crimes heal and recover.

"I'm happy to see Portal To Hope receive this well-deserved donation as they continue their mission of one day ending domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking crimes and the stigma that often surrounds it," said Mayor Carlo DeMaria. "They do tremendous work, and I hope this helps them keep on serving people who are victims of domestic violence."

Portal To Hope is a community-based non-profit organization that is committed to working with local civic groups, hospitals, law enforcement, religious organizations, and government officials and agencies to ending domestic violence, stalking crimes and sexual assault. It serves Massachusetts communities in Everett, Lynn, Malden, Medford and Winthrop.

ROOFTOP DECK CAUSES ISSUES

EAST BOSTON - During the monthly Gove Street Citizens Association (GSCA) meeting on Monday, Oct. 24, attendees were presented with a proposal to add a roof deck to a recently renovated three-family building at 229 Maverick Street - the catch? The roof deck has already been built.

Attorney Derric Small cited that the roof deck - which was built without the proper permits - was built due to a miscommunication between the developer and contractor.

Small, who represents the developer, explained that during the development at 229 Maverick Street, the developer also had an ongoing project at 92 Bennington Street that involved roof decks.

"When the 92 Bennington Street project was approved with its roof decks, there was communication

with the contractor that the roof deck was approved, but it wasn't very clear as to which roof deck the developer was referring to," said Small.

"They ended up building a roof deck here at 229 [Maverick Street] on a conversation that was approved, but it was misunderstood that the developer was referring to the project at 92 Bennington Street."

This project was actually presented to the GSCA in the Spring of 2021 and was struck down by a vote of 7-6 to make matters more interesting. Furthermore, there were no updates to the project's design since it was voted on in the spring of 2021.

"The only difference is the buildings beside were not developed yet," said Small.

When the presentation was opened to questions, some attendees were confused about how something like this could happen, considering the developer's experience.

A member of the development team, Meggan Ayers, was present at the meeting and has been in development for about four years. She also works with her father, who has about 35 years of experience in development. Ayers stated that in the past, the developers had done work at places like 231 Maverick Street and 96 Cottage Street, among others.

The information regarding previous projects prompted GSCA Board Member Chen Cao to ponder, "Maybe it is just my naivety around this - it seems like the developer has lots of experience kind of going through the process of, you know, requesting or developing in the neighborhood, so I was kind of curious how the deck was constructed or was it just purely a miscommunication."

Both Small and Ayers reiterated that it was a simple misunderstanding that caused the erection of the roof deck.

"I was trying to run these projects simultaneously - clearly made a

rather large error in doing so, and so this was purely a miscommunication just saying in excitement, 'yep, we are all set the deck has been approved; go ahead' because in my mind I'm thinking about 92 Bennington not thinking about 229 [Maverick Street], so that was on me," said Ayers.

Although it may seem improbable that an error like this could happen, Ayers did emphasize that the roof deck was involved in the initial planning, and efforts were made to go through the proper process to build it legally be-

fore the accident.

As for the future of the roof deck, the proposal will have to go through the Zoning Board of Appeals for approval.

"At the end of the day, if the Zoning Board of Appeals says no, then Derric [Small] knows that the developer will have to bring this down," said East Boston Liaison Nathalia Benitez.

Not only will the proposal have to go through the Zoning Board of Appeals, but it will also be put up for a GSCA vote. However, that vote did not occur at Monday's meeting due to a GSCA guideline that there must be at least two meetings on a subject before a vote takes place.

The delayed vote caused a civilized discussion to turn confrontational, as Small was confused as to why this meeting does not count as the second, as there was a short presentation about it in July.

"It was not clear to the community that this roof deck was already built. That was something you said kind of absent-minded - it just was not clear, and that's why we have been having these conversations over e-mail for a few months now," said GSCA Board Member Neelesh Batra to Small.

"You know the issues at hand. You already know them, so don't come to me now and ask why this is happening; you know why it is happening," Batra added.

However, Small did mention that the roof deck was already built back in the July meeting - which Batra acknowledged. In July, Small also showed some of the same photographs he did at Monday's meeting.

Overall the situation has been sticky, to say the least, and none more sticky than for the unit owner Scott Von Stein who pleaded with attend-

ees to think before they eventually vote.

"I'm a first-time home buyer. When I bought this place, I had no idea this was even an issue. I assumed that everything was right - my lawyer agreed to the sale and never brought this up as an issue," said Von Stein.

Von Stein indicated that if the roof deck is not approved, he will have to seek litigation to make sure the developer foots the bill if it were to be removed.

"If this isn't approved, this is really going to financially damage me, so I am just kind of asking from a human perspective to kind of keep that in mind - an actual human being lives here that has no association with the developer whatsoever," said Von Stein.

"When people vote on this, I am just asking please keep that in mind."

WINTHROP OFFICER RECEIVES AWARD

WINTHROP -On November 1, in a ceremony at Worcester's Mechanics Hall, Governor Charlie Baker, Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito, and Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy presented the 39th Annual Trooper George L. Hanna Memorial Awards for Bravery. The Hanna Awards honor the memory of Massachusetts State Police Trooper George Hanna, killed in the line of duty in 1983, and recognize members of law enforcement for exemplary acts of bravery. Among those receiving the award is Winthrop Police Sergeant Nicholas C. Bettano

"There is extraordinary bravery across all of the Commonwealth's police departments, and the Hanna Awards offer

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Introducing Lauren Buck in her new position as Chief of Health and Human Services

Adrienne Sacco-Maguire starts new role as Emergency Preparedness Manager, following career as nurse in RPS

Special to the Journal

Residents may remember Lauren Buck for her role as Director of Public Health throughout the COVID pandemic. In September of 2022, Lauren Buck was voted unanimously in her promotion as Chief of Health and Human Services. As the Chief of Health and Human Services, Buck is responsible for directly supporting 8 departments and commissions including Elderly Services, the Department of Public Health, Community Health and Engagement, SUDHI, Veterans Services, Consumer Affairs, the Human Rights Commission, and the North Suffolk Public Health Collaborative. The chief position is responsible for managing over 40 full time and part time employees and managing nearly \$4 million dollars annually in revenues and expenses over all HHS departments.

Lauren will be the third to serve as the Chief of Health and Human Services for the City of Revere, following Kim Hanton who now serves as Mayor Arrigo's Chief of Staff and Dr. Nathalie Kong.

The Emergency Preparedness Manager is a new role in Health and Human Services – and Adrienne Sacco-Maguire, active community mem-

ber and Beachmont resident, has already started getting to work in this role at the Board of Health. The Mayor's Office sat down with Chief Buck and Adrienne Sacco-Maguire to learn more about their vision for the department and the importance of the new emergency position.

INTERVIEWER: Lauren, what do you see as your priorities as Chief of Health and Human Services?

BUCK: In the past I feel like the public health department has kind of been like siloed off of, you know, City Hall. Public Health wasn't really in integral, but now, especially now that Covid happened it touches on everything. I think in general the goal of the Public Health Department over the next couple years is just to continue building relationships that we've built over Covid. The important aspect is to continue being effective in communication and getting word out to the community. I don't think anyone has cracked the code on it just yet, but it's an important aspect of our work and something we're always trying to improve. The relationships we've built over Covid was im-

portant and connected us with departments we wouldn't normally work with. For example, we continue to work with Donny in Water and Sewer with wastewater studies, and we are constantly reaching out to the Department of Planning and Community Development for all things housing. In a sense, it was important Covid happened because

it made other departments realize we are here, and we're ready to work in whatever capacity that holds. Because Health and Human services are, at its' simplest form, integral to every department in the City of Revere.

I think there are overarching issues that all departments deal with... Housing and homelessness is one of them. It's something that touches Veterans Affairs, Elder Affairs, Community Outreach, and SUDHI. It's just getting us all to be working together and knowledgeable about what each department's doing on those big issues so we can be more effective. It's a matter of bringing Public Health to the forefront of the issues we're facing in Revere, and asking "how can we be a part of this?" More often than not, it's important to have Health and Human Services at the table for a variety of reasons, and that's something I don't think we connected to prior to COVID.

INTERVIEWER: What is your new role as Emergency Preparedness Manager? Why is this position so important?

MAGUIRE: The position certainly came out of seeing the need for more coordination with emergency services. Emergencies always happened and maybe we could have been more prepared for some of them, but what that showed us was that it's clear there needed to be more communication with different departments like Fire and Police and SUDHI and Liaisons to

have a more coordinated effort with solutions. The role is important because if there is an emergency like a fire, or even a pandemic, you know who to call. It can be for things as big as a pandemic, but it can also be a really hot summer day or cold winter. Emergencies are inevitable. But being prepared for them can, in turn, lessen the difficulty they bring on our city.

INTERVIEWER: Adrienne, you've been a nurse in the Revere Public Schools for most of your career – how has COVID changed the perception of Public Health in Revere? How is this role different?

MAGUIRE: I think that our city finally actually saw what it was that public health does during the pandemic because we were the ones that were leaned on during the crisis. We were able to distinguish ourselves as the department you called for guidance, and I do think that will remain going forward. Working in the schools for so long, I see now how dramatically we have grown and started to cover issues that I never used to work on.

INTERVIEWER: What made both of you get into this line of work?

BUCK: I was a regular clinical nurse, working at a hospital and just always knew it wasn't the right fit for me. Most nurses get into their roles because they like helping people, but for some reason being in a hospital wasn't the right fit for me. I always thought – instead of help-



Adrienne Sacco-Maguire and Lauren Buck.

ing one person with blood pressure issues, why not try to tackle the reason that an entire community has blood pressure issues? That's what drew me into public health – trying to seek those answers and tackle larger community problems.

MAGUIRE: I've only worked in pediatrics, and I was very comfortable working only in pediatrics for all of my nursing career. But working through Covid gave me a different perspective of how you can help community. And so when I left my school nurse job, I said that it was time for me to make an impact on not just the students that I worked with, but the community that I've lived in my whole life. That's how I came into public health. Also to work for somebody who is as passionate about public health as Lauren is, and see a whole different scope of public health, that's exciting to me. She pushes me every day to learn new things and look at things from a different perspective.

INTERVIEWER: If you had to give yourself

piece of advice when COVID started, what would you say?

BUCK: My first week of the pandemic, I wasn't working here. I was a nurse. And I mean, I just like would wish I would tell myself "Don't panic!" Cause it was so scary. I struggled a lot with how scary it was this first couple months and I just wish I could tell myself that you'll make it through. I would tell myself that in some situations, you're not going to make everyone happy and you have to be okay with that. I hate that as a piece of advice because obviously the goal is to try to meet people's needs, but you're not always going to be able to do that... and just learn to live with it a little bit better.

MAGUIRE: I would tell myself not to be afraid to reach out. I think about at the beginning how we probably didn't hit every neighborhood of Revere or we weren't translating enough information, but we learned pretty quickly how important that was and we will always continue to expand accessibility.

Arrigo proposes MassDOT Route 1A Corridor resolution

Council approves resolution to establish a truck/haul road and green space running parallel to Route 1A

Special to the Journal

At the Revere City Council meeting on October 24th, Mayor Arrigo introduced a resolution to repurpose surplus Commonwealth property that

runs parallel to Route 1A. The Commonwealth, through its Department of Transportation owns vacant property located along 1A that could be used to reduce pollution and traffic, improve public

safety, and mitigate community impacts given the City's proximity to Logan International Airport.

The resolution calls on the Governor and the Secretary of Transportation of the Commonwealth to

request: that the vacant land be repurposed, a haul road extension from the current end of the Coughlin Bypass be constructed eventually to the vicinity of Bell Circle, a pedestrian walkway and bike path along the waterfront to be created to allow the public to have increased access to the Chelsea Creek waterfront, and that barriers and

sea walls be constructed to protect the City of Revere against rising sea levels.

"I am confident that this project will improve the quality of life for the residents of Revere and for those passing through," said Mayor Arrigo. "The airport being so close to Revere means that our residents are disproportionately impacted by

traffic, noise, and congestion. Having a haul road will reduce the volume of commercial vehicles on our local roadways. This project will also give our residents even more options to get outside and enjoy our nearby natural resources."

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us an opportunity to honor the courageous men and women who protect and serve," said Governor Charlie Baker. "Like Trooper George Hanna, the dedicated women and men in law enforcement perform exceptional work guided by their deeply rooted commitment to helping others, no matter the risk to themselves."

"Members of our law enforcement community have demonstrated their extraordinary capacity to adapt and evolve to meet the public safety challenges of our time," said Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito. "Today's Hanna Awards remind us that in the most challenging and dangerous situations, police officers embrace the needs of our communities, continually renew their training and place their skilled expertise at the service of all."

Since 1983, 145 individuals have received the Hanna Award Medal of

Honor, the highest honor the Commonwealth bestows on a law enforcement officer. This year's prestigious award ceremony honored 32 recipients, hailing from Worcester, Winthrop, Wakefield, Brockton, Braintree, Boston, and the Massachusetts State Police Departments.

"The stories of today's Hanna Award recipients illustrate the extraordinary bravery required in this profession," Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy said. "As we honor these men and women today, we also express our gratitude to their loved ones who know too well the absence of their loved one at the dinner table, on a holiday, or at a school event, the families who endure the weight of uncertainty until he or she returns home safely from a shift."

Each year, local and state agencies submit Hanna Award applications, which are reviewed

by a committee of public safety and law enforcement executives. Upon selecting individuals or teams as recipients, the committee considers the facts of each nomination to classify the award as either a medal of honor or valor. Honor is the highest award for those who demonstrate extraordinary bravery and courage in the face of extreme risk and certain and imminent danger to life or limb. Valor is awarded to those whose valor in a single incident goes above and beyond the call of duty, and who demonstrate selfless bravery despite the potential for danger to themselves.

On Saturday, February 26, 1983, Trooper George Hanna conducted a motor vehicle stop in Auburn. Three men and two women were in the vehicle, and when Trooper Hanna removed the occupants for questioning, he was instantaneously shot six times by one of the male

suspects. He died later that evening in a Worcester hospital, leaving behind his wife, Marilyn, and three children, Deborah, Kimberly, and Michael. Deborah and Kimberly participated in today's program, presenting each award alongside Governor Baker.

In addition to the Medals of Honor and Valor, the Selection Committee reviewed a special event for which they recognized a 34-year veteran of the Massachusetts State Police, retired Trooper David L. Green, posthumously.

On June 26, 2021, Green heard a large truck crash near his home in the Town of Winthrop. With no regard for his personal safety, Green left the safety of his home to render aid. Turning into an alley next to his house, Green immediately encountered a deeply disturbed, armed gunman. Unarmed and a black man himself, Green confronted the suspect in

an attempt to end the threat he posed to the community. During the confrontation, the suspect fatally shot Green. Although actions outside of formal duty as a retired law enforcement officer do not meet the Hanna Award criteria, the committee unanimously agreed that David Green epitomized exceptional bravery and disregard for his safety in the face of grave danger.

The local 2022 Hanna Award recipient and incident summaries is as follows:

- Sergeant Nicholas C. Bettano, Winthrop Police Department — Medal of Honor

Sergeant Bettano was dispatched to the Winthrop motor vehicle accident that resulted in a stolen truck being left abandoned after the crash into the side of a building. While en route, Sergeant Bettano also received a report of gunfire.

One block from the reported accident, Sergeant Bettano rendered aid and protection to a woman lying in the middle of the road with serious gunshot injuries. A witness yelled to alert Bettano that the gunman was one block behind him carrying a firearm. Moving toward the subject, Bettano ordered the subject numerous times to drop the weapon as he took cover behind a parked car. The suspect raised his firearm and pointed it at Sergeant Bettano who returned fire, striking the subject.

Sergeant Bettano, without any regard for his safety, rendered aid to a gunshot victim, engaged the threat, and took appropriate action. Although two victims died because of fatal gunshot injuries, Sergeant Bettano's brave action saved countless lives that terrible day.

CITY HOLDS RE-DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR PVT. FRANK ERRICOLO MEMORIAL PARK

Photos by Cary Shuman

The Revere parks system continued its city-wide resurgence with the re-dedication of the newly renovated Pvt. Frank Erricolo Memorial Park, a children's play area located adjacent to Ambrose Park.

The city's parks and playgrounds have undergone major renovations under the leadership of Mayor Brian Arrigo and Project Manager Elle Baker.

"She's been truly a driving force behind getting so many parks and playgrounds rebuilt in our city," said Arrigo.

Arrigo presided over the ceremony during which he thanked the Mass. Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, through its park grant program, for joining in the collaborative effort of park renovations in the city.

"When we work together, beautiful things like this park happen, said Arrigo. "This park is a beautiful example of how collaboration can yield truly excellent results."

Reps. Jessica Giannino said it was important



Mayor Brian Arrigo, State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco, and Northeast Regional School Committeeman Anthony Giannino lead the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the re-dedication of Pvt. Frank Erricolo Park.

for children to have playgrounds and healthy recreational opportunities in their neighborhoods.

Turco said, "This is

such a great opportunity to be here for a park because it really reflects the city's

values that it is committed to its children. Mr. Mayor, I want to thank you for

your commitment to the kids of this city, investing in so many exciting oppor-

tunities that are happening in Revere."



Mayor Brian Arrigo speaks at the park re-dedication ceremony.



Rep. Jessica Giannino spoke about the importance of having playgrounds that are within walking distance for children in Revere neighborhoods.



Rep. Jeff Turco commended Mayor Brian Arrigo for investing in the well-being of Revere children through recreational opportunities such as the newly renovated Pvt. Frank Erricolo Park.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1	First word, often
5	Silvery fish
10	Shawl or cloak
14	Yikes!
15	Singer Tucker
16	Sharpen
17	Ms. Bombeck
18	Sprites
19	Bit
20	Golf foursome in Boston?
22	Throat guardian
24	Finalize
25	Ballesteros of golf
26	Mutt
29	Thrill
33	Part of U.A.E.
37	Writer Paretsky
38	Strictness
39	Director Malle
41	Old salt
42	Winter Palace autocrats
43	Overnight stopover
44	Writer Bagnold
46	Poplar or palm
47	Mall unit
48	Send to another doctor, perhaps
50	Roses' places
52	Goes by
57	Half
60	Pub in a London hospital?
62	Adored one
63	Burster's rope
65	Rust Simpson's sister
66	Chickens and turkeys
67	Put to use
68	List particular
69	Noisy fight
70	Sensory organs
71	Scout units

11	Aussie hoppers	57	Offend
12	Against	58	Bouquet
13	Ring	59	Hawkeye State
21	Swiss peak	60	Egyptian cobras
23	Open	61	Small landmass
25	Omar of "Funny Girl"	64	Mil. address
27	Horse operas		
28	Machine with a movable boom		
30	Culture base		
31	Ripped		
32	Gaelic tongue		
33	Money for mendicants		
34	Origin		
35	Crat or mat lead-in		
36	Protuberance on a catafalque?		
40	Icy rain		
45	Puts in positions		
49	Good cheer		
51	Welsh poet Thomas		
53	Unbroken		
54	Connecting rooms		
55	Ruhr city		
56	Clothes lines?		

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REVERE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GALA AND AWARDS NIGHT

Photos by Cary Shuman

The Revere Chamber of Commerce held its Gala and Awards Night Saturday at Casa Lucia.

RCC Executive Director Amanda Schepici-Portillo, who has piloted the organization's tremendous resurgence during the last year, welcomed the large gathering to the celebration and award ceremony.

Schepici-Portillo, who has generated a lot of publicity for the organization, began with a quip, "So as you guys know my name is Amanda, the executive director of the Revere Chamber of Commerce, or how others would refer to me as, 'The Revere Journal's most published person of the year.'"

"I feel so grateful to be leading one of the most distinguished non-profits, and I can't think of a more perfect role for myself," said Schepici-Portillo. "I've been able to share knowledge as a business owner myself. I have made some truly life-changing connections."

"This gala has been three years in the making. Tonight, we finally cele-

brate the many who have gone above and beyond to contribute to Revere's booming economy," said Schepici-Portillo.

RCC President Patrick Lospennato also delivered opening remarks. "The community support that the Chamber has received in the past year has been absolutely incredible," said Lospennato. "It was just over a year ago that we were having our launch party at Antonio's on the Beach, and it was then I knew right away that the Chamber was back, and it wasn't just back, it was back in a whole new way. The energy that Amanda as our executive director has put into her work has been instrumental to where we are now. Amanda not only saw the value of the Chamber of Commerce, she recognized its potential and used her skills, vision, and experience to revive the Chamber from its pandemic shutdown."

Lospennato also credited the hard-working board of directors for its support of the Chamber.

Past RCC President Richard Dalton, recalled



Board Member Vanessa Kazadi presents the Community Service Award to the Ryder apartment community, who were represented by Leasing Agent Deja Wallace (left) and Assistant Property Manager Dakota Vinzant.



Chamber Board Member Niles Welch, vice president of Beantown Law Group, and Nikki Sao-Pedro Welch.



Larry Elgart, and CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell, and CAPIC officials, Gladys Agneta, Cary Havey, and Keisha Brown.



The Revere Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, pictured at the Gala and Awards Night. Shown left to right, Patrick Lospennato, President, Manager, Santander Bank, Niles Welch, Vp, Attorney, Beantown Law Group, Erica Porzio, Licensed Agent & Financial Professional With New York Life Insurance Company, Jessica Feroli, Site Activation Manager At Suffolk Downs, The Hym Investment Group, Gertrude Mageza, Owner Of Purple Nurse Homecare, Laura Piro, Owner, Lbp Insurance, Oscar Arevalo, Vp/Business Banking Officer, Rockland Trust, Vanessa Kazadi, Founder Of Beraka Juice, Francisco Rosa, Attorney, Rosa & Taing Law, Tiffany Mota, Vice President, Store Manager, Td Bank Revere, Jessica Teixeira, Secretary, Owner, Imagination Station, Marta Flores, Treasurer, Ceo Of Improve Business Management, Tony Portillo, Vp, Owner Of Stars Branding, Winners Sports Bar & Grill, Facilities Source Janitorial Services, Amanda Portillo, Executive Director Of The Revere Chamber Of Commerce and (missing from [photo] Amanda Bonasoro, Owner Of Bono Appetit Meal Prep.



Seated are Karen Host, Kristen Albrecht, Doris Gesamondo, Sal Gesamondo, and Carmela Dalton. Standing are Dan Riendeau, Dennis Cataldo, Jeff Howe, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, and Richard Dalton.



Mission Beach House General Manager Leonardo Neves and Service Manager Johan Mola display the Rookie of the Year Award that was presented to the new restaurant located at 400 Ocean Ave.



Past Chamber President Patti Pace, Dennis Cataldo, and First Lady of Revere, Daveen Arrigo.



City Council President Gerry Visconti and his wife, Danielle Rose Visconti.

how he joined with Bob Haas, John McCarthy, and Dick Powers in 1978 in founding "this new version of the Chamber of Commerce" when Dalton was then the 31-year-old president of Wonderland Greyhound Park.

"What we did realize was that the business com-

munity needed a voice," said Dalton.

Mayor Brian Arrigo, First Lady of Revere Daveen Arrigo, and State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco led a distinguished slate of dignitaries in attendance at the elegant dinner.



Local realtor Jackie Forman Moore and Michael Moore.



Mayor Brian Arrigo presents the Revere Alumni Award to Derek Anemoduris (RHS Class of 1999), owner of Derek's Barber Shop.



Michael Aldi, owner of Cut 21, Fine Line, and Dryft and recipient of Revere Visionary Award, with his wife, Nicole Aldi.



John Festa presents the Revere Visionary Award to Michael Aldi, owner of Cut 21, Fine Line, and Dryft Revere restaurants.



State Reps. Jeff Turco and Jessica Giannino present the Non-Profit of the Year Award to For Kids Only Afterschool representatives, Revere Director Nick Jean-Baptiste, Executive Director Deborah Kneeland Keegan, and District Director Deniece Rodriguez.



Kirsten Giuffrida, Revere Alumni Award recipient Charles Giuffrida, director of Revere Travel and Tourism, and Julie DeMauro, transportation coordinator for the City of Revere.

REVERE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GALA AND AWARDS NIGHT



Representing First Priority Credit Union, (front row) Karen Gallo, Julie Perham, and Marc Brovender; (back row), Antonetta Kokoneshi, Jessline Espinal, Rachel Rogowicz, and Mike Wilberton.



Representing Karshis and Company of Keller Williams Realty, Meredith Stavrinis, Erika Ternullo, and Kristen Karshis, and Nicole Aldi, restaurant owner.



The past presidents of the Revere Chamber of Commerce received special citations from State Rep. Jessica Giannino. From left, are Jeff Howe, Bob Upton, Patti Pace, Sal Gesamondo, Richard Dalton, RCC President Patrick Lospennato, Rep. Jessica Giannino, and Karen Gallo.



Board Member Vanessa Kazadi, founder of Beraka Juice, and Sylvestre Kazadi.



Chamber Board Member Erica Porzio (right) of New York Life Insurance Company, and Vladislava Volodgodskaia.



Revere Public Library Young Adult Librarian Krystee Maniscalco and Shane Swain.



Revere Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Amanda Schepici-Portillo and her husband, Gabriel Portillo.



Pictured at the Revere Chamber of Commerce Gala and Awards Night are Mayor Brian Arrigo, Councillor-at-Large Steven Morabito, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, State Rep. Jessica Giannino, City Council President Gerry Visconti, State Rep. Jeff Turco, Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, and Ward 4 Councillor Patrick Keefe.



The Revere city government table, front row, from left, Linda DeMaio, Claudia Correa, Daveen Arrigo, and Claire Inzerillo. Back row, from left, John Festa, Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, Domenic Bocchino, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Gianni Hill, Benjamin Tayag, district director for Sen. Lydia Edwards, and Jackie McLaughlin.



RCC Board Member Erica Porzio presents the Impact Award to Esquite, represented by owner Abel Moreno and his son, Emiliano Moreno.



Revere Director of Travel and Tourism Charles Giuffrida, Kirsten Giuffrida, First Lady of Revere Daveen Arrigo, and Mayor Brian Arrigo.



Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo and RCC Executive Director Amanda Schepici-Portillo present the Revere Alumni Award to Charles Giuffrida (RHS Class of 2005), director of Travel and Tourism.



State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco and ECC Executive Director Amanda Schepici present the Board Member of the Year Award to Tony Portillo, owner of Stars Branding, Winners Sports Bar and Grill, and Facilities Source Janitorial Services.



Trial attorney Caroline Zulu of Zulu Law, State Rep. Jessica Giannino, State Rep. Jeff Turco, and Gertrude Mageza, director of Purple Nurse.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 62 CELEBRATES 60 YEARS AT THE WHARF RESTAURANT

Last Friday afternoon ICHS Classmates gathered at the Marina at the Wharf Restaurant to celebrate 60 years since their graduation. Thanks to the efforts of Bruce Dobson this group of graduates enjoyed a great dinner and a day to recall their hi and

low at Immaculate Conception High School.

Revere Historian Bob Upton donated Revere Beach caps for the graduates, bringing back more memories of their younger days growing up in Revere and the beach.



Organizer Bruce Dobson and his classmates, Denise Paome and Kathleen Kirke wearing their Revere Beach caps.



Celebrating 60 as classmates and friends. Seated: Eileen Fahey, Maureen Cronin, Betty Evanoff, Denise Paome, Margarite Tiernaw, and Kathleen Kirke. Standing: Steve Kelly, Berenice Guy, Lorraine Restaino McDevitt, Bruce Dobson, Charles Carter, Ed Ferragamo, Bob Hayes, Doreen Shannon and Will Caissie.

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Temple Tifereth in Winthrop receives \$56,000 grant from state

Staff Report

The Baker-Polito Administration announced grants totaling more than \$4.1 million to help Massachusetts nonprofit faith-based organizations to improve physical security and protect against terroristic and hate-fueled attacks. The awards were announced during the 4th Annual Faith-Based Organizations Safety and Security Seminar hosted by the Commonwealth Fusion Center and attended by more than 150 federal, state, local and nonprofit partners at the Southbridge Hotel and Conference Center in Southbridge, Mass.

Congregation Tifereth Israel in Winthrop received a grant for \$56,942.

“Protecting our Commonwealth means protecting the organizations that are the pillars of our communities. We are committed to ensuring that these

nonprofits and houses of worship are protected and that everyone can feel safe when they gather and worship,” said Governor Charlie Baker.

“Faith-based organizations provide important opportunities for people to worship, gather and connect with their faith and their community,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. “Protecting these institutions from threats ensures that residents of every creed have a safe, dedicated space to engage in the life of their community.”

The funds are made available through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP). In Massachusetts, these funds are managed by the Office of Grants and Research (OGR), a state agency that is part of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS). The grants were award-

ed through a competitive application process to 37 nonprofits that were determined to be at high risk of a terror attack or hate crime.

“These grants ensure that nonprofit institutions where community members gather have the resources that they need to improve security. Ensuring the right to gather safely and to practice faith without fear is fundamental to our public safety goals,” said Secretary of Public Safety and Security Terrence Reidy.

“Gathering places such as houses of worship have unique security needs. The grants awarded through this program will help the recipients increase the security of their facilities while continuing to provide the open and welcoming gathering places their communities rely on,” said OGR Executive Director Kevin Stanton.

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USS Constitution Museum hosts free public events to celebrate Veterans Day

Staff Report

The USS Constitution Museum will honor veterans with a “Salute to Veterans”—a ticketed breakfast to celebrate the 247th birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps and free public programming on November 11, 2022, in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The day will begin with a ticketed breakfast at the Museum following Morning Colors in front of “Old Ironsides” on Pier 1. The breakfast features remarks from Major Gen-

eral Charles L. Hudson, USMC (Ret.), who will draw upon his experiences over a distinguished thirty-five-year career leading logistics planning and operations for the Marine Corps on land and sea to reflect upon the importance of solid leadership during turbulent times. General Hudson will also discuss the value of the leadership traits and principles learned as a Marine, as well as what we can learn from his recent experience assisting U.S. Government Security Co-

operation and Institutional Capacity Building efforts in Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Kuwait, and Mexico.

The annual breakfast also honors the memory of LT. William S. Bush, the first U.S. Marine Corps officer to die in the War of 1812 aboard USS Constitution.

The Museum will also provide a special welcome for veteran visitors throughout the day, featuring a special veterans-only tour of the Ship and inviting military families to visit with free admission.

Veterans who register in advance and participate in the tour will also receive a U.S. flag flown on board “Old Ironsides” as a special gift from the Museum.

Additionally, the public will have the chance to thank a member of our military community directly. Over the weekend, the Museum will host a write-a-thon to send personalized thanks to veterans, active-duty service members, and their families. This Veterans Day write-a-thon is part of a year-long initiative

of the Museum to collect “50,000 Letters of Gratitude” for the military community. Anne Grimes Rand, President and CEO of the USS Constitution Museum, explains, “We believe that the simple art of letter-writing to express gratitude can tremendously impact lives. This act of kindness recognizes the important contribution of those who serve, while demonstrating a valuable skill to younger generations.”

Finally, the day’s events will cater to families,

as the public is invited to enjoy a free round of USS Constitution mini golf in the Charlestown Navy Yard! This outdoor course, themed by key moments in the Ship’s history, is back by popular demand for the last time this season after its introduction at the recent Birthday Block Party. We will also have free snacks and treats while supplies last! For complete details on the day’s activities, visit usscm.org/events/veterans-day-2022.

WEEKLY CRIME REPORT

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Revere Police Department responded on the listed dates. The log is a public record and available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

parties with the exchange of papers.

1252: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Revere Beach Blvd.

1413: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Ward St.

1519: Motor vehicle accident on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1637: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Winthrop Ave. and restored the peace.

1702: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1733: Motor vehicle accident on Squire Rd. The officer issued a citation to a 30 year-old Maine man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

1737: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Walnut Ave. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1909: Motor vehicle accident on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

2036: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Broadway.

2043: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from McCoba St.

2052: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Broadway.

2104: Noise disturbance on Blaney St. The officer restored the peace.

2121: An officer kept the peace on Winthrop Parkway.

2311: Motor vehicle accident on Fenno St. The officer will file a report.

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

2323: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle at Broadway and Fenno St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2331: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Overlook Ridge Drive.

2338: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Overlook Ridge Drive.

SUNDAY, OCT. 2

0011: Motor vehicle accident on Pleasant St. The officer issued a citation to a 60 year-old Maine woman for the criminal offense of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and for the civil infraction of having an open container of alcohol while operating a motor vehicle. She also was charged with the criminal offense of causing wanton destruction of property in an amount less than \$1200.

0027: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Delano Ave.

0027: Disabled motor vehicle (MV) on Squire Rd. The MV was towed.

0035: Noise disturbance on Oakwood Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0104: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Overlook Ridge Drive.

0206: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Park Ave.

0246: Larceny on Ocean Ave. The officer filed a report.

0247: Noise disturbance on Camille Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0250: Noise disturbance on Oakwood Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0252: Noise disturbance on Ridge Rd. The officer provided assistance.

0258: Noise distur-

bance on Glendale St. The officer restored the peace.

0319: Noise disturbance on Ridge Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0338: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Alden Ave.

0342: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Lynn Marsh Rd.

0455: Unwanted person on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0456: Noise disturbance on Glendale St. The officer spoke to the party.

0510: Unwanted person on Squire Rd. The officers issued a summons for a court hearing to a 42 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offenses of two counts of assault & battery upon a police officer, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

0546: Motor vehicle accident on Grover St. The officer will file a report.

0602: Parking complaint at Summer St. and Crystal Ave. The officer provided assistance.

0621: An officer provided assistance to another agency at Brown Circle.

0702: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Orvis Rd.

0727: Suspicious activity on Vera St. The officer filed a report.

0813: Unwanted person on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

0828: An officer provided assistance to another agency on No. Shore Rd.

0924: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Park Ave. The officer

filed a report.

0938: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at No. Shore Rd. and Mills Ave. for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

0939: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on the Revere Beach Parkway and filed a report.

1002: Assault on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1003: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1056: Parking complaint on Shirley Ave. The vehicle was moved.

1114: Motor vehicle accident on Hichborn St. The officer will file a report.

1123: Motor vehicle accident on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1143: Fraud on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1352: Noise disturbance on Charger St. The officer restored the peace.

1352: Missing person on Revere St. The officer provided assistance.

1356: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer filed a report.

1407: Noise disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1442: Disturbance at Tuckerman and Malden Sts. The officer filed a report.

1505: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from

Overlook Ridge Drive.

1518: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Walnut Ave.

1622: Lost/found property on Beach Rd. The officer filed a report.

1637: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on American Legion Highway for a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1641: Noise disturbance on Malden St. The officer restored the peace.

1644: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1757: Disturbance on Everard St. The officer restored the peace.

1830: Unwanted person on Beachland Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1848: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Overlook Ridge Drive.

1935: Motor vehicle accident on Broadway. The officer issued a citation to a 23 year-old Boston man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

2030: Disturbance on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer restored the peace.

2031: Suspicious activity on Winthrop Ave. The officer filed a report.

2150: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on No. Shore Rd.

2240: Breaking and entering into a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave. The officer filed a report.

2351: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Broadway.

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Cambridge Health Alliance named top hospital in Massachusetts for health equity

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), a community health system serving Cambridge, Somerville and Boston's metro-north communities, has been ranked as the number one hospital in Massachusetts (with an A grade) for Health Equity by the Lown Institute, a nonpartisan healthcare think tank.

The Lown Institute Hospitals Index examined more than 3,600 hospitals using 54 metrics to evaluate equity, value and patient outcomes. This

included data-driven assessments of community benefit spending, pay equity, inclusivity, avoiding overuse, cost efficiency, clinical outcomes, patient safety, and patient satisfaction.

The Health Equity rankings look at the key domains of Pay Equity, Community Benefit and Inclusivity. This includes the difference in compensation of hospital executives compared to healthcare workers without advanced degrees, the

extent of hospital spending in community health, and the extent to which patients being served are demographically similar to those in the surrounding community. In addition to top honors for Health Equity, CHA earned A grades for "Inclusivity" (named the number two hospital in Massachusetts in this metric), "Social Responsibility," "Community Benefit," "Value of Care," and "Avoiding Overuse."

"Health equity is at the heart of our organizational

mission and is foundational to our vision of achieving equity and excellence for everyone, every time," said Assaad Sayah, MD, CEO of Cambridge Health Alliance. "This recognition validates that we are making a difference in the health of our patients and helping build a society where all our neighbors have access to outstanding health care, regardless of their backgrounds or needs."

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Bernard Lown, MD, developer of the defibrillator and cardioverter, the Lown Institute believes that a radically better system of health is possible and generates bold ideas towards that goal. The Lown Hospitals Index, a signature project of the Institute, is the first ranking to assess the social responsibility of U.S. hospitals by applying measures never used before like racial inclusivity, avoidance of overuse, and pay equity.

• National Social Re-

sponsibility Grade: A
 • National Health Equity Grade: A
 • Top 100 in the Nation for Health Equity
 • National Value of Care Grade: A
 • National Community Benefit Grade: A
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veterans for their service, and gave thanks for trials and tribulations because they strengthen faith, and teach perseverance. Pastor Tim Bogertman, who enjoyed greeting neighbors and friends at each table, led a prayer in thanks for fellowship, volunteering servers, and the turkey meal.



Patty and Eddie.



Jean Fullar and Don Hill.



Thomas Miller, Chelsea Soldiers Home veteran, Pamela M. Blyakhman, and Fawn Bent.



Carl Mucci, a parishioner since 1979, speaking with Pastor Tim Bogertman.



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