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## NEWS BRIEFS

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The First Congregational Church (230 Beach Street, Revere), will hold a Candlelight Christmas Eve service on Saturday, December 24 at 4 p.m.

They will also be holding a service at 10 a.m. on Christmas morning. Everyone is welcome to celebrate.

### FUEL ASSISTANCE BENEFIT LEVELS INCREASED TO \$2,200

At the urging of ABCD and other Community Action Agencies, more LIHEAP funding is now available to people in need this winter. The maximum benefit level has been increased to \$2,200, from \$1,600 which will help

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**TRASH DELAY**

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### MENORAH CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY



The City of Revere held a menorah candle lighting ceremony in observance of the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah Tuesday on the City Hall lawn. Pictured at the ceremony are, from left, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Rabbi Lior Nevo of the Jack Satter House, Rabbi Sruli Baron of Tobin Bridge Chabad, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, School Committee member John Kingston, School Committee member Michael Ferrante, Ward 6 Councilor Richard Serino, Northeast Regional School Committee member Anthony Caggiano, and Ward 5 Councilor John Powers.

### SINGING SENIORS



During Monday's council meeting the Singing Seniors, from the Adult Center, were awarded certificates for all the good cheer they spread.

## Revere's Dog Lady, Lisa Cutting, thankful for another year helping animals

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Nestled off of North Shore Road, along the

Saugus River, you will find a building that has become a safe haven for local animals. Many Re-

vere residents are familiar with it and its owner, Lisa Cutting.

Known as the "Dog Lady", Lisa takes in the city's lost and vulnerable animals until they can be reunited with their families or be placed in loving homes.

"What means the most to me is I am blessed to say I had another year to support our community and give every dog a warm place to lay their paws. This past year has been very difficult with the severe abuse cases, abandoned dogs, and suicides with animals left to fend for themselves."

Cutting has been battling her own illness for the past 17 months. "These animals have given me a purpose even on my lowest days. I have watched them strive and become confident, healthy, and socialized animals. I can say they all have found homes. I am now on round three of chemo with fluid in the brain. The animals give me strength and hope that things do get better and to always keep fight-

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## City hosts online opioid forum in wake of drug discovery at high school

By Adam Swift

The city and school department held an online forum on fentanyl and opioid use Monday night, spurred in part by the discovery of a small baggie of powdered drugs at Revere High School earlier this month.

Initial test results showed the powder to contain MDMA and ketamine, and the Revere Police Department is awaiting state lab test results to determine if there was fentanyl in the mix of drugs.

During the forum, several local and state experts discussed the statistics for fentanyl and opioid use by young people, and discussed ways to talk about drugs with young people and help prevent overdose deaths.

"I did speak with the (police) chief again today, and he said the tests

are still not back from the state lab," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly. "He said it could take several months, as the state lab is backed up with testing demands. As students and parents know, we did work with local law enforcement to have the drug dogs and the firearm dogs do a sweep of the school, just to see where we are, and that happened last Thursday."

While no drugs were discovered, Kelly said there were a few areas of concern where the dogs caught the scent of marijuana in a locker or backpack. She said those concerns would be addressed with the individual students and their families.

Revere High Principal Chris Bowen said the incident does provide an opportunity for the schools

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## Gov. Baker signs Firefighter Bill spearheaded by RFD Captain Kevin O'Hara

By Melissa Moore-Randall

On December 13, Governor Charlie Baker signed House Bill 4278 into law. The bill that was spearheaded by Revere Fire Department Captain Kevin O'Hara who is the President of the Revere Firefighters Local 926 will provide creditable service for Revere Fire Department personnel in the City of Revere including 65 Revere firefighters who will have their Reserve Time reinstated. The time was wrongly taken away from them by PER-



Revere Fire Captain and President of Firefighters Local 926 Kevin O'Hara.

AC's misinterpretation of a ruling that took place in 2020.

According to President O'Hara, "On February

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## Traffic study is underway for Malden Street-Squire Road

By Journal Staff

The Revere Traffic Commission held a brief but productive meeting last Thursday evening in the City Council Chamber.

Chairman Paul Argenzio and fellow commissioners Police Chief David Callahan, City Planner Frank Stringi, City Engineer Nick Rysstrom, and Fire Chief Chris Bright were in attendance.

Argenzio began the

meeting by noting that the equipment for the much-anticipated traffic study for the grid of streets between Malden St. and Squire Rd. has been installed. He said that if the traffic study is concluded this month and if the hired consultants are available, the commission will take up the matter at its next meeting on Tuesday, January 3.

The commission then conducted public hearings

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

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

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

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

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

Although all of us celebrate the holiday season in our own way, the common thread is one of peace, joy, and happiness, regardless of religious or secular beliefs. Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or a Seinfeldian Festivus, the spirit of the season imbues us with a sense of togetherness that transcends whatever negativity may exist both in our own lives and in the world around us.

We wish all of our readers a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

## CONGRATULATIONS, TOM AMBROSINO

We wish to offer our congratulations to our former mayor, Tom Ambrosino, who was named last week to the position of Chief Administrator of the Massachusetts Trial Courts by the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court (SJC).

Tom served as our mayor for 12 years from 2000-2012 before stepping down to take a post as the Executive Director of the SJC for three years, and then becoming the City Manager in neighboring Chelsea for the past seven years.

Tom Ambrosino's 12 years as our mayor was marked by incredible progress in our city and laid the groundwork for the transformation of Revere that is occurring today.

During his tenures as the mayor of Revere and the City Manager of Chelsea, Tom was universally recognized as among the top municipal leaders in our state. We always believed that, had he been so inclined, Tom Ambrosino would have been a great governor.

That the SJC decided to bring Tom back into the court system as its highest-ranking administrator speaks volumes to the faith that the justices have in his abilities.

We know we join with all of our fellow residents in wishing Tom the best in this next chapter of his life.

## A GREAT WORLD CUP

We don't pretend to be big soccer fans, but even we were caught up in the excitement and the drama of the World Cup, which reached its climax this past Sunday with the exciting and exhilarating victory by Argentina in a shoot-out over defending champion France.

As long-time Boston sports rooters, we know of the passion that we and our fellow fans have for our local teams. But our enthusiasm does not even come close to that of World Cup fandom for their heroes.

The raw emotion among the fans in the stands, their raucous celebrations in the streets back home, and the individual stories of fans who traveled thousands of miles (and who spent their life savings) just to be on hand were epic.

Moreover, it was a World Cup for everyone, including the U.S., which qualified for the cup for the first time in eight years and made it through the knockout round, but especially for the fans of underdog Morocco, which became the first team from Africa and the Arab world to reach the semifinals of the World Cup.

At a time when there is so much misery and conflict in our world, the World Cup brought nations together as no other event can and we were happy to join in the world-wide celebration and joy that it brought over the past few weeks.



## GUEST OP-ED

### Light and Strength for Christmas

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

When I was a child at Tomahawk Elementary School in Martin County, Kentucky there were many kids who got little to nothing for Christmas. I had classmates who I would never ask if they got anything for Christmas because I already knew the answer. Some of these kids were just glad to be in school. At school they could receive a free lunch and have access to a bathroom which they didn't have at home. This also meant they could wash their faces and their hands which was difficult at home especially in the winter months. While most of us didn't have much, what we did have seemed like a lot to those who had nothing.

This is where you need to stop and think. You stress about all you may not have but what do you have in comparison to those who have nothing?

ing? Do you have a place to sleep? Do you have a comfortable bed? Is your house or apartment warm and comfortable? Do you know you will have food to eat on Christmas day? Do you have a television to watch? Do you have a telephone? Do you have a few dollars in your pocket?

I'm very aware there are millions of Americans who are below the financial income poverty level. They have it tough. Our cities are filled with growing numbers of homeless populations. People are sleeping under bridges, overpasses and on riverbanks. Too many of these have met with unfortunate circumstances in life due to bad choices, addictions, unemployment, mental illness, and family issues. The list is never-ending. This doesn't make their lives any easier. Just because there is a reason for the problems doesn't make their burdens light-

er or unnoticeable. Their reality is still harsh and painful.

Millions more immigrants are coming to America. Where will they sleep? Where will they work? Many of them will work for \$8 an hour and work hard but many of them will be homeless or stranded in homeless shelters on government dependence for a long time. Would any of us want to trade places with them? I don't think so.

Whatever darkness you are facing this Christmas is your reality. Seeing the hurts of others doesn't make your troubles go away. However, if you can be thankful for the life you have, then maybe Christmas will take on a whole new light.

Look to the most special gift of all this Christmas – the baby in the manger. Shepherds raced to see the baby just as the angels said they would. Wise men came from the

east and worshipped him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Mary and Joseph did the best they could as peasant parents of a new baby boy.

Keep the scripture of Isaiah 9:6 handy this Christmas. "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

May His peace comfort your heart and be your light and strength through this season and every day to come.

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.

## LETTER to the Editor

### GOD'S GIFT TO US

Christmas is a celebration that occurs all over the world. Different traditions make the celebration unique for each culture. But the one common fact is that they all celebrate the birthday of the Son of God who came down to humanity and relinquished for a short time His glory and took on human flesh. He is Emmanuel, God with us.

Up until this time, God spoke to mankind through the prophets. But at the appointed time in history, when the Hellenistic Era imposed a common language, and the Roman Empire ruled the known world, a babe born of a

virgin in the town of Bethlehem came, predicted by prophets some 400 years prior. His name is Jesus.

Jesus came to die for the SIN of mankind. The babe in the feeding trough would grow up and live an extraordinary life. He would teach and do many miracles that gave proof of His authority over Nature, Physical Matter, Life and Death. He would suffer cruel punishment, die a bloody death on a Roman cross, be buried for three days, then rise from the grave alive bodily.

If no Resurrection, Jesus would have been just another Jewish baby born in obscurity. But because of His Life, Death, Burial and Resurrection, we cel-

brate His first coming at Christmas.

God's gift brings Hope and true Freedom and Peace to hurting human hearts. Won't you accept God's tender gift and invite Him into your heart this Christmas?

**Lucia Hunter**

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## MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES TO BE PAID IN FULL TOMORROW

### Wage Donations of Teachers to be Lower in New Budget

In a move to aid the school-teachers of Revere and give them something near a living wage, it is understood that the School Committee will recommend a return to the teachers of half of the existing 20 per cent salary cut when the 1934 budget is presented to Mayor Andrew A. Cassassa.

For the past few weeks the committee meetings have included a discussion of the forthcoming budget and much work has been accomplished towards the 1934 appropriations.

It is understood that practically every member of the School Board is in favor of the more lenient salary reduction and that the budget will go through with a notation and appropriation to that effect.

The reduction of 20 per cent was put into force last year. For the year preceding, the teachers had relinquished 10 per cent of their salaries. All the wage cuts have been entered into on a contributing basis so that the basic salaries of the teachers still stands.

Through consolidation of classes and other economy methods, the number of teachers has been reduced during the past year. Living conditions have been increasing steadily and the members of the school committee took this into consideration in discussing their status under the new budget.

Whether Mayor Cassassa will approve of the increase or not is unknown, but it is thought that he will take a favorable attitude towards it. The entire school committee budget, it is said, will not be above that of last year and few important changes are expected.

### CHASE VICTIM OF FIRST CWA ACCIDENT HERE

The first serious accident to a CWA worker was reported Wednesday as Frank Chase, 48, of Ford Street, this city, was rushed to the Chelsea Marine Hospital after plunging from a staging on which he was working at the Bradstreet Avenue School.

According to police reports of the incident, Chase was on the staging which was formed with a 10 foot wooden plank supported by a painter's trussel and an 8 foot step-ladder. It was decided to change the staging to another section of the class-room, used by the eighth grade, and Chase started to come down from his perch, a bucket in his hand.

He fell from one of the top rungs of the step-ladder and struck a child's desk with such force that it was

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### Chauffeur for Sick Now Ailing Himself

Percival R. "Pete" Hartley, 105 Eustis Street, member of the Revere Fire Department, ambulance driver, and popularly known as "the man who takes sick people to the hospital," has himself been on sick leave since last Monday.

He is convalescing at home, confined to bed with a heavy cold, and is to remain in bed for a week on doctor's orders. Many of "Pete's" friends have visited him, wishing him speedy recovery.

Some of "Pete's" cronies state that he has seen so many sick people in the past few months that his own illness is a matter of imagination, but Hartley says "temperatures don't lie."

### BRILLIANCY OF SEASON LACKING, SPIRIT PRESENT

### Christmas Decorations Below Former Displays; Sales Reported Slow

Although the usual brilliant lighting effects of Christmas are not in such profusion as in past years, the Christmas spirit has invaded Revere and a merry holiday is forecast.

The awards for decorated homes were again withheld this year, which accounts, in part, for the comparatively few illuminated residences.

Children have their usual expectant attitude and are on their annual period of "good behavior," preparing for the visit of Santa Claus. To minimize disappointments, charitable and civic groups throughout the city have been conducting parties for the past few weeks in an effort to provide a bit of Christmas joy in the homes of many unfortunate.

Most of the parties and other events have been successful, although the results obtained are not as great as those of previous years, it is said.

Merchants have reported an increase in sales due to the coming holiday.

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### ARRESTS NOT INCREASED BY LEGAL LIQUOR

Residents of Revere are using, but not abusing, their new freedom obtained with repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment two weeks ago, according to police figures and observation on the streets of the city.

The full quota of local licenses has been exhausted and the establishments where liquor is sold are said to be orderly and cause of little complaint.

No increase in drunkenness has been noted over the weeks preceding repeal. Many of those arrested since hard liquor was made legal here are old offenders who have been imbibing "home-made" beverages.

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### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

"Times change; man's old customs are cast off and his outward habitations are made new. The Bethlehem in which Christ was born would seem uncouth to us. But man's inmost nature and deepest wants change little. Still peace on earth is humanity's great need and goodwill in human hearts the only road to happiness and brotherhood. Still the old music of the Christmas song lures us from trivial and transient things that change to the abiding beauties of the spirit which are the same in every generation."

—Harry Emerson Fosdick

To the citizens of Revere and the supporters of the REVERE JOURNAL we offer our humble but earnest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. . . . .

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### Banks Extend \$100,000 Loan After Week of Urgent Pleas

### Treasurer's Force Works to Get Payroll Into Shape for Distribution—Merry Christmas Looms—Loan Came After Hectic Negotiations with Financiers.

Members of Revere's City Council wound up the last council meeting of the year Monday night by clearing up a host of outstanding motions which had been referred to various committees, and by passing an appropriation for \$20,000 for the use of the Welfare Department.

The matter of the appropriation was brought up a week ago but was ordered laid on the table for one week after an objection by Councilman George Foley. At Monday night's meeting the item was again brought before the Council and President George E. Lund relinquished his chair to take the floor.

Lund related details of a conference he had during the past week with a member of the State Emergency Finance Board. The result of the conference was advice to appropriate the \$20,000, which money will be obtained from the state through the Tax Title Act.

A vote was taken on the appropriation and it was ordered accepted and adopted on a roll call under the suspension of rules, eight Councilmen in the affirmative, and Councilman Reinstein voting "yes" with the following statement:

"That the control of the transferring of this appropriation is to remain with the Emergency Finance Board as per the statements made relative to same."

Action was also taken on the report of the Standing Committee on Finance favoring the transfer of the sum of \$325 from the Salary Account of the Police Department to the Fuel and Light account. This item was originally brought before the Council on December 4 and was continued from time to time as Councilmen investigated it. It was passed on the third reading.

Action in the discontent engendered locally by the administering of CWA berths here came to a climax with the appearance before the Council of Joseph Waggerman, 123 Campbell Avenue and Mr. Schallman of Ward 1.

Waggerman talked regarding the placing of citizens on the CWA work. He claimed he was a citizen and that no work had been given him as a painter. He was also a veteran, he said. He claimed that several aliens had been given work in preference to him and that there are four or five aliens working in the City Hall. He has no children, he said, but has a dependent wife.

Councilman Michael Morelli moved that Waggerman obtain the names of the aliens he claimed were working on the CWA and report to a committee of three to be appointed by the Chair. This motion was declared ordered.

Schallman requested information on complaints that single men and men with property are given work in preference to married men with families. Councilmen Reinstein and Foley moved that the committee of three appointed by the Chair to hear Waggerman's complaint be further empowered to accept all complaints based on fact and report same to the Council, and this motion was also passed.

The committee appointed by President Lund includes Councilmen Frederick Reinstein, George Foley and Thomas U. Kelley.

This group will listen to the complaints and will report to the Council members at the meeting on January 8, 1934.

Complete Council Meeting report will be found on page six.

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### \$20,000 Item Passed, CWA is Discussed at Final Meeting

December 23rd, 1933.

TO THE CITIZENS OF REVERE:

The year 1933 is passing and we are preparing to greet a new year. During the past year we have witnessed conditions and events unprecedented in the history of this country. The new year now before us gives promise of work for many and a return to more prosperous times. Let us face the new year with optimism and faith. May it bring each one of you health, happiness and prosperity. Both Mrs. Cassassa and I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ANDREW A. CASSASSA, Mayor.

### REVERE TRUST NOW PAYING P. C. DIVIDENDS

### RFC Loan Provides Cash; Total of \$181,000 Will Be Distributed

Following a loan through the reconstruction Finance Corporation, negotiated by John W. Corcoran, liquidating agent of the Revere Trust

Following a loan through the Re-Trust Company, a 20 per cent dividend is being paid depositors of the local institution, first payments having been made this morning.

Altogether, approximately \$181,000 will be distributed. This is the third dividend payment to be made since the institution closed two years ago, and it brings the total up to 45 per cent.

It is estimated that nearly 8,000 depositors will benefit by the dividend.

The loan came after the Supreme Judicial Court authorized the payment of the added dividend to Savings Department depositors on December 1. All loans granted by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation are made principally on mortgages held by the Savings departments of the trust companies.

Payments started at the Revere

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### CHURCH LEADS COP MARKSMEN AT SERIES END

Sergt. Dominic Church and Patrolman Larry Dugan of the Revere Police are leading their police revolver team at the end of the first series, which came to a close Wednesday night.

Church with a 90 and 92 holds the highest score for 20 shots with his total of 182. Dugan gave a fine exhibition Wednesday night with a single string of 95 out of a possible hundred. This was his second string. On his first he knocked off an 85 which gave him a total of 180.

The team total for this week's shoot is 681 which is the best the aggregation has as yet hung up. The score may mean an advance in the standing of the New England Police Revolver League for the local gendarmes.

Complete scores for Wednesday's shoot follow:

Sergt. Church	90	92	182
Sergt. Tracy	79	81	160
Patrolman Dugan	85	95	180
Patrolman Gallo	80	73	153
Patrolman Roach	76	83	159

Sidney Price and Vincent Nelson are students at Boston University Night School classes.

### CHRISTMAS DANGEROUS CHIEF SAYS

### McCarick Issues List of "Don'ts" for Safe Holiday

As the Christmas holidays draw near, Chief McCarick reminds us of precautions that should be taken to insure the fullest enjoyment of these festivities which so universally center around the home.

First of all, to quote from suggestions of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, the Christmas tree should be placed several feet away from any heating or lighting fixtures and fastened securely so it can not topple over. Lighted candles, even in this age of electricity, sometimes are used as ornaments on trees and in windows, but since this is a hazardous practice it should never be permitted. Many children and adults have been burnt to death in fires originating in this way. Strings of miniature electric bulbs are far better and safer, but care should be exercised in their use, for short circuits and contacts for hot bulbs with flimsy ornaments are likely to start fires.

Ornaments that are either slow

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# 2022 Christmas Kids



Merry Christmas Anthony & Julianna Merlina



Christopher, Vincent & Salvatore



Paul & Jill Restuccia with daughter Riley and santa



LDB



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Riley Restuccia & Santa



The Durbanos



The Ternullo Family



Joe, Maria, Elijah



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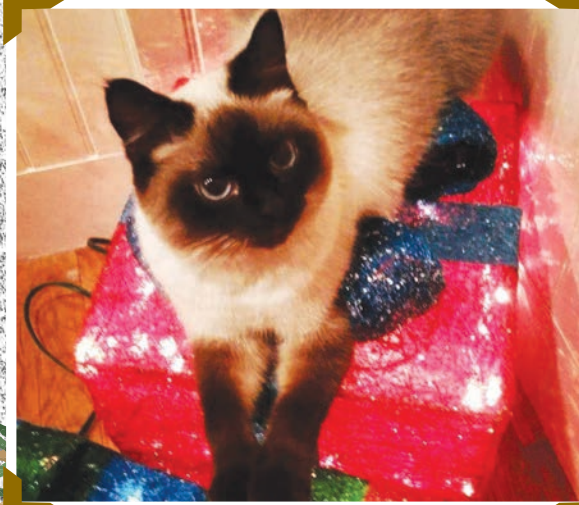
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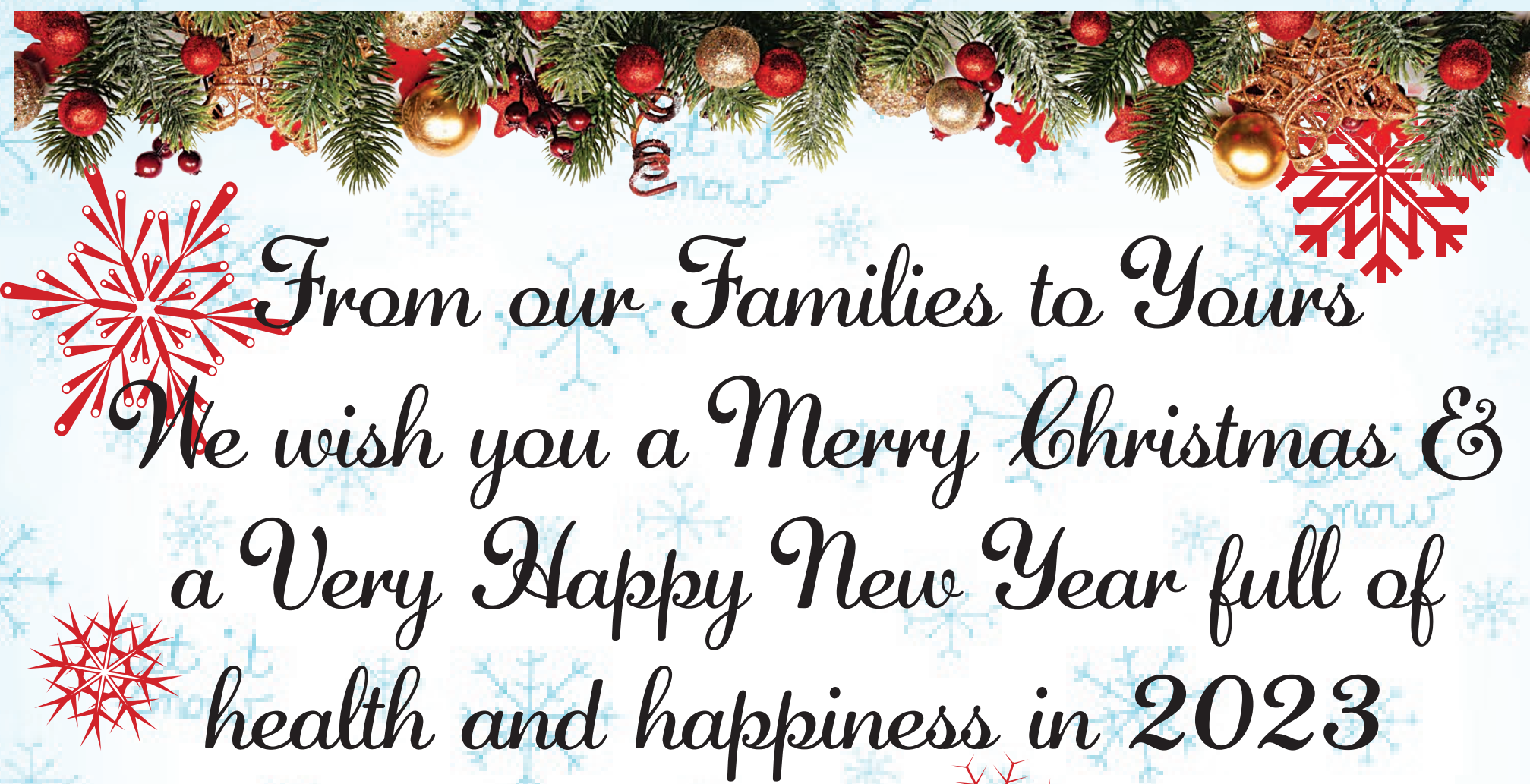


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# Former Mayor Ambrosino selected as Court Administrator

By Adam Swift

Former Revere Mayor and current Chelsea City Manager Thomas Ambrosino has been selected as the next Court Administrator of the Trial Court in Massachusetts by the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Ambrosino served as mayor in Revere for over a decade, first defeating four-term Mayor Robert Haas in 1999.

In 2012, Ambrosino was hired as the executive director of the Supreme Judicial Court, and in 2015, he was selected by the Chelsea City Council to replace Jay Ash as City Manager.

"We are so pleased to appoint Tom Ambrosino as Court Administrator," said Supreme Judicial Court Chief Justice Kim-



Former Revere Mayor and current Chelsea City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

berly Budd. "Tom is an experienced leader who has managed public sector entities with vision, professionalism, and compassion. We are excited that he will bring his many talents to the court system."

Ambrosino will begin his new position on Jan. 30 of next year, where he

will succeed John Bello, who will leave the position at the end of the year.

"During the time that I worked at the SJC, one of my roles was to assist the Chief Justice in helping to onboard the inaugural Court Administrator, and I saw what a significant impact the position has," said Ambrosino. "I now look forward to working with Chief Justice Locke and having the opportunity to advance the courts' efforts to deliver justice with dignity and speed."

Locke said that he is confident that together, he and Ambrosino will continue to grow the capabilities of the Trial Court and build upon recent successes in using technologies and improving operations.

The Massachusetts Court Administrator co-leads the Trial Court, the

largest component of the Massachusetts Judicial Branch with seven court departments and over 6,000 employees, across 94 courthouses throughout the Commonwealth. The position of Court Administrator for the Massachusetts Trial Court was created by court management legislation enacted in 2011.

Working together with the Chief Justice of the Trial Court, the Court Administrator is responsible for shaping administrative functions that support the Trial Court's delivery of justice to the people of Massachusetts. Duties include budget preparation and oversight, labor relations, information technology, capital projects, security, and personnel policy.

# Local leaders laud Ambrosino's service in city government

By Cary Shuman

Community leaders in Revere and Chelsea lauded Tom Ambrosino for his outstanding service in city government and offered their congratulations to him on his appointment as Massachusetts Trial Court Administrator.

Ambrosino will be stepping down as Chelsea City Manager on Jan. 13 after serving seven-and-a-half years in the top administrative position in Chelsea.

Following are local officials' comments:

## Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo

"I am proud to see Tom Ambrosino move onto this new chapter in his career. "Tom has left a lasting legacy in the City of Revere which was moved into Chelsea, and now he has the opportunity to make an even larger imprint with this new role. Congratulation to Tom on a job well done."

## Councillor-at-Large and former Mayor Dan Rizzo

"Tom is extremely well

qualified for this position. He's been an administrator in the Mass. court system before, and he's familiar with its operations, and I'm sure he'll do a great job. He should certainly be proud of the work he did in Chelsea. Being a city manager or a chief executive officer in any community is not an easy job, especially when you're talking about urban gateway cities, they have their own unique sets of challenges. And Tom rose to them, both in Revere and Chelsea, and I wish him well in his new position."

## Revere Councilor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto

"I congratulate Tom on his new position and wish him the best. I'm very happy for Tom. He's a first-class, honest, decent, hard-working individual who is eminently qualified for this job. Everywhere he goes, he makes a difference. He made a difference in Revere. He made a difference in Chelsea. And he'll make a differ-

ence as the administrator of the Massachusetts Trial Court."

## State Rep. Jessica Giannino

"I wish Tom all the best in his future endeavors as chief administrator of the Mass Trial Courts. I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Tom as he led both the city of Revere and Chelsea with integrity and perseverance, and I know he will continue to do the same in his new role."

## State Rep. Jeff Turco

"I applaud the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court to hire Tom Ambrosino as the next Trial Court Administrator," said Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco (D-Winthrop). "Tom is a respected leader and administrator, with unquestioned integrity, who will be a driving force for the important reform work of the Massachusetts Trial Court. The Court's gain is certainly Chelsea's loss."

## Former Chelsea City Manager Jay Ash

"I'm so grateful to

Tom for his great leadership and collaboration he has exhibited as City Manager. Chelsea has benefited from his vision and stewardship and has become an even more vibrant and livable community for all. I especially admire him for all he did for the residents of Chelsea during the pandemic, and for the example he has set for integrity and accomplishment in office."

## GreenRoots Exec. Dir. Roseann Bongiovanni

"Tom has been a steady, strategic, and community-minded city manager over the past, almost eight years. The pandemic challenged us all, but as the leader of one of the most impacted cities in the nation, Tom led with integrity and empathy. I feel honored to have worked closely with Tom over the past several years and congratulate him on his future endeavors.

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struggling families, individuals and elders to make it through the harsh winter season. ABCD continues to accept new applications for Fuel Assistance and encourages everyone to explore the potential for assistance.

Residents are urged to see if they meet the guidelines for the increased benefit. The program will run through April 30, 2030.

Residents of Boston, Brookline or Newton can apply by calling at 617-357-6012. Residents of Malden, Medford, Everett, Winchester, Melrose, Woburn or Stoneham can call 781-322-6284. Visit [bostonabcd.org/heat](http://bostonabcd.org/heat) for information about ABCD's Fuel Assistance Program including a listing of neighborhood centers.

Application assistance

is available in-person by appointment at all ABCD neighborhood centers including:

ABCD Central Office; ABCD Roslindale; Allston/Brighton Neighborhood Opportunity Center; Brookline Fuel Assistance; Chinatown; Dorchester Neighborhood Service Center; East Boston; John F. Kennedy Center; Mattapan Family Ser-

vice Center; Mystic Valley Opportunity Center; Newton Fuel Assistance; North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center; Parker Hill/Fenway Neighborhood Service Center; Roxbury/North Dorchester Neighborhood Opportunity Center; South Boston Action Center and the South End Neighborhood Service Center.

# Cutting // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ing. That's what our rescues have done and have shown me to be just like them."

Cutting is grateful to be a part of the Revere community with her children and business. "We may have provided a service, but they have provided us with so much more, and that we will forever be grateful and blessed. Thank you to the Revere community who have sup-

ported us and donated to all the animals throughout this past year. Without the community we wouldn't be able to continue."

Donations are greatly appreciated including dog food like Nutramax lamb and rice, treats, toys and blankets. You can also make a monetary donation through Venmo @Lisa-Cutting-17.

"These dogs deserve the best life they can un-

til they find their forever home. I've had two of them living at the kennel with who one has been here a year, and the other one who has been here 2 years. I will never give up on them, added Cutting"

Ocean View Kennel of-

fers boarding, grooming, and day care. If you would like more information about pet services or want to make a donation to the kennel, you may visit Lisa at Ocean View Kennel which is located at 705 North Shore Road.

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# Kevin O'Hara // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

20, 2020, the State Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission issued PERAC Memo #11/2020, interpreting the SJC's ruling which stripped the credible service that Revere Firefighters earned going back to June 30, 2009. This new bill would allow the Revere Retirement Board the authorization to provide creditable service for so-called "Reserve Time" to certain public safety personnel in the City of Revere. It will be in the same manner as it was allowed prior to the issuance of PERAC Memo #11/2020 regardless of the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary. The change would be available to any member of the Revere Fire Department who was a member of the Revere Retirement System on or before February 11, 2020."

"PERAC misinterpretation of this ruling stripped our brothers and sisters. They grouped Reserve Firefighters in with this ruling which was wrong. Imagine after 12 years of planning and preparing for retirement, PERAC decides to strip the time

earned from these individuals? It was simply wrong. I always tell our Brothers and Sisters that the longer you stay in this profession the odds start working against you both mentally and physically. Your chances of behavioral health issues increase, constantly getting exposed to certain types of carcinogens which affect your body over the years, heart and lung issues, etc. So getting back the time was crucial."

President O'Hara would like to thank State Representative Jessica Giannino who led the charge, State Representative Jeff Turco, who assisted in rewriting the bill halfway through the process, Senator Lydia Edwards, The Revere City Council, and Mayor Brian Arrigo.

"The odds were against us. For three years, we fought this and were told we couldn't win. Firefighters are constantly fighting for something because we are so used to things being taken away from us. That is why we always stand up and fight for what we believe is earned and owed to us," added O'Hara.



Happy Holidays from RevereTV! In a new episode of "Focus on Health," you can learn how to turn a classic breakfast favorite into a healthier meal without much notice! Revere's Director of Public Health, Lauren Buck, was in the RevereTV Kitchen studio with Board of Health Clerk, Hajar Bichou, to make pancakes and toppings with no added sugar. This was a healthier take on a fan favorite just in time for the holidays. Watch "Focus on Health," at your convenience on YouTube, or scheduled at various times over the next month on the RTV Community Channel.

While you're on the cooking show trend, tune in to the latest episode of "What's Cooking, Revere?" This is a special program produced by RevereTV to highlight volunteer members of our community that are willing to share recipes with all of us. Alvaro Garcia and Alex Herrera, chefs and co-owners of Valsos Table and Bar on Shirley Ave., demonstrated how to make Rigatoni Bolognese. This meal is a traditional meat sauce made with fresh root vegetables, pancetta, veal, pork, and beef. Watch this episode on the Community Channel for a preview of a popular menu item at Valsos. It is also available to watch now on YouTube.

The City of Revere's Menorah Lighting took place this week as Hanukkah began! RevereTV covered the event that happens every year on the lawn of City Hall. Watch it now on the Community Channel and YouTube. You will also find coverage there from the Winter Fest and the Christmas Tree Lighting that took place earlier this month.

The Game of the Week this week was Revere High School Boys Basketball versus Lynn Classical on Tuesday night. The game streamed live on the Community Channel, Facebook, and YouTube. RevereTV will be covering one game per week this winter season, but will also switch back and forth between the Girls and Boys Basketball teams. Replays of the Game of the Week will be scheduled on the RTV Community Channel.

The past few weeks have been busy with municipal meetings leading into this short holiday break. The Revere City Council held a meeting almost every Monday this month and RTV aired all of them live on RTV GOV. Meetings also included the Commission on Disabilities, the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee, the Traffic Commission, the Public Art Commission, the License Commission, and the Board of Health. Last Monday, Revere Public Schools held a special Community Meeting about Opioids and Fentanyl, which took place over Zoom. All government meetings at City Hall air live on their scheduled date on TV and YouTube, and then replay on RTV GOV over the following few weeks. Check out RevereTV's YouTube page to watch recordings of meetings at any time



# OBITUARIES

## James Mantia II

His love for life was contagious and he adored travel, food and his family

James “Jamie” P. Mantia II of Revere passed away unexpectedly on December 16 at the age of 49.

He was born July 12, 1973 to his loving parents, James P. Mantia and Theodora J. (Palermo) and is survived by his beloved girlfriend, Farrah Forte of Saugus and her children, Lorenzo, Tia, and Luke Keegan. He was the dear brother of Doreen Steele of Revere, Jodi Mantia of Lynnfield and Deanne Mantia of East Boston and is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jamie's love for life was contagious and he adored nothing more than travel, food and his family. Jamie treated his nieces and nephews (Nicole, Jenn, Chris, BJ, Brandon, Sienna, Saige, Christopher, Theresa, Lucy and Isla) as if they were his own. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.



A visitation hour will be held today, Wednesday, at 10 a.m. at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church in Revere at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Private interment.

In lieu of flowers, during this holiday season, we encourage you to make a charitable contribution to an organization that helps children in need. For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com).

## Aileen Swartz

Of Haverhill, formerly of Revere and Winthrop

Aileen A. (Kaplan) Swartz, 92, of Haverhill and formerly of Revere and Winthrop passed away with family at her side on December 10, two years to the day after her beloved husband of 72 years, Elliot.

She was the dear mother of

Larry and Lauren Swartz, Karen and Dermot Anderson and Nancy Langevin and her late husband, Bill; loving daughter of Israel “John” and Lillian (Gerstman) Kaplan; the dear sister of the late Gerold Kaplan and the late Janice and Allen Wilcon; loving grandma of Jon and Jeni Hayes and Beckett, Jonathan Swartz and his partner, Natasha Hensford, Matt Hayes, Ali and Jason Dreesen and Bella, Violet and Beau, Daniel Swartz, Jenna Swartz and her partner, Emily Patterson and Lena



Anderson and loving aunt to her nieces and nephews. Aileen also leaves her cherished cousins and treasured friends.

Private graveside services were held in Everett.

Contributions in Aileen's memory may be made to Brigham and Women's

Fellowship Program in Cardiology. For online guestbook, please visit the funeral home website, [www.torffuneralservice.com](http://www.torffuneralservice.com).

## Rosa DeNapoli

Loving and caring mother who put her family first

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Visiting Hours today, Wednesday, December 21 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Vazza's “Beechwood” Funeral Home, 262 Beach St., Revere for Rosa (Mauriello) DeNapoli who passed away peacefully in the presence of her loving family on Wednesday, December 14. She was 92 years young and two weeks short of her 93rd birthday. Her funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Thursday, December 22 beginning at 10 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere at 11 a.m. Entombment will immediately follow in Woodlawn Cemetery - Versailles Mausoleum, Everett.

Rosa was a native of Montefalcione, Italy where she was born and raised. She was educated in Italy where later she met and married her husband, Antonio.

The couple remained in Italy where they had two daughters. In 1961, as a family, they journeyed to the United States, settling in East Boston. They continued growing their family to five children. They moved Revere in 1981 where they have remained.

Rosa was known as a loving and caring mother who put her family first. She embraced her role as a wife, mother and matriarch of the family.



She was the beloved wife of 49 years of the late Antonio DeNapoli, loving mother of

Carolina DeNapoli Altomare and her husband, Mario, Cathy Ferro, Antonio DeNapoli and his wife, Maria, John DeNapoli and Rosa DeNapoli, all of Revere; cherished grandmother of Paul,

Michael, Anthony Ferro and Carlos and Maria; adored great grandmother of Michael Martins Ferro and Aofie and dear sister of the late Marie Damore, Concetta Noviello and Giuseppe Mauriello. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl. Memphis, TN 38105.

For online condolences and guestbook, please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

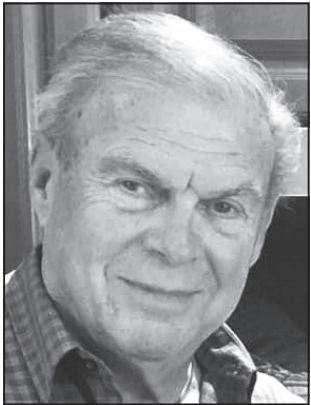
Funeral arrangements under the care & direction of Vazza's “Beechwood” Funeral Home.

## Robert Catinazzo Sr.

Of Revere

Robert S. Catinazzo Sr. of Revere passed away on December 16 at the age of 79.

Born in Boston on April 29, 1943 to the late Vincent and Norma (Sharp), he was the beloved husband of 56 years to Christine (Mingolla); devoted father of Robert “Bobby” S. Catinazzo, Jr. and his wife, Caroline of Saugus, Diane Catinazzo of Revere and Thomas Catinazzo and his wife, Kristina of Lynnfield; cherished grandfather of Kristina, Cameron, Sophia, and Lila; dear brother of Nicholas Catinazzo and his wife, Carolyn of Revere, Ronald Catinazzo and his significant other, Angela Boncore of Winthrop and the late James Catinazzo and his late wife, Kathy. He is also survived by many loving nieces and



nephews.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Robert's name to the Mesothelioma Research Foundation of America, 3011 Townsgate Road, Suite 450, Westlake Village, CA 91361 or at [www.mesorfa.org](http://www.mesorfa.org). For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com)

## Jeffrey Zajac

Taken tragically, he had a great passion for

life and people

Jeffrey W. Zajac, 51, was taken tragically on Saturday, November 5

while riding with the love of his life, his wife, Jessie in New Hampshire. A Funeral Service was held on Monday, December 19

in Vazza's “Beechwood” Funeral Home. Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett with military honors.

Jeff was born in Malden on February 10, 1971. He was raised in Malden, Everett, Chelsea and Revere and attended Northeast Regional Vocational High School where he studied Sheet Metal and later became a mechanic. Jeff was a natural at fixing and repairing things, especially automobiles.

Jeff enlisted in the United States Army, serving his country and then becoming a reservist. Most of Jeff's working career was spent as a mechanic, and he thoroughly enjoyed it.



He had a great passion for life and people. He was a great friend to many people, affectionately known to many as “Uncle Jeff.” He was a surrogate uncle to so many of his friends' children. He loved his motorcycle and loved riding. He was always very cautious and instructed many riders to always do the same.

Jeff was proud of being in the military and he also wanted to give back by being involved in an annual Wounded Veterans Bike Run.

Several years ago, Jeff met his best friend, soul mate and the love of his life, Jessica M. Edom. Jeff found out what true love was all about and genuine happiness. On August 8, 2022, he and Jessie got married on 8-8-22. They married on this day because of DOUBLE infinity. It was a special day for them. They had planned their reception for November 12th, the week before their tragic accident.

Jeff leaves behind so many people who loved him and much heartache.

He was the loving husband of Jessica M. Edom – Zajac of Shirley, the stepfather of Kaila Lane of Illinois, Amanda, Nicole and Kevin Kolodziej of Brentwood, NH; the cherished son of Paula V. Zajac and her companion, Richard Larsen of Revere and the late Bert Paquette; dear nephew of Robert Zajac of Shirley and Karen Zajac of Chelsea. He is also survived by many loving, caring and lifelong friends who have become family, including all of his riding friends.

Donations in Jeff's memory may be made to [www.theyfoughtweride.com](http://www.theyfoughtweride.com).

For online condolences and guestbook, please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

Funeral arrangements under the care and direction of Vazza's “Beechwood” Funeral Home.

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### Merry Christmas Puppy & Papa & Colm & Mason

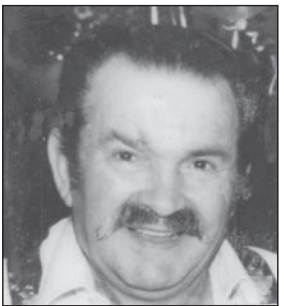


Our Christmas will again be filled with your blessing from above, Strength in our family and the love you share brings us all together again with memories of the special ways you cared.

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All our life  
The Cammarata & DiGregorio Families



### Buon Natale VINCENZO PREZIOSO



We all love you and we all miss you very much!  
Merry Christmas  
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& Great Grandchildren, Salvatore, Matteo, Sabrina,  
Gianni, John & baby Julius



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It has been ten years  
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Not a day goes by without you in my thoughts  
A single red rose to put on your resting place  
So that you know how much our love means to me  
I will keep you in my heart, as always and forever until  
Some day we are reunited for eternity.

With all my love,  
Your wife Carmela



To place a memoriam in the Revere Journal, please call 781-485-0588



## OBITUARIES

### Francis Pisano

MWRA Retiree

A Memorial Funeral Service was held on Saturday, December 17 in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals for Francis X. “Frank” Pisano who died on Thursday, November 24 at the Accent Care Hospice Center in Milton following a long battle with kidney disease. He was 69 years old.

Frank was born in Chelsea on December 19, 1952 to his late parents, Salvatore S. and Rose M. (Albano) Pisano.

He was raised and educated in Revere and was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1970. He went on to further his education at Salem State College where he earned his degree in History and a Certificate in Education. He began teaching History at Revere High School for several years and then switched careers to become a Purchasing Manager for Boston Water & Sewer Commission and later moved to MWRA where he worked for 20 years until he retired.

Frank was very much into staying fit and working out. He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose in Revere Lodge # 1272, where he played on the softball team, something he enjoyed a great deal. Frank also loved the beach, particularly Revere Beach. He enjoyed listening to music, and anyone who knew him, knew he was a Beatles fanatic. Above anything, Frank loved attending all of his nephews’ sporting events and then making a run to McDonalds with the boys.

He was a Friend of Bill W. and enjoyed helping



people in any way. He was a support and solid friend to many people and asked for nothing in return. He was faced with health challenges with Kidney Disease and wanted people to help advocate for the many who are also afflicted, so that may be there will be a cure to end the suffering.


He was the beloved son of the late Salvatore S. and Rose M. (Albano) Pisano, the loving brother of Cheryl T. Recupero and her husband, Genaro of Billerica and Stephen R. Pisano and his wife, Ann P. of Norwood; the cherished uncle (aka “Skuncle”) of Matthew S. Pisano and his fiancé, Caroline McCarthy of New York, Michael R. Pisano and his fiancé, Taylor Poirier of Providence, RI and Nicholas M. Recupero of Billerica. He is also lovingly survived by many cousins, friends and colleagues.

Donations in Frank’s memory may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 209 W. Central St. Ste 207, Natick, MA 01760. To send online condolences, please visit [www.vertuccioandsmith.com](http://www.vertuccioandsmith.com).

Funeral Arrangements entrusted to the care & direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals.

### Michael DiPlatzi, Jr.

Longtime Warehouse Manager

 Michael DiPlatzi, Jr., 69, of Winthrop, formerly of Revere, passed away at home on December 19 following a brief illness.

Michael proudly served his country as a Corporal in the US Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He spent many years working as a warehouse manager.

The son of the late Michael and Betty Jane (Confer) DiPlatzi, he was the beloved companion of Cheryl M. Pyne, devoted father of Michael W. DiPlatzi of North Reading, Angela DiPlatzi of Rhode Island and John DiPlatzi of Framingham; adored grandfather of Mikayla, Justin, Jonathan, Giovanni, Gianna, Jessica, Jacqueline, Kyle and Marissa and three great-grandchildren; dear brother of Leonard Glasser of Connecticut, Joseph DiPlatzi of Florida, Nicholas DiPlazi of Salem, Paul DiPlatzi of Peabody



and the late John Glasser and Helen Rose DiPlatzi. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

A visitation will be held in the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons ~ Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere today, Wednesday, December 21 from 3 to 6 p.m. A Prayer Service will follow at 6 p.m. Family and friends are kindly invited. Donations may be made in Michael’s memory to the American Cancer Society at [www.donate.cancer.org](http://www.donate.cancer.org).

To offer condolences or to share a memory, please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com)

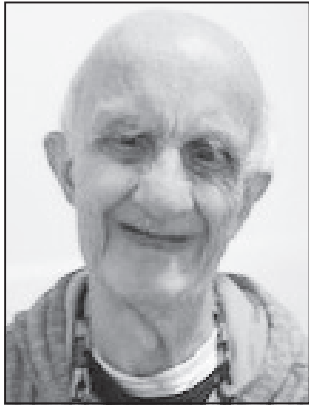
### Dominic Tufo

March 12, 1946 - December 13, 2022

Dominic Tufo of Revere passed away on December 13.

Born in Woodhouse, England on March 12, 1946 to the late Dominic and Doris (Bown), he was the loving brother of Linda Tartaglia and her husband, James of Worcester, Karen Tufo of Revere and Sharyn Lee and her husband, Robert Lee, Jr. of Maine; dear nephew of Henry Tufo of Revere, and Leo Tufo of Florida; beloved uncle of Britney Reardon, and Ivy and Joy Tartaglia.

A Private Service will



be held for immediate family. He will be truly missed by all who knew him.

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## Disabilities Commission holds regular meeting

By Journal Staff

The Revere Commission on Disabilities held a brief regular monthly meeting last Tuesday evening (December 13) via Zoom.

Chairman Ralph DeCicco and fellow commissioners Mario Grimanis, Asmaa Abou-Fouda, Robert Brown, Jason Barone, and new member Elie Pagan-Vargas were on hand for the meeting.

The meeting began with the introduction of Ms. Pagan-Vargas, who briefly informed the commissioners of her background as a long-time advocate and volunteer for spina bifida causes.

Brown presented an update on the recent events that were hosted by the Special Education Parents Advisory Council (SEPAC) of which Brown is the president.

SEPAC held a forum on Basic Rights on December 1, at which a representative from the Massachusetts Office of Disabilities was the main speaker. Brown also informed the commission that SEPAC’s Winter Wonderland party held this past Saturday was a big success.

"It was a great time," said Brown, "with a photo booth, a DJ, snacks, a bounce house, and activities for the kids."

DeCicco presented a synopsis of the CODA (Commissions on Disabilities Alliance) monthly Zoom meeting of December 7, which included: A discussion on finding win-win solutions when the first glance shows you’re in a conflict with another group’s cause; discussions and questions regarding local transportation options for people with disabilities that do not fall under the age require-

ments for their town’s senior center or the RIDE; and a discussion brought up by COD member from Newburyport regarding a resident who was ticketed for using an expired HP placard.

It also was elaborated that any street parking signage, such as a No Parking zone, needs to be followed regardless of having an HP placard. This brought further discussions around uses of Blue Placards for parking (and what to do when they expire).

Grimanis (who works for the Registry of Motor Vehicles) reminded viewers that the Mass. DOT’s Registry division is far behind on driver’s license renewals, which are taking up to four weeks to process.

DeCicco closed the meeting with the commission’s regular reminder:

"The Commission on Disabilities Office works remotely. Residents can speak to staff from our 311 Constituent Service Center Monday through Friday when you call our office at 781-286- 8267. They will be able to answer most questions but if they are unable to or if you would like a call back from our department, please ask to be transferred to the Disability offices voicemail and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

"As always, please let us know if you would like something discussed or brought up and added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can let us know if you would like to speak on any issue or concern. The Commission is here to help and assist all the disabled residents and families of Revere."

The commission's next meeting is set for Tuesday, January 10 via Zoom.

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on a number of items.

The first was a proposal to amend Schedule V of Title 10, One Way Streets, by adding Roosevelt St. & Revere St. as follows: Do Not Enter between 7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday from Revere Street to the Rear Parking Lot of the Paul Revere School.

Ward 3 City Councilor Anthony Cogliandro spoke in favor of the proposal.

"This is for the safety of students during drop-off and pick-up hours," Cogliandro said.

There were no opponents to the proposal. However, Ralph DeCicco informed the commissioners that the street in question was supposed to have been made one-way permanently when the school was constructed, which would have obviated the need for the current motion. He said all cars leaving the parking lot were supposed to make a right turn onto Roosevelt St. to get up to Revere St.

The commissioners voted to approved the motion as presented, but said they would take a look at making the road one-way permanently in the future with input from Councillor Cogliandro and his constituents.

The commission next took up an amendment that the following new and proposed residential developments shall be

included under Section 10.34.020(G) as non-eligible for residential parking stickers:

- 21 Revere Beach Blvd (127 Units)
- 320 Revere Beach Blvd (145 Units)
- 580 Revere Beach Blvd (357 Units)
- 50 Ocean Ave (73 Units)
- 90 Ocean Ave (75 Units)
- 646 Ocean Ave (213 Units)
- 656 Ocean Ave (230 Units)
- 1133 North Shore Road (20 Units)
- 1540 North Shore Road (14 Units)
- 94 Shirley Ave (27 Units)
- 43 Nahant Ave (30 Units)
- 177 Shirley Ave (18 Units)
- 180 Shirley Ave (45 Units)
- 57 Shirley Ave (18 Units)
- 207 Shirley Ave (43 Units)
- 191 Shirley Ave (50 Units)
- 60 Shirley Ave (45 Units)
- 13 Nahant Ave (38 Units)
- 257 Washington Ave (36 Units)
- 5 Washington Ave (16 Units)
- 810 Washington Ave (30 Units)
- 22 Whitin Ave. Extension (291 Units)
- 93 Bennington Street (114 Units)
- 344 Salem Street (25

Units)  
333 Lee Burbank Hwy (12 Units)  
791 Broadway (48 Units)

After approving this amendment with no discussion, the commission took up an amendment that the following new and proposed residential developments shall be removed under Section 10.34.020 Section (G) and (F) of Title 10 as non-eligible for residential parking stickers.

This amendment effectively does the opposite of the previous amendment by making residents of these buildings eligible for resident parking stickers:

- 154 Bradstreet Ave (20 Units)
- 300 Fenno Street (20 Units)
- 235 Revere Street (107 Units)

The commission approved this amendment without discussion.

The commission next approved a handicapped parking spot for 90 Kimball Avenue. DeCicco, who is the chair of the Commission on Disabilities, told the commission that the request meets all of the requirements for a handicapped parking space.

The commission took up an amendment to Schedule VIII of Title 10 – Parking Restrictions Generally -- by adding: Eastern Side of Lantern Road from Squire Road to Ward Street – NO PARKING

ANYTIME.

Cogliandro spoke on this amendment, telling the commissioners that the present situation creates safety issues for those exiting the parking lots of the Northgate Apartments, whose view of oncoming traffic is obstructed by parked vehicles on that side of the roadway.

He also noted that restricting parking to one side of the narrow, two-way road, will make it much easier for snow-plowing, as well as making the street more-accessible for fire apparatus.

The commission unanimously approved the

amendment.

The commission then paired two separate items that had been proposed by Ward 1 Councilor Joanne McKenna for stop signs at the intersection of Haddon and Vinal Sts.

McKenna sent an email in favor of the move. She said that Vinal St., which runs from the Revere Beach Parkway to Broadway, has become a "gateway for speeding cars cutting through the neighborhood" and urged the stop signs be put in place in order to slow down the traffic.

The commission unanimously approved the mea-

sure.

The commission sent to a public hearing the following matters for its next meeting:

1. Request to amend Section 10.23.040(G) of Title 10 Visitor Placards to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere by deleting the word “Ten” and inserting the word “Eight”.

2. Request to Amend VII of Title 10 – Parking Restrictions Generally by adding two 15 minute parking spaces at 75 Shirley Avenue Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

## Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE
Ortiz, Maxamilliano	Capoccia, Robert F	19 Tuckerman St	\$752,190
Kiberenge, Roy	Elrihane, Ibrahim	20 Curtis Rd	\$700,000
Ephesus LLC	Curley, Joan M	31 Dunn Rd #31	\$480,000
Alvarado, Alejandro E	Callahan Patricia Est	62 Union St	\$640,000
Mascary, Marie A	Ferri RT	69 Douglas St	\$472,500
Garay, Cruz	Mottola, Joseph	70 Payson St	\$790,000
Rodriguez, Christopher R	Tempo L J Corp	99 Randall Rd	\$815,000
Davanzo, Michael	Grieco, Gerardo	153 Lantern Rd	\$710,000
Revere Squire Road LLC	338 Squire Road LLC	338 Squire Rd	\$6,000,000
Kume, Risvald	Henia H Marecka RET	376 Ocean Ave #702	\$460,000
Carman, Constance	Marilyn Kucera FT	376 Ocean Ave #706	\$400,000
Keddy, Benjamin K	Peng, Cheng	500 Revere Beach Blvd #308	\$310,000
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

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Photos by Marianne Salza

Little ones decorated cupcakes with sprinkles while popping miniature marshmallows into their mouths during Immaculate Conception School's Christmas Bazaar on December 16. Eighth grade volunteers ran the fair's games and arts and crafts tables that included digging for Santa rubber ducks in a pool of foam snow, and making bracelets strung with Fruit Loops.



Fifth graders, Vanessa and Atina, with kindergarteners Luciana and Viola, and a new friend.



Kindergarteners, Estefania and Jackson, proudly holding their decorated ornaments.



Computer teacher, Juan Valasquez, hugging Representative Jeff Turco, with Wilfredo Vil-lanueva, parent



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Linh, Mila, Benjamin, and Manh Nguyen.



Arabella, kindergartener, with her mom, Marianella, making Fruit Loop Christmas bracelets.



Mila Nguyen, kindergarten, playing a game of knocking over ornaments to win a lollipop.



**Victoria Madrid, with Darwin, Genesis, and Sebastian Villanueva**



Dominique and Casandra Rodriguez, kindergarten.

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# Sports

## MEET YOUR 2022-2023 REVERE HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAMS



The Varsity Girls Basketball Team. Assistant Coaches, Elizabeth Lake, Ariana Rivera, & Nicholas Canelas, Daniela Murillo, Nisrin Sekkat, Belma Velic, Shayna Smith, Lea Doucette, Assistant Coach Michael Micciche and Head Coach Chris Porrazzo. Front Row- Lorena Martinez, Marwa Riad, Bella Stamatopoulos, Rocio Gonzalez and Haley Belloise.



The RHS JV Girls Basketball Team. Head Coach Ariana Rivera, Zohra, Benkreira, Salma El Andalosy, Salma Zahraoui, Juliana Bolton Assistant Coach Elizabeth Lake. Front Row- Kaylin Oliva Folgar, Sonia Haily, Sara Sbai and Amy Rivas.



The Varsity RHS Boys Basketball Team. Head Coach David Leary, Assistant Coach Bob Sullivan, Joshua Mercado, Maykin Funez-Gonzalez, Capt. Vinny Vu, Ryan El Babor, Capt. Domenic Boudreau, Luke Ellis, Andrew Leone, Erick Mayorga, Capt. Vincent Nichols, Ethan Day, Capt. Sal DeAngelis, Capt. Alejandro Hincapie, Assistant Coach John Leone and Assistant Coach Dennis Leary.



Captains and Coaches. - Assistant Coach Bob Sullivan, Assistant Coach John Leone, Seniors and Captains- Alejandro Hincapie, Vinny Vu, Domenic Boudreau, Vincent Nichols, & Sal DeAngelis, Head Coach David Leary and Dennis Leary.



Junior Varsity-Varsity Coach David Leary, Coach Bob Sullivan, Jayden Balogun, Jermaine Kelley, Domenic Belmonte, Umar Sheikh, Carlos Rizo, Amir Yamani, Ryan El Babor, Erick Mayorga, Sami Welsh, Sami Mghizou, Joshua Mercado, Andrew Hincapie, Coach John Leone, Coach Dennis Leary.



Freshman Team- Varsity Head Coach David Leary, JV Coach John Leone, Domenic Bellia, Nicholas Rupp, Devin Berry, Jayden Brister, Youself Ismail, Sean Burnett Jr., Sami Welsh, Zaney Kayembe, Preston Kimemiah, Joseph Carlo, Joseph Pinto and Isaiah Llanos, Head Coach Bob Sullivan and Assistant Coach Dennis Leary

## RHS SPORTS Roundup

### CUNHA CAPTURES 600 AT SPEED CLASSIC MEET; EL ASRI TAKES FIFTH IN 300

Revere track star JV Cunha outraced the field to capture first place in the 600 meter dash at the Speed Classic held Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Roxbury.

JV's clocking of 1:25.73 edged-second place finisher Luke Boothroyd of Hopkinton by 0.27 among the field of 120 runners. Both Cunha and Boothroyd were far ahead of the rest of the competition, with the third-place boy clocking in at 1:28.43, a gap of 2.7 seconds behind Cunha's winning time.

Patriot Sami El-Asri also turned in an outstanding Speed performance, bringing home a fifth place medal in the 300 dash with a time of 37.47 among a field of 150 competitors.

Isaiah DeCrosta sped to a ninth place finish in the 55 meter hurdles in 8.75 and teammate Javan Close took 16th place in 9.00.

Davi Barreto also turned in an excellent performance, finishing in 10th place among a field of 219 sprinters in the 55 meter dash in a time

of 6.95. Teammate Allen Hou came across the line in 31st position with a sprint of 7.18.

The Patriots' 4 x 200 relay quartet grabbed ninth place with a clocking of 1:39.93.

On the girls' side, Kyra Delaney excelled in two events, finishing 20th (among a field of 226 competitors) in the 55 dash in 8.02 and taking 33rd in the 300 dash (among a field of more than 200 entrants) with a clocking of 46.5.

Sophomore Liv Yuong also turned in an outstanding performance in the 55 hurdles with a time of 10.38, which was good for 20th spot among the field of 81.

### YUONG WINS TWO EVENTS TO PACE RHS TRACK GIRLS IN WIN

The RHS girls kicked off their 2023 season in fine fashion with a victory over Greater Boston League rival Everett, 49-36, last Wednesday at the Merullo Fieldhouse.

"Everett has a lot of runners and great depth on their team, so it was definitely a tough team to start the season against," said RHS head coach Racquel MacDonald. "I'm really proud of how the girls

stepped up."

Sophomore Liv Yuong had a huge meet with two first-place finishes. Liv won the high jump with a personal record (PR) leap of 5'-1", a performance that tied the Revere school indoor record that also qualified Liv for the Rising Stars portion of the New Balance Indoor National Meet to be held in March.

Yuong finished off the meet with another first place finish in the 50 yard hurdles with a big PR from last season of 8.3 seconds.

"It's so impressive to see how well Liv's competing this early in the season," said MacDonald. "It's truly a testament not only to her talent, but also to her excellent work ethic."

Senior captain Kyra Delaney also turned in a superb first meet, speeding to first place in the 50 yard dash with a time of 6.8.

"This is a new event for Kyra, but I think this shows how versatile she is as a runner," said MacDonald. "She will be able to bounce back and forth between the 300m and 50yd/55m dash seamlessly throughout the season."

Kyra also ran the first leg of the winning 4 x 400 relay team, setting the pace for a winning con-

clusion to the meet for the Revere team.

Other first-place finishers for the Lady Patriots included Yasmin Riazi in the 600m (2:11.8), Alanah Burke in the 1000m (3:40.3), Olivia Rupp in the one mile (6:41.2), and Daniela Santana Baez in the two-mile (17:28.1).

The 4 x 400 relay team of Delaney, Rupp, Reyhan Bensadok, and Danni Hope Randall won their race in a clocking of 5:10.00, 10 seconds ahead of Everett.

Second-place performers who added three points to the Revere total included Rania Hamdani in the 300m (54.6 seconds) and Douaa Elkawakibi in the two mile (18:02.7).

Contributing single points with third place efforts were Yara Belguendouz in the 50 yard hurdles (9.1 seconds), Giselle Salvador in the 50 yard dash (7.1 seconds), Reyhan Bensadok in the 300m (56.5), and Rania Abdelhannane in the mile (7:33.6).

"After seeing how strong and fast everyone looked during this first meet, I know we're set up for a strong season," noted MacDonald. "We're already looking ahead to our next meet versus Somerville."



Captains Haley Belloise, Belma Velic and Bella Stamatopoulos and Head Coach Chris Porrazzo.

The Lady Patriots will meet Somerville today (Wednesday) and will host Lynn Classical next Wednesday.

### RHS BOYS BOUNCE BACK FROM OT LOSS

The Revere High basketball team opened its season last Tuesday before an electric, capacity crowd at Merullo Fieldhouse to watch the Patriots take on the Crimson Tide of Everett, the defending Greater Boston League champion.

Some early-game jitters for the inexperienced Patriots were evident from the start, as Everett jumped out to a quick 12-4 lead midway through the first quarter. Revere senior captains Vincent

Nichols and Sal DeAngelis made consecutive driving layups, assisted by sophomore guard Ethan Day (2 points, 3 assists), to cut into the Crimson Tide lead, and then senior captain Vinny Vu hit a nice floater in the lane to end the first quarter on a Revere spurt to leave the gap at 20-10 in favor of Everett.

The second quarter went much better for the home Patriots, as they settled down from their early nerves. Senior captain Alejandro Hincapie (12 points, 5 assists) knocked down an open three-point shot and had a nice strong take to the basket. Senior captain and returning GBL All-star Domenic



# Revere's affordable housing crisis cited at RAHTF meeting

By Journal Staff

The newly-established board of the Revere Affordable Housing Trust Fund (RAHTF) held its second-ever meeting last Wednesday, December 14, in the City Council Chamber.

The RAHTF, which was created last year by the Mayor Brian Arrigo and the City Council, is in the early stages of trying to determine how it can contribute to alleviating the housing affordability crisis that is having far-reaching effects not only in Revere, but throughout the country.

The RAHTF has a mandate that includes: providing programs for rental assistance; subsidies for home repairs for low-in-

come residents and seniors to enable them to stay in their homes; emergency assistance programs; deed restrictions on new housing projects to include affordable units; and potentially constructing affordable housing projects.

On hand for the meeting were chairman Joseph Gravallese and fellow members Anayo Osueke, Laia Petri, and Jan Dumas.

The principal portion of the meeting consisted of a presentation of data by Tom Skwierawski, the city's Chief of Planning and Community Development, who painted a stark picture of the lack of affordable housing in Revere.

Skwierawsk said that compared to nearby communities, Revere has the

lowest household median income, but the highest rents. There are about 12,200 residents who are low-income, of whom 44 percent are extremely low-income and who would qualify for housing assistance of some kind. But right now, there is only one unit available for every seven persons in need, he told the board.

He also noted that according to Zillow, sales prices of homes in Revere have increased by 78 percent in the past seven years, from \$308,000 in 2015 to \$554,000 in 2022.

A typical home buyer needs an income of \$109,000 to buy a median-priced home in Revere, but that far exceeds the present median household income of \$73,000 of the

typical Revere resident.

He noted that rents for a two-bedroom apartment have skyrocketed by 76% in the past seven years, from \$1494 in 2015 to \$2635 today.

Skwierawsk said that Revere presently has 2,296 affordable housing units, which amount to only 7.9 percent of the city's housing stock at the present time.

He said that this problem will be exacerbated in the immediate future. The percentage of affordable housing in the city will decline even further in the coming years because though there will be a large increase in the housing supply by about 3,000 units, only 60 of those units will be deed-restricted, affordable housing.

He also noted that the city's failure to reach the 10% threshold of affordable housing under state law could leave the city vulnerable to a development pursuant to chapter 40B, which allows developers to bypass local zoning restrictions in return for constructing affordable housing.

It was pointed out that among the areas being eyed as potential sources for affordable housing development in the city are the MBTA parking lots at the Beachmont and Wonderland stations, any properties taken by tax title by the city, and the Lee Trail-er Park.

The board still is working on defining its goals and creating a mission statement and to that end,

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Boudreau (who had a nice double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds) made a basket plus the foul and Nichols had a nice offensive rebound and put-back to make it 25-21 Everett with 3:50 remaining in the half.

Everett would use a timeout and then put together a run of their own, pushing their lead back up to 10 points with just over two minutes remaining before the intermission. Revere would then get a spark off the bench from junior forward Andrew Leone (7 points, 6 rebounds) and sophomore forward Erick Mayorga (5 points), who each knocked down open three-pointers.

Mayorga added another layup, pulling the Patriots within six points at half-time, 35-29.

The third quarter went just like the first quarter with the visiting Crimson Tide extending their defensive pressure and Revere unable to get any offense going. Everett controlled the quarter and held Revere to just eight points in the period to move out to a 50-37 advantage heading into the final eight minutes.

"We really challenged these guys in between the third and fourth quarter," said RHS head coach David Leary. "We just needed

to play tougher on defense and on the boards so that we could create opportunities on offense."

The strategy soon paid dividends. On the defensive end, the Patriots held Everett to just seven points in the fourth quarter and at the other end, Nichols (who finished with 17 points and 9 rebounds) started up the offense with a smooth move to the basket and a pair of free throws.

Boudreau, playing in his first game back from a broken collarbone he suffered during the football season, found his three-point stroke and so too did his senior counterpart Hincapie, to help Revere seize the momentum.

Everett was clinging to a 53-51 lead with 1:47 to play and after a Revere steal, senior guard DeAngelis was fouled and stepped up to make two free throws to knot the game at 53-53. The game was very physical down the stretch and both teams went back and forth making free throws, but Everett had taken a slim, one-point lead 57-56 with just a few seconds remaining when Revere junior forward Andrew Leone, cool under pressure, made his second free throw to send the game into overtime knotted at 57-57.

The OT session did not go as planned for the Patriots, as the bigger, more experienced Tide team executed better down the stretch, making all six of their free throws in the extra frame to hold off Revere for the 63-60 finale.

Despite the final outcome, Leary and his staff were proud of the fierce level of competitiveness exhibited by the Patriots.

"We did not know what to expect, being opening night and going up against a very good team (Everett is a pre-season top 20 team in the Herald and Globe), but our guys battled all night and did not quit," said Leary. "It's definitely something to build on and it was a great atmosphere to play in. It was nice to have our fans back!"

After the tough overtime loss to Everett, the Patriots looked to bounce back three nights later when they hosted another GBL rival, the Highlanders from Somerville.

The Patriots jumped out to an early lead behind their pressure defense and their senior captains. Nichols (6 points, 7 rebounds) and DeAngelis (6 points) got the home team going, and Vu and Hincapie (9 points, 6 steals) also added baskets during the early onslaught, boosting Revere to a 16-5 lead

at the first buzzer.

The second quarter proved more of the same. Boudreau (19 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals) drilled a pair of treys and Hincapie continued to be a pest, applying pressure to the Somerville offense.

Junior forwards Luke Ellis and Andrew Leone also chipped in with a basket apiece to help Revere increase its lead to 31-16 at the intermission.

The third quarter belonged to Boudreau, who scored 12 of the Patriots' 14 points in the frame, while the Patriots' swarming defense continued to make it tough on Somerville to get any offense going.

Revere held a commanding 45-20 advantage heading into the last quarter. Sophomore guard Day had a nice steal and layup for Revere and senior guard Maykin Funez-Gonzalez scored his first four points of the season to help the Patriots secure the victory, 53-35.

"We were not as sharp tonight as we were in the opener, but our defense fueled us and allowed us to build the lead," noted Leary. "I think these guys wanted to bounce back after the tough loss the other night and we got contributions from across the roster."

Leary and his crew were scheduled to host Lynn Classical last night (Tuesday) and will travel to the Edward M. Kennedy School of Health tomorrow (Thursday).

The boys will be playing in the David Green Memorial Holiday Tournament at Winthrop High School against East Boston next Wednesday, December 28, at noon. The consolation or championship game will be the next day, Thursday, December 29, against either Winthrop or Saugus.

### RHS GIRLS BASKETBALL TOPS SOMERVILLE, 56-29

The Revere High girls basketball team rebounded from a season-opening loss at Everett last Tuesday to post a 56-29 victory at Somerville last Thursday.

In the season-opener against a strong Everett team, the Lady Crimson Tide pulled after the intermission away thanks to a huge third quarter. The final score was 46-28.

Junior captain Haley Belloise (12 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists, and 2 steals, turned in a fine all-around effort at both ends of the floor.

"It was a rocky start and we're still searching for our identity on the court," noted RHS head coach Chris Porrazzo.

"We are working together to figure out our chemistry," added junior captain Bella Stamatopoulos.

However, two nights later, the Lady Patriots put it all together at Somerville to post their first win of the 2023 season.

Belloise led the Lady Patriots in the scoring department with 16 points. Teammate Belma Velic also reached double figures with 13 points and Stamatopoulos added eight.

"We were able to get back on track against Somerville," said Porrazzo. "Even though we won, we noticed a lot of things on the game film that we need to get better at. Our best basketball is ahead of us and we are going to keep working hard every day to get better."

Porrazzo and his crew were scheduled to take on Greater Boston League

rival Lynn Classical last night and then will play in the Milton High Holiday Tournament during the vacation week.

### RHS BOYS TRACK OPENS WITH 54-32 WIN

The Revere High boys indoor track & field team gave their new head coach, David Flemnmg, an early Christmas present with a 54-32 victory over Greater Boston League rival Everett in the season-opener last Wednesday at the Merullo Fieldhouse.

The Patriots captured seven of the nine individual events and went 1-2 in five of them.

The first-place finishers for Revere were: Isaiah Decrosta in the hurdles in 7.3; Ahmend Bellemseh in the 600 in 1:42.8; JV Cunha in the 1000 in 3:07.3; Kenan Batic in the mile in 5:36.2; Youness Chahid in the two-mile in 13:18.8; Richard Vilme in the high jump with a leap of 5'-8"; and Gabriel Santana in the shot-put with a throw of 35'-3.35".

Scoring three points for the Patriots with second-place performances were: Javan Close in the hurdes in 7.8; Allen Hou in the 50 yard dash in 6.2; Zaraius Bilimoria in the mile in 5:40.3; Brayden Shanley in the two-mile in 13:22.5; and Felipe Maia in the shot-put with a throw of 35'-3". Close tied for second in the high jump with a leap of 5'-2".

Adding single points with third-place efforts were Randi Rodriguez in the 300 dash in 43.5 and Besmir Collaku in the 1000 in 3:34.3.

Fleming and his crew are scheduled to meet GBL rival Somerville today (Wednesday) and will host GBL foe Lynn Classical next Wednesday.

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## RHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

### 10 years ago December 19, 2012

The Revere High girls basketball team got its 2012-13 season off to a roaring start with a scintillating 44-40 victory over defending Northeastern Conference champion Lynn English Friday evening at the RHS fieldhouse. Gena Restiano led the RHS point parade with 19 points, including eight for 11 shooting from the charity stripe and one three-pointer. Captain Caitlyn Caramello added four points and was a tiger under the boards with 14 rebounds. Senior Amy Rotger reached double figures with 10 points and hit on four of six from the line.

Jen Fajardo and Tiphani Harris chipped in with four points apiece and Jacqui Noel added three points.

The Revere High boys indoor track opened its season in fine fashion last week with a 46-40 win over Gloucester. The Pa-

trioti captured first places in five events and placed two boys in the top three positions in seven of the nine individual competitions. First place finishers for the Patriots were Tarik Maddrey with an outstanding leap of 6'-3" in the high jump; Omar Morales with a toss of 45-3 in the shot-put; Karim Sahila with a time of 7.1 seconds in the 50 yard hurdles; Joe Ritchie with a sprint of 5.6 seconds in the 50 yard dash; and Bobby Rose with a clocking of 39.5 in the 300 dash.

The Revere High boys indoor 4 x 200 relay team of Joe Ritchie, Younes Hartout, Johnny Lopes, and Bobby Rose set a new school record with a time of 1:34.84 to earn a third place ribbon at the Northeastern Conference Winter Festival Meet at the Reggie Lewis Center. Tarik Maddrey was the top individual finisher for Revere, taking second place in the high jump with a leap of 6'-2" among the field of 40

competitors.

Although the Revere High girls indoor track team came out on the short end of a 50-36 decision to Gloucester last week, four Lady Patriots came through with first place efforts.

Nikki Nelson won her race in the two mile event in a runaway, clocking a time of 14:40, which was 51 seconds ahead of her closest rival. Raychel Adreani captured the 50 yard dash with a sprint of 6.8 seconds; Lindsay Gurska took the 50 yard hurdles in 8.4; and Danielle Fortuna won the 600 in 1:58.6.

The Revere High hockey team played well in its season opener last Wednesday against Somerville, but was not quite able to come up with an early Christmas present for new head coach Joe Ciccarello in his first game, dropping a 3-1 decision. Marco Mazzarelli scored the Revere goal, assisted by Cam Whalen.

### 20 years ago December 24, 2002

Mike Cassano has resigned as head football coach at Revere High. He has coached the Patriots for the past four seasons.

A young Revere High hockey team dropped its season opener, 4-0, to Peabody. Coach Jim Palumbo's squad is filled primarily with sophomores.

### 30 years ago December 22, 1992

Three RHS football players, quarterback Karl Bussey, linebacker Greg Mucci, and defensive lineman David Gravalese, have been named to the GBL all star football team.

Sophomore Karen Jouve poured in 21 points to lead the RHS girls basketball team to a 58-33 rout of Cambridge. The Lady Patriots are coming off a 2-14 mark last season, but look to improve this year.

The RHS boys basketball team dropped its first

two games of the season, 72-48 to Cambridge and 68-57 to Peabody. Robert Pingaro scored 57 points in the two games for Revere.

### 40 years ago December 22, 1982

Despite 26 points from Wayne Chainey and 24 from Jack Johnson, the RHS boys basketball team dropped a 69-63 decision to Saugus in the season opener. In a 65-54 loss to Malden Catholic, Chainey hit for 24 points for Coach Kevin McCann's squad.

### 50 years ago December 21, 1972

Kerry Leppo set a new Revere High School record in the high jump with a leap of 6'-2.5" in a 56-30 win over Chelsea in the GBL debut for the RHS indoor track team, which formerly competed in the Metropolitan League.

Dave Gagliardi scored a hat trick to lead the RHS hockey team to a 4-1 win over Quincy in the season

opener. Coach Richard Champa's Patriots, the defending GBL champs, then defeated Chelsea 6-1 behind two goals by Bob White and one goal by brother Bill.

Senior co-captain Billy MacDonald poured in 39 points to lead the Immaculate Conception High basketball team to a 69-56 win over Gate of Heaven High of South Boston.

### 60 years ago December 27, 1962

The high-flying Revere High hockey team notched another win, 10-1 over No. Quincy. Jim Palumbo notched a hat trick and Stevie White scored two goals.

### 70 years ago December 25, 1952

The Revere High hockey team tied Danvers 2-2. Feyler and Hudson scored the goals for the Hornermen.

# Transportation Service Agency is prepared for winter holiday travelers

Staff Report

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) anticipates airport security checkpoints nationwide will be busier this holiday travel season compared to last year.

TSA expects travel volumes to be close to pre-pandemic levels. The busiest days are expected to be

Thursday, Dec. 22 and Friday, Dec. 30.

"During the Thanksgiving travel period, we saw the highest throughput volume since 2019, and we expect that trend to continue over the upcoming holiday travel period," said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. "We are prepared for the increased volume and expect to meet our wait time

standards of 30 minutes or less in standard lanes and 10 minutes or less in TSA PreCheck® lanes. However, there may be some situations where the capacity of a checkpoint is exceeded."

Additionally, to provide a higher level of assistance for travelers with questions about airport security screening procedures, airline passengers may now send a text using any mobile device to "AskTSA" (275-872). A virtual assistant is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. For more complicated questions, AskTSA staff are available daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST. Passengers may still reach out to AskTSA (@AskTSA) on Twitter or Facebook Messenger with questions and comments.

TSA also has several videos for parents and families to watch with young children. Our latest edition in the "TSA KIDS" series is for families traveling with gifts. TSA KIDS videos cover various travel tips, including traveling with snacks and traveling with electronics. More information on our TSA KIDS videos may be found on our YouTube page.

Travelers should keep these top 10 tips in mind while traveling:

1. Do not attempt to bring a firearm through a TSA checkpoint; doing so compromises the safety and security of other passengers and our officers in the checkpoint. Passengers who do attempt to bring a firearm through a checkpoint can expect to receive a civil penalty (fines may be as high as \$15,000) and lose eligibility for TSA PreCheck. Additionally, local law enforcement will be

called and because these passengers may present additional risk beyond the firearm, they will receive enhanced screening.

2. Beyond firearms, there are other items that are not permitted in the checkpoint. These include explosives, flammables, knives, razors and replica weapons. To see if an item is prohibited, check the TSA website under "What Can I Bring?" Prepare for security when packing for your trip and be aware of what can go in carry-on or checked bags to ensure there are no prohibited items. If you can spill it, spray it, spread it, pump it or pour it, then it is subject to the 3.4-ounce limitation. As always, passengers may bring solid foods such as cakes and other baked goods through the TSA checkpoint.

3. Ensure gifts are unwrapped and can be inspected. TSA encourages those traveling with gifts this holiday season to use gift bags that can be easily opened or gift boxes with lids that can be removed, so that contents can be inspected if required. Fully wrapped gifts may need to be opened if deemed necessary by a TSA officer. Instead, consider placing your unwrapped gifts in your checked bag.

4. Bring an acceptable ID. Before heading to the airport, travelers should make sure they have acceptable identification. At many airport checkpoints, the Transportation Security Officer (TSO) may ask you to insert your physical ID into one of our new Credential Authentication Technology units. Residents of Arizona, Colorado and Maryland may even use their Apple

mobile device to store their ID in Apple Wallet and use their mobile device in certain TSA PreCheck lanes at participating airports.

5. Become a Trusted Traveler. The TSA PreCheck program offers expedited security screening at the airport, connecting low-risk passengers with a more efficient air travel experience. Just in time for the holidays, the enrollment fee dropped from \$85 to \$78 for a five-year membership. Online renewals cost just \$70. TSA PreCheck members keep their shoes, belts and light jackets on and their laptops and liquids in their carry-on bags. Program member benefits include less physical contact, fewer items on the conveyor belt, and faster screening. Many new enrollees receive a known traveler number within three to five days.

6. Request passenger support. Travelers or families of passengers with disabilities and/or medical conditions may call the TSA Cares helpline toll free at 855-787-2227 at least 72 hours prior to travel with any questions about screening procedures and to find out what to expect at the security checkpoint. TSA Cares also arranges assistance at the checkpoint for travelers with specific needs.

7. @AskTSA. Travelers can get assistance in real time by submitting their questions and comments to @AskTSA on Twitter, Facebook Messenger and via text message using any mobile device to "AskTSA" (275-872). An automated virtual assistant is available 24/7 while staff is available from 8 a.m. to

6 p.m. EST daily, including holidays and weekends. Travelers may also reach the TSA Contact Center at 866-289-9673. Staff is available from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekends/holidays; and an automated service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

8. If You See Something. Say Something®. Public awareness remains a key element in transportation security and we all play a role in keeping our communities safe. For additional information, please visit the DHS website.

9. Practice good cybersecurity habits. Effective cybersecurity habits are not limited to the home or office. Those who are traveling – whether domestically or internationally – should continue to practice safe online behaviors. Take proactive steps to secure internet-enabled devices. Practice the concept of stop, think and connect prior to connecting to any public wireless hotspot, such as those at airports, hotels and cafés. For more cybersecurity tips, visit cisa.gov.

10. Show gratitude to frontline workers. Thank a TSO, a flight attendant, a gate agent or someone who serves at the frontlines of transportation. TSOs complete about 200 hours of training to become certified and are committed to transportation security while ensuring all travelers are treated with respect and courtesy. Pack an extra dose of patience, especially during higher passenger volume travel days, and show gratitude to those who are working diligently to get everyone to their destinations safely.

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and community to collaborate to help make the high school a better place.

"This was a disturbing and unsettling discovery for all of us involved, and I hope that we can use that to launch some great collaboration between the high school administration, family, students, families, and the broader Revere community," said Bowen.

Opioid-related deaths in Massachusetts have risen from an average of about 500 to 600 annually a decade ago, to over 2,000 per year in recent years, according to Dr. Alexander Walley, an internist and addiction specialist at Boston Medical Center.

"What drove that surge was fentanyl being introduced into the heroin supply, primarily," said Walley.

While the majority of opioid-related deaths are among people over the age of 25, Walley noted that those under the age of 25 account for 1 percent of all deaths in the state, but 5 percent of opioid overdoses.

"Young people are overrepresented, which is an important reason for us to think about overdose prevention in young people," Walley said.

While overall drug use has remained fairly consistent for people aged 14-18 over the past decade, Walley said the number of fentanyl overdose deaths has surged.

"It really points to concerns of the toxic drug supply," he said.

While fentanyl is most prevalent in heroin, there has also been a surge in deadly counterfeit pills cut with fentanyl and other substances that have helped fuel overdose deaths.

Dr. Sarah Bagley said when she talks to youth about drug use, she typically asks them why they

turn to drugs. While peer pressure remains a top concern, she said that more recently, there has been an uptick in young people who state they use drugs to help deal with depression or anxiety.

"I also hear a lot about isolation or boredom, especially during Covid, that was so common," said Bagley.

A high percentage of youth who turn to drugs or overdose also have a history of mental health issues, said Bagley.

"It's really clear from the data that there are a lot of opportunities available for us to provide more overdose education, distribute more naloxone, and be able to train people on how to respond when there is an overdose," said Bagley.

Statistics show that over 60 percent of overdoses for young people happen in their own homes and with someone nearby. Nearly 70 percent of those overdoses have no response from someone who is nearby, Bagley said.

Response strategies for youth are focused on strategies of detection, prevention, and empowerment, according to Traci Green, an epidemiologist and professor at Brandeis University.

In addition to making sure people have and know how to use naloxone, Green said it's also important for there to be access to fentanyl test strips, which can help drug users determine if there is fentanyl present in drugs.

Prevention strategies include regular medical check ups, youth having a confidential person they can talk to, and empowerment strategies can include having a safety plan in place that includes hydration and having someone available to check in on someone using drugs.

## HAPPY 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY, JACK JONES!



Recently Revere resident Jack Jones celebrated turning 80 years old. This did not stop Jack, his family, and friends from celebrating this milestone in a big way. The Casa Lucia was the place to celebrate and enjoy each other's company and dance the night away to the many hits played by the DJ. Cake cutting, toasting to his health, and dancing all night was put on hold to take a family picture for posterity.

Shown above, Jack Jones, (seated center) is surrounded by his family that was at the Casa Lucia to help celebrate his 80th Birthday. From us all Happy Birthday Jack Jones, may you see many more.



LYDIA EDWARDS CELEBRATED HER BIRTHDAY AT THE REEL HOUSE IN EAST BOSTON

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Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards with Andretti Stanziani.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards and Boston City Councilor Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards with Boston City Councilor Kenzie Bok.



Navy Yard Hospitality Group manager Rachel Engdahl and President Charlie Larnar.



Boston City Councilor Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta with Juan Contreras.



Neil Doherty and Tim Sullivan



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (2nd from left) with Juan Contreras, Luis Robles, and Matthew Broude.



Lydia Edwards' Chief Of Staff Eduardo Moreno-Mendez, Boston City Councilor Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta with her Chief of Staff Ellie Sanchez, Chief of Staff for State Rep Adrian Madaro Gloribel Rivas, and Andretti Stanziani.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards with Claria Dosantos and her husband Anderson (far right) and Juliana and Natalia Fernandez.



Navy Yard Hospitality Group manager Rachel Engdahl and President Charlie Larnar with Carrier and Associates President Al Carrier.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (center) with Monique Nguyen and Natacha Thomas.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (center) with John Antonellis and Lasstell Tinley.



Heather O'Brien, Andrea Manfredonia, Dr Sherri Raftery, Cynthia Steg, Cynthia Hoff, and Janet Kilderry.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (3rd from right) with Kenell Broomstein, John Antonellis, Heather O'Brien, Lasstell Tinley, and Juan Contreras.



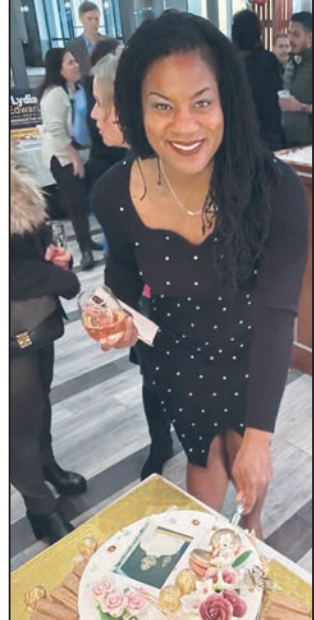
Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (center) with birthday guests.



Heather O'Brien and Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards with her staff: Ben Tayag, Christianna Golden, Eduardo Moreno-Mendez, Yamina Lachmi, and Eric Reidister.



Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards cuts her birthday cake.

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THE LADIES OF RHS CLASS OF 1969 HOLD LUNCHEON MINI-REUNION





## REVERE *Through the Years*

### 10 years ago December 19, 2012

City and school officials have called upon the federal government to help them make schools safer in Revere and across the country, with Mayor Dan Rizzo suggesting that members of the National Guard conduct their required service at school entrances. After the unspeakable events that transpired last Friday morning in Newtown, CT, the country has been sent into a state of despair. Yet, at the same time, local leaders and parents of school-aged children across the country also focused on what could be done to prevent such a tragedy in their own communities.

Tuesday morning brought the major announcement by Suffolk Downs and Caesar's Entertainment that they have cemented a partnership with Boston's Citi Performing Arts Center (Citi Center) to provide arts and entertainment programming at the proposed casino.

Suffolk Downs Chief Operating Officer Chip Tuttle said the partnership opens up access to both venues, also allowing potential casino rewards programs to be used for buying tickets at Boston events.

Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea Cabral has accepted a position in Gov. Deval Patrick's cabinet as the Secretary of Public Safety and Security. Cabral was last elected to her post as sheriff in 2010,

Les Misérables, Zero Dark Thirty, and Rise of the Guardians are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago December 24, 2002

The annual Christmas Concert by the North Shore Philharmonic in Revere has been named the Robert A. Marra Sounds of Christmas Concert in honor of the late Revere resident and teacher who played with the Philharmonic for more than 50

years.

The Revere Police Department has made Christmas merrier for a number of children in the city thanks to its first annual Toy Drive which collected toys for more than 150 children.

A task force of federal, state, and local law enforcement officials say they have busted a major drug ring in the Boston area that was being operated by the Mafia. Revere residents were among those arrested in the raids across the Greater Boston area. One of the alleged drug ring leaders who was arrested in the North End is a Suffolk County corrections officer who allegedly ran the operation in Everett. Authorities seized 13 guns, 245 grams of cocaine, 62 pounds of marijuana, hundreds of Percocet pills, and \$32,456 in cash.

Revere dentist Dr. Billy Eaves, 44, has received the prestigious Distinguished Alumni Service Award to the Community from Boston University's Goldman School of Dental Medicine.

Patty Lamarre, who co-chaired the Revere election campaign for State Senator-elect Jarrett Barrios, has been named by Barrios to the post of director of administration and management in his office.

Gangs of New York, The Wild Thornberrys Movie, and The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago December 22, 1992

With local ratepayers bearing the entire expense of the Boston Harbor cleanup, a group of Massachusetts officeholders have petitioned incoming Pres. Bill Clinton to restore federal funding for the new Boston Harbor sewage treatment plant.

Police once again were summoned to restore order at Revere High when a new student had an argument with a teacher. The student, who had an outstanding

warrant in the town of Hull, was arrested by police.

A Few Good Men, Aladdin, and Home Alone 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago December 22, 1982

Mayor George V. Colella has announced a full-scale investigation into a report by Channel 7 News that a large-scale fencing operation is flourishing in Revere thanks to protection from the Revere Police Dept. The three-part series by reporters Mike Taibbi and Carlton Sherwood charged that a local business on Squire Road was a front for the operation, with thieves bringing their loot daily to the store. The report alleged that 14-20 Revere police officers were aware of the operation.

Revere School Committee members no longer are facing contempt of court charges and possible incarceration for their failure to reinstate RHS hockey coach Richard Champa after the State Labor Relations Board ordered his reinstatement. Champa brought his lawsuit on the basis that the School Committee refused to rehire him to the post in retaliation for his activities on behalf of the Revere Teachers Union in his capacity as president of the union. When a single justice of the Mass. Appeals Court threatened to send the committee members to jail if they did not rehire Champa, they voted 4-1 to do so. When committee member John Correggio filed for reconsideration of that vote, the single justice again threatened incarceration, and Correggio hastily went to City Hall to withdraw his motion. The matter has been in the legal system for more than a year. Jimmy Palumbo filled in as head coach for Champa last year.

The 48th season of Wonderland Dog Track will draw to a close next week, capping one of the most

successful seasons in its history. The track's 49th season will get underway January 1.

### 50 years ago December 21, 1972

After last week's announcement by Mayor William G. Reinstein of plans for a \$300 million development of Revere Beach with the Atlantic Savings Bank as lead developer, the City Council adopted a motion by Council Pres. Fran Doris to extend the moratorium on new construction at Revere Beach until the council receives details of the plan.

Mayor William Reinstein had named retired RHS Principal Albert Fulchino to the post of his administrative assistant. Fulchino succeeds Gerald Esposito, who resigned to return to his former job at the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

A visit by Santa to the local Moose Lodge was enjoyed by thousands of local children.

Police Chief George Corbett ordered his men to make raids on the local Moose Lodge and the Italian American Club where officers seized illegal slot machines.

Slaughterhouse Five is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

### 60 years ago December 27, 1962

Jerome Rappaport, the developer of the proposed \$200 million urban renewal plan for Revere Beach, has challenged his chief opponent of the project, Revere teacher and Civic Association Pres. Joseph J.C. DiCarlo, to a debate. Rappaport said that DiCarlo has distorted the facts of his plan.

The Revere Journal held its annual Christmas Party for its news delivery boys at Signore Pizza. Publisher Sidney Curtis and circulation manager Eddie Waldman gave a billfold to each of the 60 newsboys.

Revere teacher Katha-

rine Cummings, a graduate of Radcliffe College with a Master's from Harvard, is observing her 10 year anniversary as a teacher in the local school system. Cummings began her career here as the Revere schools' first teacher for children with special needs. Her classroom of 14 students at the Whelan School consists of children from ages 7 to 19 with average IQs in the range of 30-50.

Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra star in Ocean's 11 at the Revere Drive In. West Side Story is playing at the Revere Theatre.

### 70 years ago December 25, 1952

The Line Materials Company, a division of the McGrath Electric Company, a nationally known firm, has begun construction of a combination distribution plant and warehouse near the Studebaker plant on the Revere Beach Parkway. The one-story brick and block building, which will be 80 feet x 108 feet, will cost \$150,000. The firm has nine factories in the U.S. and Canada and 67 sales offices.

Ralph Reilly Jr., 8, of 59 Library Street, a victim of muscular dystrophy, is the happy recipient of hundreds of Christmas cards this season from far and wide after his name was mentioned in a Boston Sunday Advertiser story recently.

City yard employees have requested a \$50 Christmas bonus to help them with the high cost of living.

The Revere Journal treated its 67 newsboys to a chicken supper at Topsy's, 377 Revere Beach Boulevard. The boys were given a gift pen and then were taken to the NBA game between the Boston Celtics and the Syracuse Nationals, which was won by the Celtics, 91-77.

Gregory Peck, Susan Hayward, and Ava Gardner star in The Snows of Kilimanjaro at the Revere

Theatre.

### 80 years ago December 24, 1942

Mayor Ray Carey, seeking to alleviate the serious home heating fuel shortage, has established 25 wood depots around the city where residents can obtain firewood. Carey has made provisions with the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp. in East Boston to obtain the wood.

Fire Chief Thomas McCarrick has urged all residents to be aware of the high risk of fire hazard created by dry Christmas trees and unsafe electrical lights.

The final draft call for 1942 will see 176 men from this city report for duty in three groups next week. It is expected that the draft calls for January and February will be lower.

Despite the shadow of war hanging over the city, which again has required the elimination of holiday lights and decorations, the spirit of local residents remains undaunted as they prepare to celebrate the holiday season. Local businesses report that shoppers have purchased ample Christmas gifts and the Post Office reports that the mails have been jammed for weeks with Christmas cards.

Four families were driven from their homes at 1217 No. Shore Road by a fire that started in a defective oil furnace. The wife and young children of Paul Mikalonis, the local bartender who was among those killed in the Cocoanut Grove fire two weeks ago, were among those driven out of their home. A similar cause of fire damaged dwellings at 935 Winthrop Avenue and 2 Malden St.

The icy temperatures of the past several days that saw the thermometer dip to 11 below zero caused pipes to freeze and then flood City Hall, as well as in several school buildings.

## 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.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

0056: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) for a civil moving infraction at Malden and Augustus Sts. and issued a citation to the operator, a 34 year-old Woburn man, for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV and for the civil infractions of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal and operating an unregistered MV.

0149: Disturbance on Squire Rd. Officers arrested Oscar M. Jutinario, 29, of 500 Ocean Ave., for the criminal offenses of operating a motor vehicle (MV) while under the influence of alcohol and operating an MV recklessly so as to endanger. He also was cited for the civil infractions of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal and having an

container of alcohol while operating an MV.

0555: Motor vehicle (MV) accident on American Legion Highway. The MV was towed.

0747: Unwanted person on VFW Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

0754: Disabled motor vehicle at Mahoney Circle. The officer provided assistance.

0820: Motor vehicle (MV) accident at Butler Circle. The MV was towed.

0820: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Everard St.

0847: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broadway.

1101: Lost/found property on Everard St. The officer filed a report.

1111: Motor vehicle (MV) accident on Squire Rd. The officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old Peabody man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV.

1112: Motor vehicle accident on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer filed a report.

1128: Motor vehicle (MV) accident on Dehon St. The officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of unlicensed opera-

tion of an MV.

1303: Motor vehicle (MV) accident on No. Shore Rd. An MV was towed.

1343: Motor vehicle accident with property damage on Broadway. The officer will file a report.

1345: Animal complaint on Cary Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1406: Assault on School St. The officer filed a report.

1440: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Rumney Rd.

1441: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Tucker-man St.

1442: Shoplifting on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1525: Stolen motor vehicle on VFW Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1619: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1745: Disturbance on Winthrop Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1810: Motor vehicle accident on No. Shore Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1904: Parking complaint on Revere St. The officer

provided assistance.

1927: Parking in a handicapped spot on Thornton St. The motor vehicle was moved.

1942: Disabled motor vehicle (MV) at Broadway and Cushman Ave. The officer issued a citation to the operator, a 20 year-old Malden man, for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of an MV.

2000: Disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

2034: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Brown Circle for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2123: Disturbance on Winthrop Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2152: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Dolphin Ave. and filed a report.

2227: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Revere Beach Blvd.

2230: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Overlook Ridge Drive.

2257: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Shirley Ave.

2301: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Revere Beach Blvd.

2305: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Revere Beach Blvd.

2347: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle on No. Shore Rd. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

0005: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Revere Beach Blvd.

0011: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle from Ward St.

0038: Unwanted person on Sullivan St. A motor vehicle was towed.

0137: Suspicious activity on Furlong Drive. The officer restored the peace.

0806: Motor vehicle accident on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

0922: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Lantern Rd. and filed a report.

1018: A motor vehicle that had been reported as stolen was recovered on Revere St.

1050: A hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage was reported at Winthrop and Washburn Aves.

1106: Shoplifting on Ward St. The officer filed a report.

1133: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle from Beach St.

1159: Motor vehicle accident with property dam-

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On Thursday, December 15, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) was proud to host a listening session with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office for Civil Rights (OCR) Director Melanie Fontes Rainer on President Biden's Executive Order on Securing Access to Reproductive and Other Healthcare Services. The meeting provided an opportunity for federal, state and local public health and community leaders, including Massachusetts State Representative Marjorie C. Decker, to discuss the essential role of federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) in increasing access to reproductive health care, a critical part of advancing women's health equity.

EBNHC is a leading provider of care to wom-

en in our community, and this year alone, provided high-quality women's health care to more than 37,000 patients, 74% of whom are Hispanic and 83% of whom are a racial/ethnic minority.

For more information about your Reproductive Health Rights in the U.S., visit here <https://reproductiverights.gov>. For more information about how the U.S. Department of Justice is working to protect access to reproductive health services under federal law, visit [www.justice.gov/reproductive-rights](http://www.justice.gov/reproductive-rights).

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) is one of the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community health center in Massachusetts, serving over 100,000 patients and recognized by the Health



Featured from left to right – Everett Handford, HHS Region 1, Regional Director; Susan Rhodes, Regional Manager, Office for Civil Rights (OCR); Assaad Jean Sayah, M.D. Cambridge Health Alliance; Greg Wilmot, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), President & CEO; Melanie Fontes Rainer, OCR Director, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Rep. Marjorie C. Decker, MA. House of Representatives; Dr. Julio Mazul, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, EBNHC; Ernani DeAraujo, Chief Legal Officer, EBNHC; Dr. Jackie Fantes, Chief Medical Officer, EBNHC; Phil Johnston, CEO, Johnston & Associates.

Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a Health Center Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has offered access to comprehensive care for the underserved populations of Chelsea, East Boston, Revere, Winthrop, Everett and Boston's South End.

EBNHC is dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families, and individuals

by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services to all

who live and work in our service area. For more information, please visit [www.ebnhc.org](http://www.ebnhc.org).

## Disney On Ice returns

Staff Report

Get ready to discover the hero inside us all when Disney On Ice returns with a magical adventure for the whole family! Audiences will discover what it truly means to be a hero as Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse and friends from around the Disney Kingdom come together to take families on a journey through timeless tales when Disney On Ice presents Find Your Hero skates into Agganis Arena at Boston University from December 22, 2022 - January 2, 2023.

Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck

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ventures and the Beast's enchanted objects take center stage for a dazzling skating spectacle inviting audiences to "Be Our Guest."

Discover that courage, determination and heart are all part of the hero in you as Disney On Ice presents Find Your Hero brings beloved characters to life through cutting edge figure-skating, eye-catching costumes and stunning set designs. Innovative lighting, thrilling special effects, high-flying jumps and breathtaking skating make Disney On Ice presents Find Your Hero an experience the whole family will treasure forever!

## ASMAA ABOU-FOUDA IS DECEMBER 2022'S PUBLIC SERVANT OF THE MONTH

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Revere knew there was more they could do when it came to translating and interpreting important public health communications for various Revere communities. Asmaa Abou-Fouda, currently Revere's Language Access Specialist, stepped up to the plate the first week of the pandemic's spread through our community – by filming and interpreting the Mayor's COVID-19 messages into Arabic. As one of the largest Arabic-speaking communities in the Commonwealth, the need for reliable communication at this time was imperative. So much, in fact, that regional Arabic speakers turned to Asmaa's videos at the height of the pandemic to hear important information about the spread, masking, and vaccination clinics when their own cities fell short. Through her work in bridging the gap between the Arabic-speaking community of Revere, Asmaa Abou-Fouda is a clear winner of the Public Servant of the Month title.

Q: What does Revere mean to you?

A: I came to Revere in 2008 from my home country Egypt. I have lived here since then and all my five children grew up in the Revere Public Schools. I have worked with the community for the past 15 years. During the pandemic, I was a Covid ambassador where I helped residents with food



Asmaa poses with her sons Mohamed and Mahmoud.

assistance, rental assistance, vaccines, and other resources. I also translated the Mayor's weekly press releases and recorded daily Revere TV videos to inform the Arabic community about resources and updates. Revere is my home and I want to continue working and giving back to my community.

Q: What do you do for the City of Revere?

A: I'm the Language Access Specialist working to ensure all information released by the city is translated into all major languages, such as Spanish, Arabic, and Portuguese. From flyers to videos, I work to ensure everyone has access to all resources and updates! I am also on the City Disability Commission to help families with kids with disabilities and get them the help they need, and I run the Revere Arabic Community Face-

book page. It is important to translate materials to make sure all members of the community are involved in decisions affecting them as well as have an equal opportunity to resources.

Q: What is the Revere Arabic Community Facebook page and why did you create it?

A: I created the Revere Arabic community Facebook earlier this year to make an easily accessible page for the Arabic community. Available resources and opportunities are all sent out in Arabic. This page now serves as a bridge between me and the Arabic community and has reached almost 1k members in less than a year.

Q: What do you wish more people in the City knew about your work?

A: I wish for everyone in the city to know about and have access to all the translations and resources available to them, that way they feel included and aware of the tools available to them. I also want people to know that my role is also under the Talent and Culture department and I want to represent the different cultures in Revere. For example, I helped in the Flag Raisings of Latin Flags, helped the city host a watch party for the World Cup, and hosted the first Ramadan Iftar Dinner 2022. I want to continue representing more cultures.

## THE ZONTA CLUB OF CHELSEA & THE NORTH SHORE NEWS

The Zonta Club of Chelsea & North Shore recently held their annual holiday gathering at Lime Restaurant in Chelsea. At this gathering their Slate of Officers were installed and they installed a new member to the club, Lee Farrington, a Chelsea resident. At this time, they held a collection of toys for the holidays which will be donated to the Salvation Army in Chelsea.



New member Lee Farrington being installed by Georgia Green, Recording Secretary.



Members of the Club gather for a group photo during their annual holiday gathering.



Installed officers- left to right, Liza Fama- Treasurer, Georgia Green-Recording Secretary, Christine DePrizio-Corresponding Secretary, Janice Tatarka-President, Mary Jane O'Neill-Vice President.

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# National Grid prepares for winter storm to impact Massachusetts

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National Grid is preparing for this storm by securing more than 300 field-based crews and about 1,000 personnel as part of the company's emergency response operations. This includes overhead line, forestry, contractors, underground, damage assessment, wires down, transmission, and substation workers.

The company has been preparing for the storm for several days, and is continuing to monitor the

weather, communicating with local officials, first responders, and life support customers.

The Company offers the following tips and reminders:

Customers Should Stay Connected:

- Report power outages at [www.nationalgridus.com](http://www.nationalgridus.com) or call 1-800-465-1212.

- Use your mobile device to track outage information and storm-related safety tips through National Grid's mobile site accessible at [www.ngrid.com/mobile](http://www.ngrid.com/mobile).

- Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter and Instagram; we post all the latest storm and restoration updates. News Release

National Grid Prepares

for Winter Storm to Impact Massachusetts

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- Track outages and estimated restoration times at [www.nationalgridus.com/outage-central](http://www.nationalgridus.com/outage-central)

- To stay connected during storms and outages, text to 64743 using any of the below commands.

- o REG to sign up for text alerts

- o OUT to report an outage

- o SUM followed by your town, county, or state to get a summary of outages in your area

- o HELP for the full list of commands

Stay safe:

- Never touch downed power lines, and always assume that any fallen lines

are live electric wires. If you see one, report it immediately to National Grid or your local emergency response organization.

- Power problems can sometimes interrupt public water supply systems or disable well pumps, so it's an especially good idea to keep a supply of bottled drinking water handy, as well as some canned food.

- People who depend on electric-powered life support equipment, such as a respirator, should let National Grid know. To register as a life support customer, call the company's Customer Service Center at 1-800-322-3223.

- Check on elderly family members, neighbors and others who may need assistance during an outage

period.

Electric safety:

- If you use a generator to supply power during an outage, be sure to operate it outdoors. Before operating generators, disconnect from National Grid's system by shutting off the main breaker located in the electric service panel. Failure to do this could jeopardize the safety of line crews and the public.

- If you lose power, turn off any appliances that were on when the power went off, but leave one light on so you will know when power is restored.

Gas Safety

- If you suspect a natural gas leak:

- Get Out - All occupants should leave the house immediately. Do not use the

telephone or light switches for any reason.

- Call Us - After leaving the house and reaching a safe environment, call the National Grid 24-hour gas emergency numbers:

- New England: 1-800-640-1595

- Stay Out - Do not return to your home until National Grid tells you it is safe.

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# Officials remind residents about the importance of flu and COVID-19 vaccinations

Staff Report

With flu season underway, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) is reminding residents of all ages to get vaccinated. Flu activity across the country is higher than usual so far this year. Residents can get both a flu shot and a COVID-19 booster in the same visit.

"This flu season, residents can protect themselves and their families by getting a flu vaccine even if they haven't gotten a vaccine in years past," said Public Health Commissioner Margret Cooke. "It's easy to get your flu shot along with your COVID-19 booster if you're eligible for one, and both vaccines are widely available."

The flu can lead to serious illness, hospitalization, or death. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that there have already been 13 million cases, 120,000 hospitalizations, and 7,300 deaths due to flu this season. The most common symptoms of flu are fever, cough, and sore throat. Symptoms can also include body aches, headaches, chills, runny nose, and fatigue.

Flu vaccination is especially important for people who are at higher risk of severe disease which could result in hospitalization or death. People at higher risk include those who are over age 65 or under 2 years, and anyone with a chronic respiratory condition, heart disease, a weakened immune system, or who is pregnant. Antiviral medications, such as Tamiflu, are available with a prescription to help reduce disease severity.

"Everyone over the age of 6 months is eligible for both the flu and COVID vaccines and can receive both vaccines at the same time. Spending time around more people increases the chances you will be exposed to one or more viruses," said Dr. Larry Madoff, Medical Director of DPH's Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences. "The current flu vaccine is a good match to the circulating strains and gives you the antibodies you need to help fight off infection."

COVID and flu vaccines are both widely available for everyone 6 months and older. Other actions that people can take to help prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses like the flu and COVID-19 include staying home when sick, keeping children home from daycare or school if sick, covering coughs and sneezes, and practicing good handwashing hygiene.

More information on how to find a flu and/or COVID-19 vaccine site near you can be found here. Information about influenza and COVID-19 is available by visiting [mass.gov/influenza](https://mass.gov/influenza) or [mass.gov/covid19](https://mass.gov/covid19), calling your health care provider, local board of health, or DPH at (617) 983-6800.

# LODGE OF ELKS 1171 DELIVERS ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER BASKETS TO LOCAL FAMILIES



The Revere Lodge of Elks annually prepares dinner baskets for the holiday season, to help Revere families in need. Members are asked to submit names and addresses of families that may need a little help with the holiday dinner menu. This year RHS students Sophomore Victoria Constantineau and Freshman Jackson Martel stopped down to help with the task for community service, led by mentor Mary Ann Gaff. The baskets were prepared and set for delivery last Sunday morning. Shown above, Winthrop Lodge of Elks 1171 on Shirley Ave with RHS students Victoria Constantineau and Jackson Martel, advisor Mary Ann Gaff, Lodge Secretary Laura Smith and members Moe Mahoney and James Hannon.

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# NFPA urges caution as Christmas and Christmas Eve are among leading days of the year for U.S. home fires

Special to the Journal

Many hallmarks of the holiday season, including Christmas trees, holiday decorations, and festive meals, present potential fire hazards that contribute to an annual increase in U.S. home fires at this time of year. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Christmas Day and Christmas Eve are among the leading days of the year for home fires.

"December is a leading month for home fires, in large part because many of the activities we engage in during the holiday season reflect leading causes of home fires year-round," said Lorraine Carli, NFPA vice president of Outreach and Advocacy. "Plus, as colder temperatures impact much of the country, use of heating equipment increases significantly."

Fortunately, Carli notes, the majority of winter fires can be prevented with a little added awareness and planning.

"By knowing where potential fire hazards exist and taking some basic safety precautions to prevent them, people can enjoy a festive, fire-free holiday season," said Carli.

The NFPA Winter Holidays page offers a wide variety of tips and resources to reduce the risk of fires, while the latest NFPA statistics underscore the increased risk of fire during the holiday season and beyond:

- Christmas Trees
  - An estimated average of 160 home fires involving Christmas trees caused two civilian deaths, 11 civilian injuries, and \$12 million in direct property damage per year between 2016 and 2020.
  - Some type of electrical distribution or lighting equipment, including decorative lights, was involved in more than two of five (44 percent) of home Christmas tree fires. Nearly one in five Christmas tree fires (19 percent) were started by decorative lights.
  - The majority (74 percent) of Christmas tree fires occur in December and January.
- Decorations
  - An estimated average of 790 home fires that began when decorations (other than Christmas trees) caught fire caused an average of one civilian death, 26 civilian injuries and \$13 million in direct property damage per year between 2015 and 2019.
  - One in five home decoration fires occurred in December.
  - Year-round, 35 percent of home decoration fires began with candles; in December, the number jumped to 45 percent.
  - In more than two of every five fires (44 percent) involving decorations, the decoration was too close to a heat source such as a candle, cooking or heating equipment.
- Candles
  - An estimated average of 7,400 home fires (2 percent) started by candles caused an average of 90 civilian deaths (three percent), 670 civilian injuries (6 percent), and \$291 million (4 percent) in direct property damage per year between 2015 and 2019.

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- Candle fires peak in December and January with 11 percent of candle fires in each of these months.
- In three of every five candle fires, the candle was too close to something that could catch fire.
- Christmas is the peak day for candle fires with roughly 2.5 times the daily average; Christmas Eve ranked second.
- Falling asleep was a factor in 10 percent of the home candle fires and 12 percent of the associated deaths.
- Cooking
  - Cooking is the leading cause of reported home fires (49 percent) and home fire injuries and the second-leading cause of home fire deaths.
  - Unattended cooking is the leading cause of home cooking fires.
  - Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires, followed by Christmas Day and Christmas Eve.
- Fires caused by heating equipment, the second-leading cause of U.S. home fires year-round, peak during the winter months, when temperatures drop and more people use heating equipment to keep their homes warm. Put a Freeze on Winter Fires, an annual NFPA campaign with the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), works to educate the public about ways to stay safe during the colder months, offering tip sheets and other resources to help reduce the risk of heating fires and other winter hazards.

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