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NEWS BRIEFS

GET UPDATED COVID-19 BOOSTER OR VACCINATION – AND \$75 GIFT CARD – DURING SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

New COVID-19 vaccination clinics offering a \$75 gift card incentive have been scheduled in communities across the state during school vacation week, providing a free, convenient and accessible way for adults and children stay up to date on COVID vaccinations.

As part of a special promotion, all Massachusetts residents ages 6 months and older who get vaccinated (first dose, second dose, or booster) at participating Get Boosted clinics will receive a \$75 gift card, while supplies last.

In Revere, a Community Clinic at Women Encouraging Empowerment, 50 Walnut Ave., will be held Tuesday, Feb. 21 from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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SEAS THE DAY RESTAURANT RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY AT 320 REVERE BEACH BLVD.



Jimmy Pham (front row, center) and his family welcomed Mayor Brian Arrigo and other city officials to a ribbon-cutting ceremony Saturday for the new Seas The Day Restaurant, located at 320 Revere Beach Boulevard. Among the community leaders participating in the ceremony and wishing Mr. Pham much success in his new venture, are, from left, Chamber of Commerce President Patrick Lospennato (back row, third from left) Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky, Economic Development Director John Festa, State Rep. Jeff Turco, Mayor Brian Arrigo, Ward 5 Councilor John Powers, and Councilor-at-Large Marc Silvestri.

Dispute continues over facility proposed for Arcadia Street

By Adam Swift

A 24-bed facility proposed for 84 Arcadia Street will help provide services for homeless people in Revere, and falls under a specific zoning ordinance relative to restorative and educational houses, according to Revere attorney Gerry D'Ambrosio, who represents the Oak Island developers of the property.

However, neighbors state that a dead end street in a residential neighborhood is not a suitable location for what is being

proposed.

The facility will be operated as a non-profit, and Boston-based Bay Cove Human Services will provide services for those at the facility, which targets the existing homeless population of Revere, according to the attorney.

The project was before the city's Site Plan Review Committee on Tuesday morning. D'Ambrosio said that committee looks at the construction of the building itself, and not the use.

Because the use is de-

finied as a restorative/educational facility under Revere zoning and the state's Dover amendment, D'Ambrosio said it does not need approval for the use by the Zoning Board of Appeals or the City Council.

This week, D'Ambrosio said he wanted to correct some misinformation about the project.

"It's not a shelter, it's not a detox center, and it's not a drug rehab facility," said D'Ambrosio.

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Affordable Housing Trust holds monthly meeting

By Journal Staff

The board of the Revere Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday evening, February 8, in the City Council Chambers.

On hand for the session were chair Joe Gravelle and members Laila Pietri and Anayo Osueke.

Osueke, who is the treasurer and the chair of the AHTF's Fundraising Subcommittee, reported that he has been delving into the mechanics of public and private fundraising, as well as understanding what his role as treasurer entails.

The board heard from Lor Holmes of the Revere Housing Coalition (RHC). Holmes present-

ed a slide deck and told the board that the goal of the RHC, which came together just before the start of the pandemic and has open membership for Revere residents, is to have a "neighborhood conversation" about affordable housing.

"Housing affordability and shared community benefits should be at the center of community development," according to a slide that Holmes presented.

"The highest benefits should be spread around to the most," she said. "Housing is a complicated issue, but our group focused on a single issue -- we want more affordable housing. We want to be a positive presence in the process of

developing housing policy and community strategies," Holmes said.

Another slide noted that "displacement is an urgent crisis" and that at least 700+ units of affordable housing are needed for Revere to meet the state-mandated threshold of 10 percent of affordable housing in every city and town.

"When you look at priorities to focus on, what is top of mind for you?" asked Gravelle.

"We need to fight for folks in the community, to fight against the losses -- we have to focus on a resident's right to remain in this community," replied Holmes. "It makes me sad when youngsters graduate and are unable to afford a condo or an apartment. And as for our seniors, there is not enough affordable housing. Let's embrace some strategies in order to keep our residents that we've got. We need to develop more affordable housing even if it means slowing down on the high-end development, because there is no affordable

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Councillor McKenna calls for restoration of Revere Beach structures

By Adam Swift

Revere Beach is the city's major tourist destination, but many of the features along the beach have been left to deteriorate and decay, according to Ward 1 City Councillor Joanne McKenna.

At last week's council meeting, McKenna introduced a motion looking for help from the city's legislators and the Department of Conservation and Recreation to make repairs to the gazebos, pavilions, lighting, and other historic features along the beach.

McKenna said Revere resident Arthur MacDonald provided her with photos highlighting the deterioration along Revere Beach.

"We have spent millions of dollars on this beach developing apartments, restaurants, and hotels, bringing people from all over the country and the world to Revere Beach," said McKenna. "If you look at the license plates, you can see this holds true. The city has even created a tourist department to bring people here."

But when those tourists come to the city and look

out at the beach, McKenna said they see the deplorable condition of the pavilions, the gazebo, and the artifacts along the beach.

"This is the history of our beach, our city, and we are going to lose this if we don't take action or care of it now," she said. "I am asking the city, along with our legislators and DCR to work together to come up with some grants and money to restore and preserve these historical pavilions, light poles, and gazebo ... so they can be admired by folks that visit our city and for the generations that follow us."

Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino noted that there may be money available for that restoration and preservation from a bond bill that was passed almost five years ago. He said an environmental bond bill included \$10 million for repairs and improvements to the Revere Beach Reservation, including but not limited to the renourishment of Revere Beach, repairs to any failing sea walls, transportation improvements, and restorations to pavil-

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ST. JEANS, GARFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL PARTNER TO INCREASE FINANCIAL LITERACY



St Jean's Credit Union works with Garfield Middle School in Revere to educate students on Financial Literacy. Students create a business model and earn "bucks" throughout the semester that are used at an end of program auction. One of the auction items is a set of Red Sox tickets donated by St. Jean's Credit Union Board Member and Ward 2 City Councilor Ira Novoselsky. Ira joins the winner of the Red Sox tickets, Marco Spiriti.



Council President Keefe raises potential of public safety HR employee

By Adam Swift

City Council President Patrick Keefe said he thinks the city should consider hiring a human resources professional specifically for Revere's public safety professionals.

I think a standard practice would be to have a human resources professional," said Keefe. "That doesn't always mean someone from within the ranks, certainly there are things like internal affairs that should be, but I think having someone with some outside experience with benefits (would be helpful)." Keefe said the HR professional for public safety would be about more than a person that employees of those departments could go to with complaints.

"Sometimes, it is the place to help employees, there could be employee assistance programs, that certainly the city of Revere offers, and I think that expanding that and having some sort of a role that focuses primarily on public safety departments would be very helpful."

Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto said he didn't question the reason the idea was brought forward, but said it likely deserved some more discussion in subcommittee. Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino asked Keefe if he had a salary in mind for the position.

Keefe said the position would not necessarily be a manager's position, but would operate under the existing structure of the city's human resources department. Items such as salary and where the position would fall under the current city structure could be discussed further in the ways and means subcommittee meeting.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN Academic Honors

EAVES EARNS DEAN'S LIST HONORS

Jillian Eaves, of Revere, earned dean's list honors at The University of Tampa for the Fall 2022 semester. Eaves is majoring in Education-Elementary (K-6) BS. Students must maintain a GPA of 3.75 or higher to be eligible for the dean's list. The University of Tampa

is a private, comprehensive university located on 110 acres on the riverfront in downtown Tampa. Known for academic excellence, personal attention and real-world experience in its undergraduate and graduate programs, the University has about 200 programs of study and serves about 11,000 students from 50 states and most of the world's countries.

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THE ZONTA CLUB OF CHELSEA & THE NORTH SHORE NEWS



Bonnie Fishman is celebrated by the Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore. A brunch in Bonnie's honor was held at The Marina at the Wharf in Revere on Jan. 22. Bonnie has been a long-time member of the Zonta Club. She and her husband, Ron are relocating to San Diego. We all wish them the best on their move!
Shown above, seated left to right: Janice Sikorski, Bonnie Fishman, Mary Jane O'Neill
Standing left to right: Pam Miller, Georgia Green, Liz Fama, Christine DePrizio, Janice Tataraka, Joan Lanzillo-Hahesy, Barbara Lawlor

Revere Beach //

ions and period lighting structures.

"So there is money," said Serino. "The bond bill is kind of like Monopoly money; it's not always expended, but it is at the governor's discretion."

Serino said the use of money in the bond bill likely expires by the end of the year, and suggested that local state legislators and they mayor reach out to the Healey/Driscoll administration about having funds released for the Re-

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vere Beach improvements.

"Maybe the mayor can help leverage his relationship with the new governor and lieutenant governor ... to put some of that money out of the bond to go towards this," said Serino. "It's a matter of releasing it. The Baker administration only cared about putting meters on the beach, hopefully, the Healey/Driscoll administration will be a little more amenable to helping Revere Beach."

WHIP CLARK ANNOUNCES NEARLY \$4 MILLION FOR CLIMATE AND FOOD SECURITY IN REVERE

In total, Clark secured more than \$20 million in federal funding for the Fifth Congressional District

Democratic Whip Katherine Clark (MA-5) announced that she has secured nearly \$4 million in the Fiscal Year 2023 federal budget for two community projects in Revere. The funding will improve the City's climate resiliency and help families struggling with food insecurity. "Nearly \$4 million is

coming to Revere to improve our climate readiness and fight hunger," said Democratic Whip Katherine Clark. "This is a win for the people of Revere and a win for our planet. I'm proud to have worked with Mayor Arrigo and our community partners to secure these investments and build a more sustainable, more equitable tomorrow."

"As the mayor of a rapidly growing coastal city, investments in climate resiliency and food security are vital to improve the livelihood of our residents," said Mayor Brian Arrigo. "\$4 million is transformative for the Revere Food Hub and the Riverside Climate Resiliency Project. I am thank-

ful for Democratic Whip Katherine Clark's advocacy for this funding and am hopeful this will have a lasting impact on Revere and the surrounding communities."

In total, Clark secured over \$20 million for local community projects in the Fifth District, including nearly \$11 million specifically to improve climate resiliency.

The projects include: Grow in Revere Food Hub Project – Revere: \$2,000,000

This funding will increase the Hub's capacity to meet demand and improve access for people with disabilities, ensuring that some of Revere's most vulnerable residents are able to find healthy

food options. Additionally, it will allow the Hub to fix essential HVAC and electrical systems. Together, all of these improvements will help bolster food security throughout the City.

Riverside Climate Resiliency Project – Revere: \$1,977,220

As a seaside community in MA-5, Revere is especially vulnerable to the impacts of climate change-induced flooding, storms, and sea-level changes. This funding will mitigate current climate change stressors on the RiverFront Area in Revere, and prepare for the ongoing impact of worsening climate change, sea-level rise and extreme weather events.



Revere TV
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SPOTLIGHT

This month's Human Rights Commission Meeting included a guest, Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards. Senator Edwards was present to talk about Black History Month but regretted not attending any of these meetings before. She discussed the recognition of Black history as part of American history, normalized protocols that are rooted in racism and present in our community, and she mentioned the importance of the Human Rights Commission to the City of Revere. There is much more to this meeting as well. Watch the Human Rights Commission meeting and all other government meetings throughout the next few weeks on RTV GOV or at your convenience on YouTube.

Senator Edwards continues her appearances on RevereTV by leading an episode of "What's Cooking, Revere?" She was in the kitchen studio last Friday and this new episode will be premiering next week! Watch all new episodes of RTV's cooking shows on Wednesdays at 7pm. These programs replay in the weeks following the premieres and can also be found on the RevereTV YouTube page. Be sure to tune in to the RTV Community Channel on Wednesday evenings at 7pm to get the first look at each episode. Episodes will be of "What's Cooking, Revere?," "Cooking Made Simple," "Cooking with the Keefe's," and "Fabulous Foods with Victoria Fabbo."

The Revere Public Health Division recorded this month's episode of "Focus on Health," perfectly timed with Valentine's Day, about heart health. Department of Public Health Director Lauren Buck interviewed a medical doctor that specializes in cardiology to talk about risks of heart disease and ways you can work on keeping your heart healthy. "Focus on Health" will be playing on RevereTV every weekday over the next month. You can watch this episode particularly in the mornings and early afternoons. The episode will also be posted to YouTube.

There is no "Game of the Week" on RevereTV this week for Revere High School Basketball, but RTV will be covering a double header of Senior Nights for both the boys and girls teams. Both games are on Tuesday, February 21 starting at 2:30pm. The girls team plays first against Hamilton-Wenham, and the boys play at 4:00pm against Hamilton-Wenham too. RevereTV will air both games live on the Community Channel, Facebook, and YouTube. The games will then repeat on the channel and stay posted to social media. Recordings will include the Senior Night ceremonies that will take place before each game.

Housing Trust //

housing that is being developed now."

The board heard an update from Tom Skwierawski, the city's Chief of Planning and Community Development, who told the board of the need for a "housing production plan" for which he will be seeking funding from the AHTF and from the city's ARPA funds.

He also discussed, in response to a question from

Gravallese, the issue of hiring a consultant who would be able to take the AHTF's goals and turn them into reality by accessing available local, state, and federal funds.

"I'd be interested in getting some help for when the rubber meets the road," said Gravallese.

Skwierawski also briefly discussed the action plan recently submitted by the city relative to

the new state law that requires every city and town to comply with a housing production plan.

He also noted the potential for funding from the state for new affordable housing buildings and infrastructure to support new development.

The board also briefly discussed adopting a statement of its goals, which Gravallese enumerated as possibly including the fol-

lowing: Provide support for low-income, elderly, and disabled renters in Revere to avoid the displacement of Revere residents who rent; encourage and support first-time buyers who wish to stay in the city; support low-income and elderly homeowners with the rising cost of home ownership, and encourage the development of deed-restricted affordable housing.

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Senator Edwards and Representative Connolly launch Housing for All Caucus

Special to the Journal

Senator Lydia Edwards and Representative Mike Connolly, joined by 60 of their colleagues, launched the Housing for All caucus in the Massachusetts Legislature. At the inaugural meeting, legislators presented their priority housing policy ideas for the current legislative session on a myriad of topics including: homelessness prevention, tenant protections, support for first-time homebuyers, affordable housing production, zoning reform, revenue to support local affordability, anti-discrimination, and civil rights.

“I am proud to launch the Housing for All caucus with Senator Lydia Edwards and so many of our legislative colleagues,” Representative Mike Connolly (D-Cambridge) said.

“Today’s affordable housing emergency is without any precedent in modern history, so it requires all of us to come together to seek consensus on comprehensive solutions that can address each aspect of this ongoing crisis.”

“I’m thankful to be joined by Representative Mike Connolly and many of my colleagues from the legislature in this work,” said Senator Lydia Edwards (D-Boston). “Every day I hear from families in my district who are facing eviction, rent increases, and housing instability. I am committed to using every tool available to address the housing crisis, deliver immediate relief to families in need, and to work collaboratively to create a system that makes housing truly affordable for all.”

The purpose of the caucus

is to build consensus for policies addressing all aspects of the housing crisis. Initial areas of interest include: advancing the vision of Housing as a Human Right, working to end housing discrimination in all its forms, building support for local affordable housing policies and programs, and working with DHCD Secretary and the future Secretary of Housing to improve systems currently in place. The caucus will achieve these aims by supporting legislation, advancing budget priorities, expanding the knowledge base of members, staff, and the public, and by building collaborative relationships with the administration, legislative leadership, local housing authorities and affordable housing developers, and other key community

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stakeholders.

The Housing for All caucus is being founded by a total of 61 legislators. In addition to Sen. Edwards and Rep. Connolly, members currently include those listed in the table above.

REVERE Through the Years

10 years ago
February 13, 2013

While warmer temperatures over the last few days have erased a bit of the memory and the mounds of snow from the Blizzard of 2013, known as Winter Storm Nemo, city officials and many residents have yet to completely forget the high winds and heavy snow that blanketed Revere over a period of 18 hours last weekend with two feet of snow and some minor flooding. In addition, Logan Airport registered wind gusts of 76 mph at 10:30 p.m. on Friday. One positive that was noted was the use of the new Wonderland MBTA garage, which was offered to residents at a discounted price. Councillors Ira Novoselsky, Tony Zambuto, John Powers and others said the program should be expanded. Congressman Ed Markey (D-Mal-

den) made an appearance at Short Beach in Beachmont on Saturday once the storm had died down. He pledged to do everything he could to bring federal help to Revere.

Beautiful Creatures, Escape from Planet Earth, and A Good Day to Die Hard are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
February 19, 2003

City Council President John Jordan has kicked the upcoming political season into high gear with his impromptu announcement Sunday morning at a breakfast at DeMaino's that he will be a candidate for mayor to challenge incumbent Thomas Ambrosino. Jordan blamed Ambrosino for a lack of development in the city and asserted that Revere was better off 30 years ago than it is today.

Revere turned into a Winter Wonderland thanks to the huge snowstorm that dumped more snow on the Northeast than the legendary Blizzard of '78. However, there was none of the flooding that accompanied the Blizzard of '78.

State budget cuts by Gov. Mitt Romney will

result in the elimination of 71 school-based health centers across the state that serve 32,000 poor children each year.

The Life of David Gale, Old School, and The Jungle Book 2 are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago
Feb. 17, 1993

Mayor Robert Haas held a press conference this week to make the case for Suffolk Downs as the site for the proposed new Boston Garden.

City Auditor Andrew Bisignani said this week that the MWRA has projected hikes of 19 percent for water and sewer rates for local residents. State Rep. Robert DeLeo will lead a delegation of local officials to Washington, D.D., to seek federal funds for assistance with the costs of the Boston Harbor cleanup.

State Transportation Secretary James Kerasiotes said the state has no intention of razing the abandoned, five story con- dary project at the Point of Pines which stands on the railroad right of way, even though the state may decide to use the right of way for an extension of



Shown above during the 1992 Revere Parks and Recreation's Talent Show at the Lincoln School in the 11-12 age group are performers, (kneeling, left to right) Gina Albanese, Meredith Scalafani, Krissy Boyce, and Janice Sparks. Standing (left to right) are Nicole Meoli, Jacklyn Santo, Darliesha Lyons, Sabrina Fiore and Marla Misci.

the Blue Line to Lynn.

40 years ago
February 16, 1983

After a stormy public hearing and meeting, the School Committee voted 4-3 to close five of the city's schools, the Achenbach, Roosevelt, Shurtleff, Barrows, and Liberty, to save money. After the vote, Committeeman William Cintolo said he will be retiring from political life in the city. The closings were endorsed by Supt. William Hill and Mayor George V. Colella. However, more than 400 persons were on hand for the public hearing and almost all were against the closings. However, Revere Teachers Association Pres. Richard Champa spoke in favor of the proposal, citing the need for the School Department to balance its budget.

Two persons, a 24 year old woman and a 29 year old man, died in a fire at 29 Hutchinson Street Friday morning. The home is under the administration of the Revere Housing Authority.

Mayor George V. Colella said that the city is making it through the third year of the implementation of Prop. 2 and 1/2 in his State of the City address, but that the city still faces many challenges.

The Dark Crystal is playing at the Kincade Theatre in Winthrop.

50 years ago
February 15, 1973

Revere Police Detective Joseph T. Moretti, 52, is fighting for his life after being shot in the face with a shotgun when he and two other officers responded to a silent alarm at the Esquire Club on Lee Burbank Highway

Tuesday night. The two gunmen, who were in the midst of robbing the bar and its patrons, made good their escape after the shooting. Moretti reportedly will lose one eye as surgeons try to remove 35 shotgun pellets from his face. Although he is in stable condition, doctors fear the risk of a blood clot.

The Rev. James J. Rafferty, pastor of Immaculate Conception parish, said that Immaculate Conception High School will close its doors at the end of this school year. A survey of parishioners indicated that it is not financially feasible to operate the school without nuns as teachers. However, the grammar school, which uses both nuns and lay teachers, will continue to operate. Unlike other area parochial high schools which charge \$500 and more for tuition, IC's 126 high school students pay only \$75, with the parish picking up the rest of the cost. The Sisters of St. Joseph announced in December that they no longer will be able to staff the school. The sisters said that between 1966-71, only 20 new nuns joined the order, whereas 294 left the sisterhood, 112 died, and 137 had retired.

The City Council has voted 7-4 to oppose the handling of the new Revere High School furnishings contract by Mayor William G. Reinstein. Councilor John F. Dobbyn, who made the motion, noted that the firm selected by Reinstein has no experience in the realm of educational facilities.

Fiddler on the Roof, held over for a second week, is playing at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago
February 14, 1963

The Rev. Robert E. Gallagher, who was ordained to the priesthood February 2, said his first Mass Saturday morning before a large gathering of friends and relatives at Immaculate Conception Church.

The School Committee has voted to increase the price of milk in the schools by a penny, from three cents to four cents. The increase will be used to purchase 17 new coolers used in storing the milk.

Rev. Timothy M. Howard is the new pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, succeeding Rev. John M. Cunningham, who passed away December 15. Fr. Howard was ordained in 1937.

The City Council voted to trim \$107,393 from the \$7 million budget submitted by City Manager Edward P. O'Toole by not approving pay raises for city employees which O'Toole had included in his budget.

Steve Reeves stars in The Trojan Horse at the Winthrop Theatre.

70 years ago
February 12, 1953

Fire Chief Thomas McCarrick's annual report notes that property losses from fire in 1952 in the city totaled \$128,000 and that four persons perished in blazes in the past year.

City Manager Edward P. O'Toole led a group of 75 residents and city officials to a hearing at the State House to demand that the MTA construct a footbridge over the MTA train tracks at Cove St.

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REVERE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOSTS NETWORKING NIGHT AT MISSION BEACH HOUSE



Luis Castillo, Danna Jimenez, Stephanie Rojo, Danny Naranjo, Marta Flores, and Francisco Rosa.



Gertrude Mageza, Paul S. Buonfiglio, Kori O'Hara, Erica Porizo, and RCC Executive Director Amanda Schepici-Portillo.



Marta Flores, Luis Castillo, and Selene Gomez.



Julie Rynkowski, Patrick Lospennato, Mike Carraglia, Amanda Schepici-Portillo, and Lucas Moya.

Cary Shuman Photos

The Revere Chamber of Commerce hosted its first Networking Night of 2023 on Feb. 8 at the Mission Beach House.

The guests enjoyed some business networking and dining on delicious appetizers.

The Revere Chamber of Commerce (RCC) has expanded to more than 70 members in Amanda Schepici-Portillo's first year as executive director.

Schepici-Portillo said the Chamber will host Networking Nights every other month throughout the year.



Revere High School Class of 2004 graduates, Nelson Licona and Amanda Schepici-Portillo.



School Committee member John Kingston, Jerry Dorr, RCC President Patrick Lospennato, and Juan Rosales.



Ashley Oullette, Julie Rynkowski, Paul Buonfiglio III, and Basma Sibibi.



Francisco Rosa, Erica Porzio, Marta Flores, RCC Executive Director Amanda Schepici-Portillo, Danna Jimenez, and RCC President Patrick Lospennato.

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three cities, including Revere, heard a talk from Congressman Thomas J. Lane on the incoming administration of Pres. Dwight D. Eisenhower and of the foreign and domestic problems facing the country. Lane said there is little chance that federal taxes will be decreased.

The School Committee merrily went on its way at its meeting this week, appropriating money for non-existent jobs and making more additions to the school budget, which it has yet to submit to the City Manager. Only two members of the committee, Paul Buonfiglio and Francis Farrell, voted against all of the appropriations.

The body of Pfc. Bernard A. Kinnally, who was killed in action in Korea on November 30, is on its way home for burial.

Rock Hudson stars in Lawless Breed at the Winthrop Theatre.

80 years ago February 18, 1943

All city employees will receive a pay raise of \$200 in the form of a war bonus thanks to an agreement worked out between Mayor Ray Carey and the City Council.

The local draft boards will send two groups consisting of 128 men for formal induction into the armed services next week.

The Rev. John C. Wilson has been assigned

to succeed Rev. Wilbur Ziegler at the First Methodist Church.

Miss Mary Powers, Revere's Grand Old Lady, who lives in the convalescent home operated by Mrs. Loretta McLain at 74 Garfield Ave., turns 101 this week. Miss Powers became an orphan when she was three days old when her father, a fisherman in Newfoundland, was lost at sea, and her mother died of shock upon hearing the news. She was taken in by relatives thereafter and came to the United States 65 years ago.

Marlene Dietrich, Randolph Scott, and John Wayne star in Pittsburgh at the Winthrop and State Theatres.

Upcoming Ash Wednesday services at Morningstar Catholic Collaborative

Morningstar Catholic Collaborative has released the following schedule of Ash Wednesday services for Parishes within its network:

- 9:00am Mass with Ashes at St. Mary's Church, 670 Washington Ave, Revere
- 6:30pm Mass with Ashes at Our Lady of Grace Church 59 Nichols Street, Chelsea
- 3pm distribution of Ashes at St. Mary's and Our Lady of Grace.

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Forum

THE SKY IS FALLING?

With U.S. jets shooting down numerous unidentified flying objects seemingly every day over North American air space in the past week, we're all wondering, "What the heck is going on?"

As this is being written, the only thing we know for sure is that the first object that was shot down off the coast of South Carolina was a Chinese spy balloon.

Our military reportedly has adjusted its radar to try to spot more incursions -- which explains why the last three objects were picked up, whereas previously they may have gone unnoticed -- but one thing that these incidents have taught us is that our radar detection apparatus needs a serious upgrade.

It's tempting to joke about it -- Saturday Night Live did a funny skit about the Chinese spy balloon. And for our part, as we were watching the home videos and comments made by civilians, it made us think of the episode from the old TV show "F Troop" from the 1960s (yes, we are that old) when a balloon was shot down with bows and arrows, whereas this balloon was shot down by an F-22 Raptor fighter jet.

But there are so many unanswered questions and so many theories. Were the three other objects that were shot down also spy aircraft from another country? And if so, from where? Or were they owned by a private entity that also might be doing some sort of covert surveillance? How about aliens from outer space?

We'll only know the full story when all of those aircraft are recovered and analyzed. And it wouldn't be surprising if a few more objects are shot down in the coming days.

But in the meantime, let's hope we don't become a nation of Chicken Littles.

THE VICTIMS IN TURKEY AND SYRIA NEED OUR HELP

The ongoing tragedy because of the devastating earthquake that struck the nations of Turkey and Syria is the worst humanitarian disaster the world has seen in many years.

More than 35,000 people have died and that number is sure to rise even further in the coming days.

Natural and other disasters in our part of the world have been barely a blip compared to what the people of Turkey and Syria are dealing with. To put the earthquake in perspective, the combined death toll from the Surf-side condo collapse in 2021 and Hurricane Ian in 2022 was 250. Both were terrible tragedies, but that number is less than one percent of the earthquake's death toll.

In addition, tens of thousands have been injured and millions more have been left homeless -- all told, this is a disaster of unimaginable proportions.

There are many international organizations from which to choose to assist with disaster relief efforts and we urge all of our readers who have the ability to do so to make a donation.

FOR PATS FANS, THE SUPER BOWL JUST ISN'T THE SAME

This past Sunday's Super Bowl game between the Eagles and the Chiefs certainly lived up to its hype.

But for those of us who were New England Patriots' fans for the two decades from 2001-19, the Super Bowl season just isn't the same.

Yes, on Sunday we marveled at Mahomes the Magician and rooted for Jalen Hurts, whose story has been so inspiring since his days at Alabama.

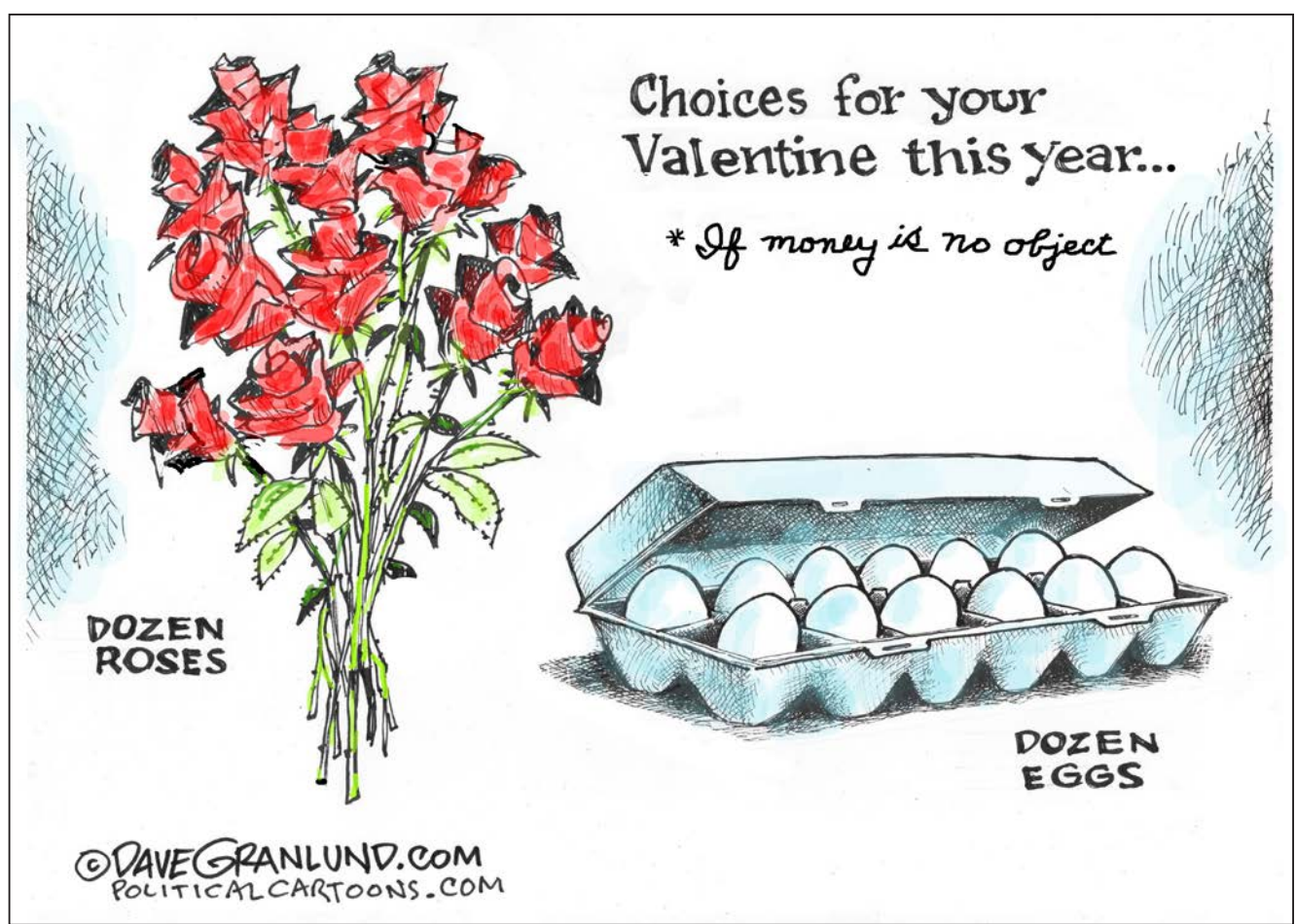
But the days when Foxboro was the center of the football universe -- the Pats were in nine Super Bowls in 18 years -- seem like only a distant memory, the likes of which never will be equaled again.

It was a good run, way better than anyone could have imagined when Adam Vinatieri kicked his game-winning field goal as time expired to win the 2002 Super Bowl.

Watching this past Sunday's Super Bowl served as a bittersweet reminder of our home team's former glory and the joy it brought to our region when our children wore their favorite Patriot player's jersey to school and everyone, it seemed, was glued to their TV sets.

But as we all know, all good things must come to an end.

And, not to be cynical, but with young quarterbacks like Mahomes, Josh Allen, and Joe Burrow in the AFC, it will be a long, long time before New England gets back to the big game.



LETTER to the Editor

THINKING ABOUT LOVE

Dear Editor,

With Valentine's Day yesterday, I'm sure many stores were busy with sales of cards, flowers and candy gifts for loved ones. Giving is a way to show love and affection for another. There are different forms of love: brotherly love, erotic-passionate love, and what scripture

calls agape love. Agape is the purest form of love, sacrificial and seeking the good of the other without expecting anything in return. Only God can love us like that! Humans have the capacity for sacrificial love, but much of it is tainted with some selfishness. A mother's love for her child often was compared to this kind of love. But abortion has marred even this illustration.

The human soul longs to be accepted and loved. All of us, no matter what race, age, gender, ethnic origin or economic status need to be loved. Jesus taught us that we are to love God with all our heart and mind and to love others as we love ourselves. By this, we would fulfill God's laws and what the Old Testament prophets taught.

The "Great Lover of

Our Soul", Jesus, is the one who can empower us to do this. On our own, we naturally do not seek God, let alone love Him. Often, we rebel against Him. If we ask, the Holy Spirit of God will truly help us to love God and others as we ought. He changes hearts of stone into hearts open to God's righteousness..

Lucia Hunter

GUEST OP-ED

Start solving the vocational admissions problem: improve access, create more seats

By Steven Sharek

It's no longer a secret that Massachusetts vocational-technical and agricultural high schools are a great option for students of all backgrounds who want to learn a trade and pursue a career. Unfortunately, there simply isn't enough space in these schools to accommodate the huge demand.

Right now, there are roughly 55,000 students in Chapter 74 state-approved vocational-technical and agricultural programs, with another 6,000 students on wait lists. At the same time, business and industry are crying out for skilled workers.

We can be proud of these schools. They excel in academic performance, graduation rates, and expanded programming that includes fields like environmental science; information technology; and medical, health, and dental assisting. Students excel because they enjoy the engaging, hands-on learning.

We are at a tipping point. With this lack of available seats and strong demand for vocational education, advocates, elected officials, and editorial writers are understandably concerned about whether students are being admitted equitably into our schools. Vocational school leaders are, too.

The current debate is centered on admissions policies and whether the adoption of a lottery system is the silver bullet for fixing any inequities, real or perceived. The reality is that a lottery does nothing to address the lack of

capacity and it does not guarantee desired enrollment outcomes.

As educators, we'd like to offer enrollment to everyone. We simply can't. We don't have the space. No lottery will ever change that. A lottery will just rearrange who sits in the seats, with 6,000 kids still on the outside looking in. With that in mind, we are working hard to conduct our admissions processes as fairly and equitably as possible:

-Since admissions regulations were revised by the state in 2021, 97% of vocational-technical and agricultural high schools have made changes in their admissions policies, personnel, or training. Clearly, our schools are serious about this effort.

-Grades are now less of a factor. Many schools now give equal consideration for grades of C or above, unlike before when student grades were more heavily emphasized.

-Disciplinary issues are now less of a factor. Minor disciplinary issues are no longer factored into the admissions process.

-Most schools require a recommendation, typically from a guidance counselor, and a brief interview to gauge a student's interest in vocational education. We are training interviewers on eliminating bias and are providing supports and accommodations for those applying, including easier access to interviews and translation services.

-The admissions changes only took effect recently so we have limited data to gauge whether the changes we've made are

making a real difference. One year of data doesn't make a trend. Moreover, our schools have no access to demographic information about the students who do not enroll. We need help from the state on this so we can make best-informed decisions.

-Finally, there's no guarantee that a lottery would actually help the protected groups of students that all of us want to help. In fact, simulations run by some of our schools have demonstrated that a lottery would yield exactly the opposite result. That is, a lottery would result in

lower numbers of enrolled students in some protected groups (just as one school experimenting with a lottery recently discovered).

Vocational-technical schools are continuously striving to serve under-represented populations. Consider special education. Five of the 10 school districts in Massachusetts with the largest percentages of students with disabilities are vocational-technical and agricultural high schools.

While there is strong sentiment on the both

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GUEST OP-ED

School bullying must stop, everyone must work together

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Four New Jersey teenagers have been charged in connection with the attack of a 14-year-old girl who later took her own life after video of the incident was posted on social media.

One juvenile is charged with aggravated assault, two juveniles are charged with conspiracy to commit aggravated assault and one juvenile is charged with harassment, Ocean County prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer told CBS News in an email. (cbsnews.com)

Adriana Kuch, 14, was found dead in her Bayville home on February 3, two days after the disturbing video of the attack at Central Regional High School was posted online. The video showed girls throwing a drink at the teen, then kicking and dragging her down school hallways. They pushed Adriana into red lockers lining the school hallways and one of the girls in a pink shirt punched Kuch repeatedly. (Source CBSNews.com)

When I was an elementary child riding the school bus, we had a few fights on the bus. One young man who didn't live that far from me was constantly getting into fights on the school bus. One day he had a kid down repeatedly

punching him in the face. The bus driver stopped the bus and escorted both boys off the bus while still a couple of miles from their homes. We then drove off and left them on the road. I don't recall seeing the fight continue as they now had to walk or hitchhike a ride to get home. Since the one boy was being beaten so bad, I don't think the driver made the best decision since the other kid could have finished him off on the rural road we were traveling. However, it did appear the fight had stopped as we drove off. Most likely not having a bus audience, bleeding and having to walk home changed the scenario.

In the sixties and seventies there were bad things that happened in schools that often got swept under the rug. With no social media kids usually ended up working it out or staying away from people we didn't like. Often many of us never took our school problems home because our parents had enough problems without having to worry about our school fusses. Or, we were afraid we might get in trouble at home.

School children face challenges. There are ongoing pressures from bullies who must be corralled and disciplined, dismissed

from school or in some cases put in a place where they can get rehabilitation and help for their psychotic issues. Locking a 14-year-old up in jail for years solves nothing. However, kids that bring about injury or death to another student need mental help and rehabilitation before being freed to invoke pain on someone again. Most likely if your family has lost a family member to a bully you want the offender locked up for life.

Even though my school era was not a perfect world Schoolteachers and principals had authority to paddle our butts. They had authority to discipline us, suspend us from school and could put bite with their bark. We knew the teachers ruled and we respected them. I can remember see paddling's that I never wanted to get and received a couple myself.

No school has the ability to patrol every corner of a school facility. Bullying, fights and bad things typically occur in unsupervised spaces. Schools can't hire enough security guards or have enough monitors to patrol ever corner.

Every day in every state in America a private school is starting or the

ground work is being formulated.

Ten years from now almost every city and even small community in America will have a private or faith-based school. Some of these will only be elementary schools but many have or will develop junior and senior highs. Such schools are not free of their own issues but parents across America are desperate for safe places for their kids. Parents want a place where there is zero tolerance of bullies and an administration who means business about protecting the children. They want an environment where their children can be mentored, taught and prepared better for life, college or to move into adult jobs.

Parents don't want a school who they feel is working against them or hiding things from them.

Life is like this. The world is like a jungle most days. There are bullies in the workplaces, neighborhoods and mean people can be found all over. This is why we have the right to call 911. We can file charges against people with the police. We should have the right to carry a firearm and defend ourselves. We have to work to help each other and protect each other.

Teachers, administrators, parents and students must work together for safety and security. Children and teachers must feel safe with an environment free from bullying,

hazing or intimidation. Kids should not have to wake up every day fearful of going to school. Neither should the school staff and parents.

The issue of bullying and school safety requires school boards, all staff, parents and students to work together. It's not a task for a few to accomplish but a job for us all.

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sides of the lottery debate, what all advocates of high quality vocational-technical education can agree on is this: The state can do more to help vocational schools and our potential students:

First, the state needs to make a massive capital investment in vocational school construction to create more seats. Second, our schools need unfettered access to our middle schools so we can inform

students, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, about the value of vocational education. Put another way, we need better access to reach the very students our detractors say are being excluded.

As demand for limited seats continues, we must work together to create opportunity and bright futures for all our high school students. Vocational-technical and ag-

ricultural high schools in Massachusetts will continue to do their part.

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project manager from LeftField who has been the main point person on the design, schedule, and costs, the estimate of the city's share of the cost after the expected MSBA grant now stands at just over \$290 million.

Several times during Monday's meeting, Dakin noted that time is money, and if the council does not approve the MSBA submission at the Feb. 27 meeting, it would mean additional costs and delays to the project.

While several councillors, chief among them Marc Silvestri and John Powers, spoke about the need to act quickly to make a decision on the project, several other councillors, including Dan Rizzo and Anthony Zambuto, continued to question the financial impact to the city of building on the Wonderland site.

Arrigo outlined how the city could handle the debt payments, which he said will start to reach about \$17 million per year in 2028, through a program of setting aside free cash and building permit fees among other monies into a high school building stabilization fund. The mayor said Richard Viscay, the city's Chief Financial Officer, will have more detailed information about the specific numbers at the next meeting on Feb. 27.

The mayor also noted that by about 2034, when city pension payment obligations are met and more new growth is realized through the massive Suffolk Downs development, the city will be able to more easily meet the debt payments for the high school project.

"We had a number of options that we placed on the table, and we certainly heard loud and clear that the council was not enthusiastic about some of the options that were presented at the time," said Arrigo. "As we've been

going through this process, as we've updated the cost and tried to manage that as much as we could, we started the process of starting to put together this financial plan."

Arrigo said the plan would utilize the high school building stabilization fund that the City Council approved.

"What we are proposing is that we would generate revenue into that stabilization fund," said Arrigo.

Among the revenue earmarked for the stabilization fund would be 30 percent of annual free cash, which Arrigo said typically averages about \$4 to \$5 million per year, and 50 percent of all building permit fees that are generated by Suffolk Downs. In addition, 50 percent of tax foreclosure funds that come into the city and 50 percent of all Community Investment Trust (CIT) Fund revenue would be put into the specialized stabilization account.

"The CIT funding, as many know and as many ward councillors know, when new development is happening in the city, on top of permit fees and other fees that developers are required to make, there is this community development trust fund that was created," said Arrigo.

The mayor noted that there are also several other potential funding sources that may end up in city coffers, including a potential cannabis excise revenue and gaming revenue, but those sources were not used in the school financing plan.

In addition, Arrigo said he wants to create a long-range financial planning committee to make sure all the pieces of the plan are working as they should and the projections are actually happening.

"This plan works if we are able to commit to capping spending in certain areas of general government, public safe-

ty, schools, public works, health and human services and cultural and recreation spending," said Arrigo.

Arrigo noted that the spending caps do not mean that there will be cuts and layoffs.

"These spending limits, I will say, will not be popular, but they are things that we have control over," said Arrigo. "I think what we have here is something that is minimally impactful to the taxpayer and something that is a plan that I hope everyone can get behind."

Rizzo said he was glad to hear that things like layoffs, trash fees, and other increased fees and permits appeared to be off the table.

However, he said he still cannot get behind the city building the new school at Wonderland.

"There are huge ramifications for this city building at Wonderland," said Rizzo.

While proponents of the Wonderland site have stated that there has been little interest in development on the site for decades, Rizzo said it doesn't mean there will never be private development on the approximately 33-acre parcel.

"I truly believe that we can generate enough revenue from that site long term that we can fund this new high school so that whatever we make from Suffolk Downs can go back to the general public," said Rizzo.

Zambuto also raised his long-held concerns that building on Wonderland would be a financial disaster for the city.

"The property is still valuable and can contribute to paying this enormous bond," said Zambuto, who said the city should build on the current high school site.

However, Dakin said increased construction costs and the delay in building at the current site would create an estimated

cost of \$535 million. He added that there is also the danger that the MSBA would decide to either not fund the grants, or make Revere get back in line for the application process.

"I've been telling people for years that Suffolk Downs was going to lower the tax rate, like we were all telling people when it was up for a proposal," said Zambuto. "How much of Suffolk Downs revenue are we going to have to use to pay for the high school?"

Arrigo said the proposal before the council only uses building permit fees

from Suffolk Downs, not the \$40 million or more annually the project is expected to provide in property taxes to the city at full buildout.

"When we get into Fiscal Year 35 and 40 and 45, the city is at a generous surplus because we will have that revenue coming in," said Arrigo.

Silvestri said it is time for the council to make a decision on the high school building project one way or the other.

"I'm not saying that is going to be an easy process, I'm not saying just build out and (then) worry

about how we pay for it," he said. "But as a body, we need to make a decision; we are going backwards in this process. This process has been going on for almost three years, and we have been sitting up here for almost two years talking about how we are going to do this and talking about going back to the other site.

"We've got to make a decision on this and if it's no, it's no, but we have to come up with one," Silvestri continued. "With further delays, it's only going to get more expensive."

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Richard “Dickie” Coscia

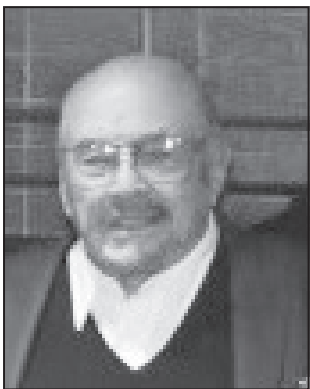
He was one of a kind and will be greatly missed by family and friends

Richard “Dickie” Coscia, a lifelong resident of Revere, passed away peacefully on February 10 surrounded by his family.

Richard took pride in his large family and his happiest times were spent with them. He had many passions, one of which was being a thoroughbred horse trainer. For those lucky enough to know him, he was one of a kind and will be greatly missed by family and friends.

He was the loving husband of 65 years to Scarlett (Quintina), beloved father of Courtney Sharad and her husband, Steven, grandfather of Saxton Sharad and his wife, Karen and Savannah Freedman and her husband, Joshua. He is also survived by great-grandsons Marston and Linden Sharad and three great granddaughters on the way.

Richard was born on July 2, 1935 - the youngest of 13 children of Nicola and Marianina Coscia; brother of the late Jose-



phine Reppucci and her husband, John, Jennie Anzuoni and her husband, Jimmy, Joseph Coscia and his wife, Edith, Eugene Coscia, Phillip Coscia, Phyllis Coscia, Anthony Coscia and his wife, Marie, Danny Coscia and his surviving wife, Marie, Millie Coscia, Gilda Coscia, Gloria Gazo and her husband, Joe and Robert Coscia and his surviving wife, Frances.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St, Revere on Monday, February 20 at 12 noon. Private Interment. For guest book, please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Phyllis Porcella

Retired medical transcriptionist

Phyllis (Alickman) Porcella of Lynnfield, formerly of Revere and Chelsea.

Before retiring, Phyllis worked as a medical transcriptionist for 35 years. She enjoyed nothing more than spending time with her family and friends. She was a planner by nature and often organized outings with her close knit friends. In her free time, she enjoyed cooking, reading, exercising, writing, drawing and painting. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

Born on February 7, 1948 and raised in Chelsea, she was the loving daughter of the late Benjamin Alickman and Ethel (Shanis) and step daughter of the late Rachel Alickman; beloved wife of Richard "Dickie" Porcella, adored mother of Ronda Malone and her husband, Christopher Malone of Danvers, cherished grandmother of Abigail and Matthew Malone, sister of Allen Alickman of W. Roxbury, and the



late Irwin Alickman and is also survived by her step sisters, nieces, nephew, and many loving cousins.

A Visitation was held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home 128 Revere St, Revere on Monday, February 13 followed by a Graveside Service at Puritan Memorial Park In Peabody. In lieu of flowers. donations can be made in Phyllis' name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave, Boston, MA 02215 or at www.dana-farber.org.

For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Barbara Tempesta

She put her family first and was always there for them

Barbara R. Tempesta has passed at 82 years

Family and friends attended Visiting Hours on Tuesday, February in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere for Barbara R. Tempesta, who passed away on Thursday, February 9 at the Lighthouse Nursing Care Center in Revere following a long and heroic battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Her Funeral Service will be held in the Funeral Home today, Wednesday, February 15 at 11 a.m., followed by interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Born and raised in Revere, Barbara was the daughter of the late Tullio and Violet (Lilly), sister to the late Elizabeth (and late husband, Anthony) Morico, the late Carol (and her husband, Nicholas) Giammarino, the late Robert and to Thomas (and his late wife, Donna), or the "ones", as she put it. She was the beloved aunt to many nieces and nephews (the "twos"); great-aunt to even more (the "threes"); and great-great aunt to several as well (the "fours").

Barbara adored her family and was very much a second mother to her nieces and nephews, and grandmother to their children, hosting annual Halloween parties, Easter breakfasts and dinner every Friday night for all who wanted to attend, as well as cheering them on at drum corps meets and sportingevents. She put her family first and was always there for them.

After graduating in the top 7% of her class from Revere High School in 1958, Barbara's career was spent at Chelsea Bottling Company in Chelsea, where she became the foreman. After retiring from Chelsea Bottle, the owner asked her to return until he could sell the business and retire himself. Although it was a tough physical job and her aching body needed a rest, she gave the company one more year because they needed her and she wouldn't let them down.

Barbara was an exceptionally caring and kind-hearted woman. She was the first one to offer help to those who needed it and would give you the shirt right off her back if you asked.

Barbara loved sports and often lamented that other than girls basketball (in which she participated while in high school), sporting opportunities for



girls were quite limited. With this in mind, Barbara became a manager, mentor, and coach to young girls on the Jazz softball team, of Revere Youth Softball (formerly St Mary's). She thoroughly enjoyed coaching and she loved each of those girls. It was like hitting the lottery to be placed on her team. She devoted herself to "her girls" for twenty years of summers, and she ran a winter team for several years as well. She was a staple at the field even when her own team wasn't playing.

In addition to sports, Barbara was fascinated with ancient Egypt and read everything she could get her hands on about it. She would have loved to have visited if she didn't have to cross an ocean to get there.

She also had a passion for elephants and amassed quite a collection of elephant figurines.

Barbara was feisty, opinionated and strong-willed to the core. She would fight for the little guy, the underdog, the oppressed, and would never back down from what she believed in. When given the devastating diagnosis of Alzheimer's, she was determined to not only fight it, but to fight the stigma attached to diagnoses of the brain and mental health. She was never embarrassed by her illness and had no qualms about stating her diagnosis publicly.

Barbara was one of a kind. She loved and was loved by not only her family, but so many other people who she touched. She was Auntie to everyone who knew her, and will be so very missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Lighthouse Nursing Care Center/Resident Council Fund, 204 Proctor Ave, Revere 02151. To send online condolences, please visit www.vsvfunerals.com.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care & direction of the Vertuccio, Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals.

Michelle Decoste

Of New Hampshire, formerly of Revere

Michelle Decoste died unexpectedly on January 25 at her residence. She was only 54 years old. The family is deeply saddened and shocked by her sudden passing.

She was born in Somerville, grew up in Revere and later moved to Derry, NH. Some of her greatest joys came from her family.

Michelle was always giving, very artistic and strong willed. She had an unquenchable thirst for knowledge and often spent time reading.

Michelle is survived by her only child, Bree Elle Shoop of Derry NH;

forever cherished and remembered by her sisters, Heather Hatch of Seabrook, NH and Margaret Hart of Plumas Lake, CA.

Her Memory lives on with her nieces and nephews: Chelsea Giordano and her husband, Christian of Woburn, Corey Hatch of Derry, NH, Samantha Kleeb of Plumas Lake, CA, Nicole Hart of Prattville, AL and Franklin Hart of Plumas Lake, CA. Michelle was predeceased by her mother, Barbara (Shanahan) Howland.

The family will hold a private celebration of life.

David Hunt

Motorcycle enthusiast

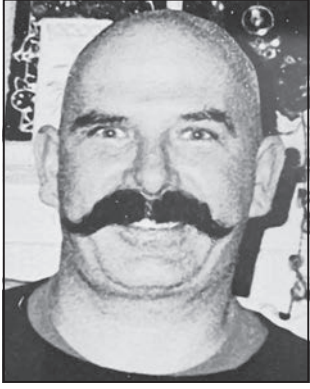
David B. Hunt has passed at 70 years

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, February 14 in the Immaculate Conception Church, Revere for David Brian "Dave" Hunt, formerly of Revere, who passed on February 4 from complications of a spinal cord injury.

David was born in 1952 to William J. and Mary (Merrick) Hunt. He attended Immaculate Conception grammar school and graduated from Revere High School in 1971 where he played varsity hockey. David worked as a professional truck driver for many years.

As a young man, David's interests were body building and martial arts, both at which he excelled. His real lifelong passion was owning, building and racing motorcycles, especially Harley Davidsons.

He was the beloved son of the late William J. Hunt, Jr. and Mary M. (Merrick) Hunt; cherished brother of Kathleen M. Phair and her late husband, Michael of Melrose, Barbara C. Hunt



of Saugus, John R. Hunt and his wife, Jennifer of Longmeadow and the late William J. Hunt, III, and the late Patricia M. Finneran; dear brother-in-law of Susan Hunt of Hillsboro, New Hampshire; adored uncle of P.J. and Michael Finneran, Erin and Melissa Phair, Brianne, Jennifer, Stephanie, Carly, Chloe and Liam Hunt and granduncle to Christopher and Nicole Finneran.

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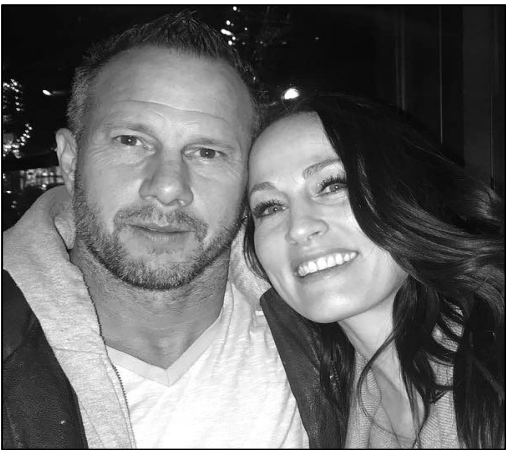
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Warren, Senators urge Biden Administration to take new steps to protect reproductive freedom

Special to the Journal

U.S. Senators Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), Mazie Hirono (D-Hawaii), Tina Smith (D-Minn.), Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Alex Padilla (D-Calif.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), Tammy Duckworth (D-Ill.), Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisc.), Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), and Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) sent a letter to President Biden, urging his administration to take new steps to protect reproductive freedom amid divided control of Congress and increasing efforts to restrict access to abortion.

“Each day, women’s lives are threatened because they are denied access to essential health care,” wrote the senators. “As President of the United States, you have a distinct role and responsibility to defend reproductive rights for all Americans and ensure those values are reflected in domestic and foreign policy. We urge you to continue using the resources of the entire federal government to mount a robust response to this crisis.”

After *Roe v. Wade* was overturned, Republican extremists doubled down on their attacks on reproductive freedom, endangering millions. In September 2022, Senate Republicans introduced legislation to ban abortion nationwide. House Republicans passed anti-abortion measures as their first order of business in the new Congress, and at least eighteen states eliminated all or some access to abortion. In some states, women have to travel over seven hours to find the nearest abortion facility. Health care providers are being forced to withhold life-saving care, and women suffering from miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and other complications face higher risks. Anti-abortion extremists have also filed numerous lawsuits to strip access even further, including a baseless lawsuit in Texas that seeks to eliminate access to medication abortion nationwide.

The senators applauded President Biden for taking

significant steps to protect access to reproductive health care services, including removing unnecessary requirements for medication abortion, inviting states to use Medicaid waivers to cover travel expenses for reproductive care, and increasing access to contraception under the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

The senators laid out eleven new steps the Biden administration can take to respond to this growing crisis:

1. Clarify the resources and support available to individuals seeking abortion care outside of their home state by issuing guidance detailing Americans’ right to travel under the interstate commerce clause and exploring additional opportunities to finance travel and support for those seeking abortions.
2. Continue efforts to protect the privacy and safety of abortion providers and patients by issuing new regulations to strengthen the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act to ensure that data cannot be shared with law enforcement and used to criminalize abortion providers or patients, and to ensure robust enforcement of the law.
3. Protect access to medication abortion. In light of the deeply concerning lawsuit in Texas, *Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. FDA*, which poses significant risks to medication abortion and FDA’s long-standing authority to regulate drugs in the United States, the administration should use every legal and regulatory tool at their disposal to keep this drug – which has a more than 22-year safety record – on the market. This includes any existing authorities, such as enforcement discretion, to allow mifepristone to remain available.
4. Continue to evaluate remaining restrictions on medication abortion by continuing to follow the science to determine if any remaining restrictions on the distribution of mifepristone, including patient consent forms, are medically unnecessary.

5. Ensure veterans, service members, beneficiaries, and other federal employees can access abortion care, and that Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense health care providers who perform covered abortions can act without retaliation.
6. Enforce “Free Choice of Provider” requirements. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) should more aggressively enforce federal laws that guarantee Medicaid beneficiaries the ability to seek family planning services from their provider of choice, and protect the existing right of people to access care from their provider of choice
7. Rescind harmful Executive Orders that undermine access to abortion, contraception, and other reproductive care.
8. Ensure enforcement of the women’s health preventive services benefit under the ACA by ensuring individuals with private health insurance have affordable access to the birth control of their choice.
9. Ensure undocumented individuals seeking abortions, and those who assist them, can access that care without fear of detention or deportation.
10. Ensure those held in federal custody can access abortion care by expanding and enforcing existing protections to safeguard the right to abortion for those who elect to receive these services while being held in federal custody.
11. Increase critical funding for domestic and global sexual and reproductive health services in the President’s 2024 Budget. The Budget Proposal should not include the Hyde Amendment or the Helms Amendment.

“In a post-Roe world, access to abortion care is increasingly limited nationwide. Medication abortion care has been safely used by millions since the FDA approved mifepristone more than 20 years ago. With access now on the line, the Biden administration must act swiftly to ensure this safe, FDA-approved medication remains available for those who want it,” said

Kirsten Moore, Director of the EMAA Project.

Senator Warren has called on the government to use every tool at its disposal to protect and expand access to reproductive care:

- On November 18, 2022, Senator Warren led eight of her colleagues in a letter encouraging the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to defend America’s reproductive rights, and to consider steps to protect and expand access to medication abortion.
- On November 1, 2022, Senator Warren, Duckworth (D-Ill.), Hirono, and Smith (D-Minn.) released a report – based on information provided by leading health care providers – revealing the devastating consequences of state abortion bans and restrictions enacted by right-wing legislatures and the impacts of Senate Republicans’ extreme proposal to ban abortion nationwide after 15 weeks.
- On August 4, 2022, Senator Warren, Mazie Hirono, and Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisc.) sent a letter to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) urging concrete actions the Department can take to help meet President Biden’s goal of protecting and expanding access to medication abortion.
- On July 29, 2022, Senators Warren and Hirono led 23 of their colleagues in a letter to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), calling on the VA to take immediate administrative action to offer abortions and all abortion-related services to veterans and eligible dependents
- On July 21, 2022, Senators Warren and Markey sent letters to Bark Technologies, Gaggly.net, GoGuardian, and Securly Inc., raising concerns that the software these companies use to monitor

students’ online activity could be used to criminalize or punish students who are seeking information about abortion services and reproductive health care.

- On July 19, 2022, Senators Warren, Smith, and Murray (D-Wash.) led a group of their Democratic colleagues in introducing the Expanding Access to Family Planning Act.
- On July 14, 2022, Senators Warren, Booker (D-N.J.), Padilla (D-Calif.) and over a dozen Senate Democrats wrote to President Biden and Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra, urging them to immediately declare national and public health emergencies over Americans’ access to reproductive care.
- On July 11, 2022, Senators Warren and Klobuchar (D-Minn.) sent letters to Facebook and Instagram, calling on them to address their reported censorship of posts related to abortion services, following the Supreme Court’s overturning of *Roe v. Wade*.
- On July 7, 2022, Senator Warren announced two key data brokers’ commitments to permanently stop selling the location data of people seeking abortion services.
- On June 25, 2022, following the Supreme Court’s decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, Senators Warren and Smith wrote an op-ed in the New York Times laying out the next steps in the fight to protect the right to an abortion, including calling for the declaration of a public health emergency.
- On June 23, 2022, Senators Warren and Bob Menendez (D-N.J.) and Representatives Carolyn Maloney (D-N.Y.) and Suzanne Bonamici (D-Ore.) introduced the Stop Anti-Abortion Disinformation Act, legislation that would crack down on

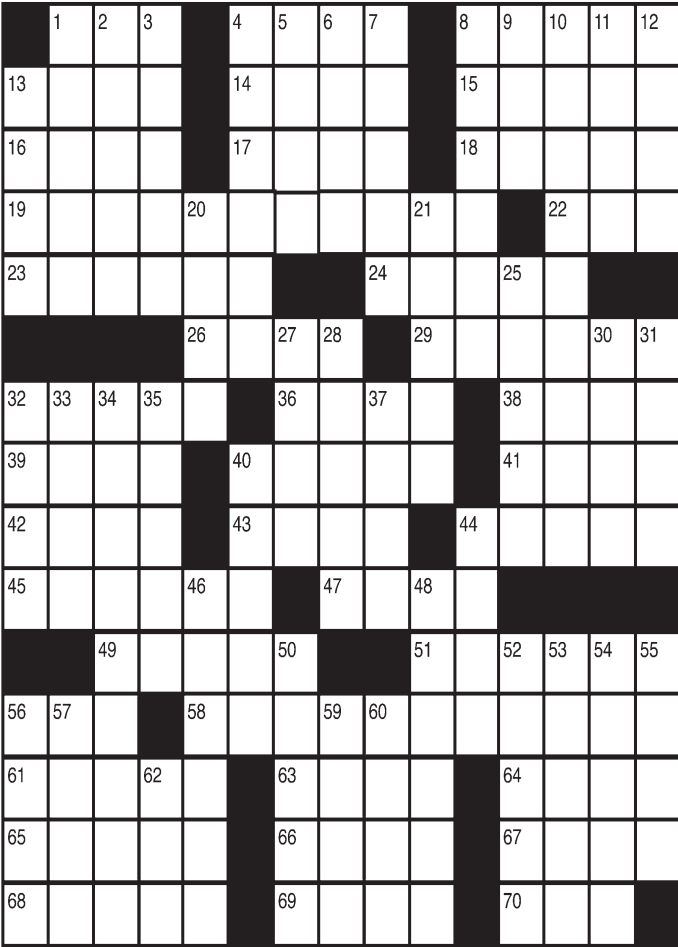
false advertising that crisis pregnancy centers employ to dissuade patients from getting the reproductive care they need, including abortion care.

- On June 15, 2022, Senator Warren introduced the Health and Location Data Protection Act, legislation that bans data brokers from selling some of the most sensitive data available about everyday Americans: their health and location data.
- On June 7, 2022, Senators Warren and Patty Murray led 23 of their Senate colleagues in a letter to President Biden urging him to immediately issue an executive order directing the federal government to develop a national plan to defend Americans’ fundamental reproductive rights, including their right to an abortion.
- On May 17, 2022, Senator Warren led thirteen of her Senate colleagues in letters to two data brokers demanding answers regarding their collection and sale of the cellphone-based location data of people who visit abortion clinics such as Planned Parenthood.
- On May 10, 2022, Senator Warren delivered a speech on the floor of the United States Senate on the need to protect the constitutional right to an abortion, pass the Women’s Health Protection Act, and fight back against Republican extremism.
- On May 9, 2022, Senator Warren wrote an op-ed in *Marie Claire* about the need to enshrine the right to an abortion in federal law.
- On May 3, 2022, when the draft Supreme Court opinion that would overturn *Roe v. Wade* was leaked, Senator Warren spoke on the steps of the Supreme Court twice to activists, protestors, and the nation about the need to protect abortion rights.

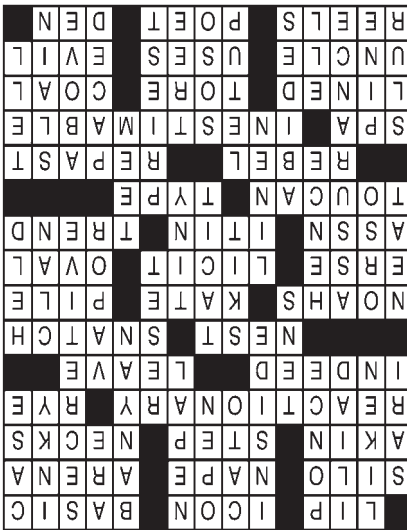
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18 Less-desirable chicken pieces
19 Extremely conservative
22 Reuben sandwich bread
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Kori O'Hara, owner of Untapped Coffee Co., displays one of the company's coffee mugs that will be available for purchase in the spring.

Kori O'Hara launches Untapped Coffee Company

By Cary Shuman

By day Kori O'Hara is a special assistant in the Revere Water and Sewer Department.

But as she proudly told other guests at the Revere Chamber of Commerce Networking Night, "My other title is owner of Untapped Coffee Co."

Kori is launching "Untapped Coffee Co., an online coffee company that will be selling coffee beans and grounds made by a roaster in Worcester. French Roast, Columbian Roast, and Doughnut Shop Blend will be available in ground beans and whole beans. The company's launch is set for this spring and subscriptions are available on the company's website: untappedcoffee.com.

A portion of the company's coffee sales will go toward mental health initiatives.

"A portion of our sales will be going to local mental health organizations to help people through their

mental health journey," said Kori. "Basically, we'll be providing our customers untapped resources, so they can go to our website and not only purchase our product, but they can learn about such topics as cryotherapy and acupuncture – with the goal of helping to lead people through their journey to mental wellness."

Inspired by her father

What was the inspiration for Kori O'Hara's new company and her commitment to mental health wellness?

"The reason I came up with this concept is I would often sit and have a cup of coffee with my dad [the late Ed O'Hara, a former Mass. State Trooper and Revere city councillor], who was my No. 1 fan – and having that coffee with him was the most comforting part of my day," related Kori. "He always knew the right things to say, and he always made me feel good about myself. Now I'm

just trying to bring others comfort through coffee."

Strong support from her family

Kori O'Hara's family is well known in the city. She has six sisters, including Revere Police Capt. Amy O'Hara. Her cousin is Revere High boys volleyball coach Lianne O'Hara, who once led the RHS girls hoop team to the No. 1 ranking in Massachusetts.

"Amy is excited for me starting a company," said Kori. "I have a great family and great family support."

A Revere High Class of 2004 graduate, Kori received her associate's degree in Business from North Shore Community College. She earned her bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Southern New Hampshire University.

Kori, 36, and her husband, John LaSala, have a two-year-old daughter, Kalista.

SBA's Butler encourages young readers in the classroom

Special to the Journal

Alex Butler, an Eighth-Grade Civics teacher at the Susan B. Anthony Middle School has introduced a new way to get their students engaged. "One of my goals a civics teacher is to teach students how to be civically engaged. The best way to be civically engaged is to stay informed on what is happening in the local community." Butler, a big supporter of reading the newspaper, enjoys showing their class some articles from the Revere Journal. "I know students can access articles from the paper online, but I was surprised to see how many of my students were interested in looking through the physical paper, or have never read a physical copy of a newspaper before. Plus, students often struggle to stay focused when accessing information online as playing video games on the school Chromebooks becomes a



Students in Alex Butler's Eighth-Grade Civics class at the SBA Middle School read over the Revere Journal as part of a new exercise initiated by Butler.

big temptation.

Butler hopes to see his students get into the habit of reading newspaper, and says his goal is for students to read through the paper for 10-15 minutes,

and then discuss what they read and learned as a class.

"I find so often that students are unaware of what is happening around them, especially locally, and I want them to be informed."

Arcadia St. // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

He said the facility would target the homeless population living on the streets in Revere. D'Ambrosio said there are currently about 25 to 50 people living on the streets in the city, with a lack of resources to get them situated in Revere.

Bay Cove saw the opportunity to provide restorative housing at the Arcadia Street address, which D'Ambrosio said is currently unused and in less than ideal condition.

"There's currently a homeless colony on the railroad tracks just yards from the property," he said.

D'Ambrosio said many of those homeless people have been prescreened for the restorative housing program, which he said would provide services such as vocational training, psychiatric treatment and counseling, and drug counseling, although he reiterated the building would not be a detox facility.

"There is a vetting process, (participants) cannot have open criminal or violent records, and if they violate the law, they will be removed from the program," said D'Ambrosio. "One of the biggest arguments is that they don't want people in their backyards, but they are already in the backyard with the homeless colony at the railroad tracks in the woods."

Still, Arcadia street residents do not want the facility on their dead end street, no matter how it is defined under the zoning regulations.

At Tuesday's site plan meeting, Arcadia Street resident Stephen Fiore spoke as a representative for the neighborhood. Fiore said there were about 55 residents of the neighborhood who attended the meeting.



COURTESY OF GERRY D'AMBROSIO.

Current state of 84 Arcadia Street and renderings .



"I myself, along with most if not all of my neighbors, are in favor of a facility like this; I feel like we need to take care of our most vulnerable," said Fiore. "What I don't agree upon is putting it in the middle of a residential neighborhood, a dead end street that is filled with children, small Cape houses, and single-family houses with no place for the people to go."

Fiore said a facility such as the one being proposed would be better off in a more centrally placed location with more police patrols and better lighting, not on a dead end street.

While speaking in front of the review committee, Fiore said he wanted to make sure that the city holds the applicant to task to make sure they meet all building and public safety codes.

The project will also be coming before the Conservation Commission in March.

"We can't let fear be the enemy of progress in helping people," said D'Ambrosio.

In a letter dated Feb. 8, Revere Building Commis-

sioner Louis Cavagnaro stated that the proposed use met the qualifications for Dover Amendment protection.

"While Massachusetts Housing & Shelter Alliance will be the tenant, Bay Cove Human Services will provide life skills and tenancy education to residents by live-in staff members," stated Cavagnaro. "Such educational purposes by a leasing nonprofit educational corporation qualifies for Dover Amendment protections."

Fiore said that he and the neighborhood will continue to fight against the project, and that the opposition has nothing to do with politics.

"This has to do with protecting our children, to make sure my two 19-month-old twins live in a safe neighborhood and the city makes sure that they are safe and you guys protect us," said Fiore. "We have 142 signatures on a petition right now to oppose this project. Our goal is hoping for them to withdraw it and put it in a better-suited neighborhood."



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Pictured after Tuesday's Site Plan Committee meeting in which the Arcadia Street development was on the agenda are community leaders, from left, Kathy Ramey, Lorena Lanza, Doug Brecher, Councillor-at-Large Dan Rizzo, Stephen Fiore, Nancy Ramey, and Margaret Johnson.

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RHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

10 years ago
February 13, 2013
The Revere High girls indoor track team ended its season on a winning note last Wednesday, defeating Saugus 49-36 at the Merullo Fieldhouse. The victory ensured the Lady Patriots of a winning season, their first in three years. Pacing the Lady Patriots to the victory with first-place finishes in their individual events were: Maggie DiPlatzi, a double-winner in the high jump (clearing the bar at 4'-2") and in the two mile run in a time of 14:44; Lindsey Gurska in the hurdles in 8.3 (which led a sweep by Revere in that event); Janice DeStefano in the shot-put; and Comfort Toglan in the 300 dash in 46.8.

The Revere High boy basketball team pulled out all the stops in their game Thursday at Salem (which had been moved up a day in anticipation of the blizzard), but fell short in heartbreaking fashion in overtime, 64-63. "We gave it everything we had," said RHS head coach Rick Hayes, whose squad's last-ditch, game-winning

shot in regulation by Mike Dreeszen went in-and-out with about 20 seconds to play. Mike Ciambelli, who had a monster double-double game for Revere with 22 points and 12 rebounds, played a key role in the Patriots' surge against a Salem quintet who had defeated Revere relatively handily in their first encounter earlier in the season. Senior Dom Boyce made a contribution of 13 points, including three treys, and Geo Gomez added 12 points.

The Revere High boys indoor track team concluded an outstanding season with a 74-12 runaway triumph over Saugus last Wednesday. First place finishers for Coach Jack Mosko's squad were: Tarik Maddrey with a high jump of 6-2; Karim Sahila in the 50 yard hurdles in 6.8; Joey Ritchie in the 50 yard dash in 5.7; Bobby Rose in the 300 in 39.3; Rawlings Toglan in the 1000 in 2:58.4; Kristi Nushi in the mile in 5:09.1; Jeff Simbert with a shotput toss of 40-0; and John DellaRusso with a two mile run of 11:25.8. The 4 x 400 relay team also swept to victory, defeating

their Saugus counterparts by five seconds with a clocking of 4:13.

20 years ago
February 19, 2003
Junior Brad Evans finished in second place at the State Class B indoor track meet Saturday with a shot-put toss of 51'-1", just short of the winning throw of 51'-4", and teammate Bill Melchionno took third in the mile in a time of 4:42.91, just behind the winning time of 4:40.31. Both qualified for the All-State Meet this Saturday.

RHS senior Christa Margossian achieved the 1000 career point plateau in the final game of the season. She needed 34 points to reach the mark and sank a free throw, her 18th free throw of the game, in the closing minutes. Revere lost the game, 71-39, with Margossian ending up with 35 of her team's points. The game was stopped and a presentation was made to her at halfcourt.

A 4-0 loss for the RHS hockey team this past week was the ninth shut-out of the season suffered by the Patriots.

30 years ago
Feb. 17, 1993
Mayor Robert Haas's motion before the School Committee to revamp the athletic program at Revere High met with mixed reviews from RHS coaches. Head football coach Mike Cella, noting that many of the city's top athletes go to private schools, said, "You could bring in Knute Rockne and not have a winning program with the things we have to go through."

A jam-packed crowd at Cronin Arena saw the RHS hockey team end the season on a winning note with a 5-4 win over Waltham. Mike Spinellic, Dave Collier, Richie Gallucci, Jerry Alviti, and Matt Misci scored the Revere goals.

Karen Jouve scored 20 points to lead the RHS girls basketball team to a 65-36 romp over Arlington to improve to 7-8 on the season.

40 years ago
February 16, 1983
The RHS hockey team ended its season on a winning note with wins over

Chelsea and Medford, the latter knocking the Mustangs out of contention for a state tourney spot.

Steve Gallant scored 24 points for the RHS basketball team in an 84-79 overtime loss to Peabody. Jack Johnson scored 17 points in a 67-52 loss to Medford. The Pats now stand at 3-9 in the GBL.

50 years ago
February 15, 1973
A 3-0 loss to Malden has knocked the Revere High hockey team out of first place for the first time this season. Malden now is atop the GBL.

Kerry Leppo won the State Class B championship in the high jump with a personal best leap of 6'-5" this past week. In the GBL All-League Meet held Saturday, Revere finished in a tie for second place with 33.5 points, just behind Somerville, which had 34.

60 years ago
February 14, 1963
The 10-0-1 RHS hockey team can clinch its first-ever Metropolitan League title with a win over second-place Quincy tonight.

Although the RHS indoor track team is winless, Michael Toppi is undefeated in the mile this season. Revere has no indoor track facility in which to train, so Toppi goes to the Lynn YMCA to work out on its indoor track.

70 years ago
February 12, 1953
Hudson scored two goals and Paul Feyler, the North Shore League's leading scorer, added one goal to lead the RHS hockey team to a 3-1 win over Lynn English. The Horners-lads now have a 2-3-2 record and still have hopes for making the playoffs.

Archie Mellace scored 18 points to lead the RHS basketball team to a 58-46 win over Malden. In a 64-57 triumph over Medford for the Sochat-men, Mellace led the way with 21 points and teammate George Doucette added 18.

Peter Cortese of 108 Salem Street has claimed the world record in the one hand deadlift in the 123-pound weight class with a lift of 350 pounds in a competition held in York, Pennsylvania recently.



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Revere a slight lead, 13-12, at the first buzzer.

By contrast, the second quarter was very sloppy for both sides, with scoring coming at a premium. Nichols made a basket and two free throws for the Patriots, Boudreau made a corner three-pointer, and junior forward Luke Ellis (five points) made a shot in the lane to give Revere the lead by one.

EMK came down with 25 seconds left in the half, but missed a shot with six seconds left. However, Revere senior captain DeAngelis got the rebound, pushed the ball up quickly, and swished a deep three-pointer as time expired for a 25-21 Revere halftime lead.

The third quarter was a good one for the Patriots. Day (14 points, seven rebounds) got to the hoop several times in the frame and grabbed a few offensive rebounds. Senior Captain Vinny Vu (five points, four assists) also scored two baskets, while Boudreau sank a corner three-pointer and a pull-up jumper. Nichols made a strong move to the hoop, giving Revere a 47-33 lead heading into the final quarter.

The Patriots seemed to be in control of the game -- but then suddenly they were not.

EMK switched to a tough, full-court, man-to-man defense and started the quarter on an 8-0 run to cut the Patriots' margin to just six points with four minutes remaining.

Revere needed to clamp down on defense and take care of the basketball better, which they did after a timeout called by Leary. Ellis hit a big three-pointer from the wing to give the Patriots a little more separation and Boudreau (14 points, 20 rebounds) seemed to grab every rebound down the stretch.

Revere held on to win, 56-49, bringing the Patriots' record to 8-9 on the season.

With three games remaining, Leary and his crew need two wins in order to achieve the .500 record that is needed to punch their ticket for a Journey to the Tourney. They will travel to GBL foe Everett tonight (Wednesday) night and then to non-league opponent Peabody Friday night.

The Patriots will return home to host non-league rival Hamilton-Wenham in their season finale next Tuesday as part of a girls and boys doubleheader, with the boys' contest tipping off at 4:15.

The boys' contest tips off at 2:30 and the boys will get underway at 4:15.

The Lady Patriots came out on the short end of a 46-30 decision to Greater Boston League rival Malden in their only contest of this past week.

"They beat us 46-30 and clinched a spot in the state tournament," said RHS head coach Chris Porrazzo. "I just want to say congrats to Malden head coach Scott Marino for the accomplishment. He does a great job for the city of Malden and for his team.

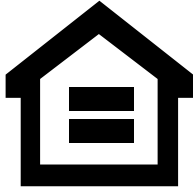
"As for the game, it was another slow start that we couldn't overcome," said Porrazzo. "One thing we really have to take away from this season is playing with urgency. We give inconsistent effort and too many times we let the last play impact the next one.

"We can't let the game overwhelm us. We have to attack it with a greater purpose for 32 full minutes. This is something I hope we can focus on for our last two games against extremely difficult opponents," Porrazzo added.

RHS GIRLS BASKETBALL SET TO WRAP UP SEASON

The Revere High girls basketball team will conclude its 2023 season when the Lady Patriots travel to Peabody tomorrow (Thursday) and return home to face Hamilton-Wenham Tuesday afternoon.

The season finale vs. Hamilton-Wenham will be part of what should be a fun doubleheader with



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REVERE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR WRESTLER YOUSEF HASSAN RECOGNIZED AT SENIOR NIGHT

RHS student Yousef Hassan wrestles for the Malden High School Golden Tornadoes. The MHS has a combined wrestling team from Revere, Chelsea, Everett and Malden.

Last week was the team's only home match of the season, and the seniors from their respective schools were honored for their dedication to the team.



Coach Nick Erban with RHS senior Yousef Hassan.



Yousef Hassan is shown with his teammates and coaches Rin Van, Nick Erban and Omar Khatimi.

Malden Catholic hires Michael Colombo as girls varsity soccer coach

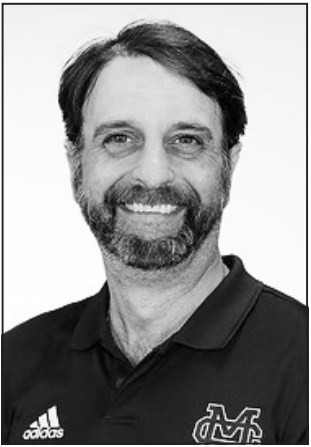
Staff Report

Malden Catholic Director of Athletics William Raycraft has announced that MC has hired Michael Colombo to head its Girls Varsity Soccer program.

Michael Colombo has served the Malden Catholic Girls Soccer program over the past three years as both the Junior Varsity Head Coach and Varsity Assistant Head Coach. He has extensive education, coaching experience and has demonstrated tremendous enthusiasm over the years at MC.

According to New England Futbol Club Technical Director Peter Motzenbecker, "Michael is one of the finest coaches with whom I have had the pleasure of working." Motzenbecker added, "His technical knowledge of the game is top notch, and probably more importantly, he understands how to work with players and get the very best out of athletes."

"Michael has a terrific ability to connect with people. He has also demonstrated a strong drive to succeed while developing talent the right way, which makes him a terrific fit for Malden Catholic and our mission. As we went through the



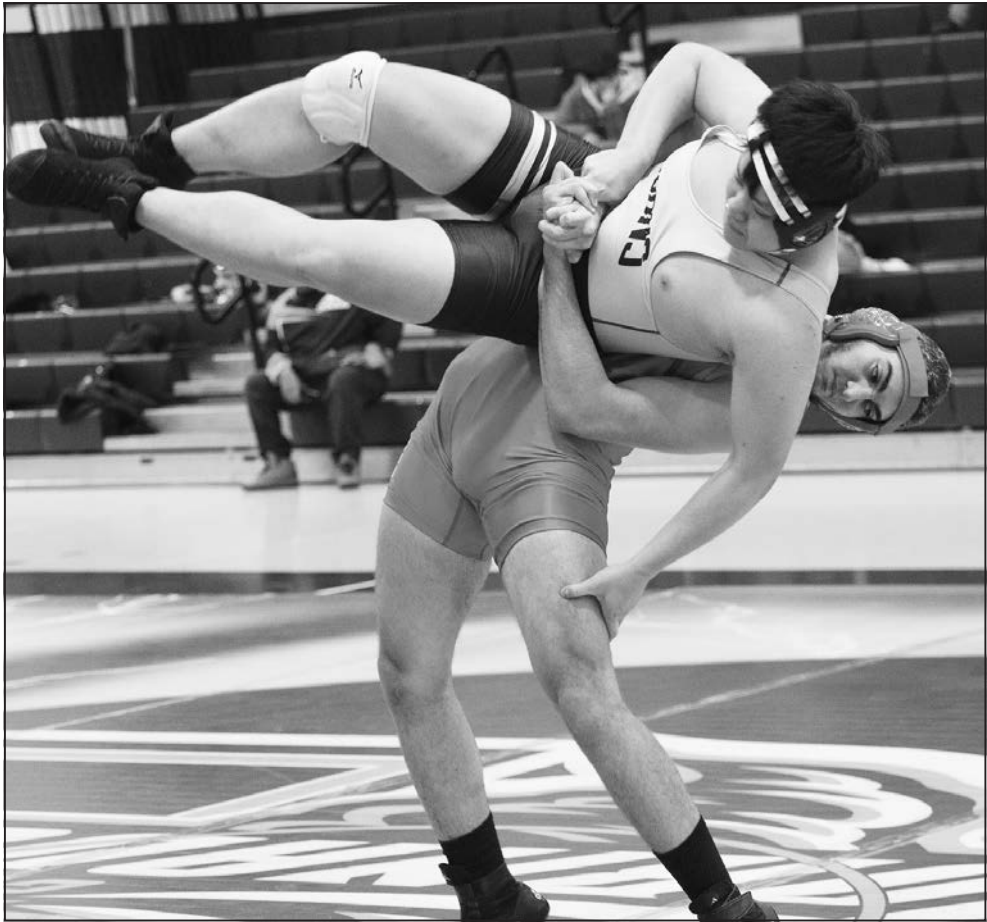
Michael Colombo.

search process, Colombo checked off all the boxes," stated MC Athletics Director William Raycraft.

Coach Colombo has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Notre Dame and holds a USSF D License, in addition to numerous certifications from a diverse suite of providers including United Soccer Coaches and Massachusetts Soccer. His coaching career includes time with Mass Youth Soccer's Town Select program and over the past four years he served as a Staff Coach with the New England Futbol Club (NEFC). Over his coaching career, student-athletes have experienced great success and have flourished both as teams and as individuals.

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in our community, claiming a Nobel Laureate, a Senator, two ambassadors and countless community and business heads among its alumni. Annually, graduates attend some of the nation's most renowned universities including Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth, University of Chicago, Georgetown, Cornell, Brown, Tufts, Carnegie Mellon, Notre Dame, Northeastern, Boston College and College of the Holy Cross. Foundational to student success is Malden Catholic's codivisional model which offers the best of both worlds, single-gender academics during the day and integrated social and extracurricular opportunities after school. Malden Catholic is known in the community for its rigorous academics, SFX Scholars Program and award-winning STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) with electives such as Robotics and Engineering Design. Malden Catholic curricula is designed to improve individual growth mindset, leadership principles and success outcomes along with integrating the Xavarian values of trust, humility, compassion, simplicity and zeal. <https://www.maldencatholic.org/>



RHS wrestler Yousef Hassan makes quick work of his opponent in the 190lb. weight class.

Malden Catholic hires Jess Piracini as girls varsity lacrosse coach

Staff Report

Malden Catholic Director of Athletics, William Raycraft, has announced that the school has hired Jess Piracini to head its Girls Varsity Lacrosse program.

According to Piracini, "I am fortunate to be taking over a very good lacrosse program. This is an incredible opportunity to lead the Malden Catholic program forward with the desire and competitiveness to become the best in high school lacrosse." Piracini added, "Malden Catholic is a school that not only embraces athletics, but also truly cares about the growth of their students and school community. This genuine commitment to growth goes well beyond the fields and classroom."

Piracini emerged out of a strong pool of applicants, and she is a coach looking to bring this young program to new levels. "Coach Piracini has done a fantastic job working with our girls in the hockey program and she was a standout athlete herself. I am confident she will



Jess Piracini.

lead our lacrosse program with outstanding skill and eventually to MIAA distinction," stated Raycraft. "Our program currently has nearly sixty members in its fifth year of existence, and we believe that Coach Piracini will fuel it with a wealth of knowledge, passion and enthusiasm." Raycraft went on to say, "She understands our mission, embodies the core values of the athletic department, and I am confident she will make a very positive connection with

our student-athletes."

Coach Piracini is a graduate of Catholic education having attended Arlington Catholic High School where she was a three-sport athlete, excelling in both hockey and lacrosse. While at AC she was a four-year member of the varsity lacrosse team, captain, and CCL All-Star her senior year. Jess then continued her education and hockey career at women's hockey powerhouse, Norwich University where she was a four-year member of the varsity team. She is currently an assistant coach for the MC Lancers Girls Hockey Team.

CITY PAWS

Sniffing out stress

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you ever heard the expression that fear or stress comes down the leash from a person to the dog on the other end? A recent study out of Queen's University Belfast School of Psychology found that a dog may respond to the smell of stress from their human companion.

The Washington Post quoted one of the study's authors, Clara Wilson. "In real-life settings, dogs probably use a variety of contextual signals such as our body language, tone of voice, or breathing rate to help them understand a situation," Wilson explained. "The study results provide firm evidence that odor is also a component that dogs can pick up on," she said.



PHOTO BY TADEUSZ LAKOTA

Research has shown a dog's nose can detect stress in organic compounds emanating from your breath and sweat.

with protective behaviors. For example, a dog might position itself in front of a person to guard personal space or behind a person offering the security of someone watching his back.

Some dogs wake a person from nightmares and offer non-judgmental support and comfort. And, as is often the case with any dog, service dogs can act as social ice-breakers, making it easier for someone with social anxiety to get out, interact with family and friends, and even meet new people.

In this case, remember, you should never ap-

proach a working service dog without the handler's

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Northeast Metro Tech senior Carpentry students stand with a kiosk they renovated for the Battle Road Woodlands in Woburn. Revere's Nick Palladino (shown back-row, center) is shown with, from left Nick landolo, of Malden; Shane McLaughlin, of Wakefield; Alexander Bedrosian, of Wakefield; Jason Natareno, of Chelsea; Instructor Bobby Calla; Heidi Perlera, of Saugus; Thalia Picon, of Woburn; and Francesco Guarino, of Saugus.

Northeast Metro Tech students rebuild kiosks for Woburn Trails and Conservation Areas

Special to the Journal

Superintendent David DiBarri is pleased to announce that Northeast Metro Tech Carpentry students repaired and rebuilt four kiosks to welcome visitors to conservation areas in Woburn.

Carpentry students gained experience repairing, rebuilding and restoring the kiosks while working as a team in the community.

Under the direction of instructors Richard McGinnis, Robert Jepson, Armen Khodaverdian and Bobby Calla, students applied what they learned in class about framing, roofing, finishwork, and setting posts as they worked on and reinstalled the kiosks.

Rebuilt kiosks are located at the Battle Road Woodlands, 165 Cambridge Road; the Tarky School Trail entrance,



PHOTO COURTESY NORTHEAST METRO TECH

A renovated kiosk at the entrance to the Battle Road Woodlands in Woburn.

225 Russell St., and at the Community Gardens entrance, 96 Lexington St. A fourth kiosk that is being rebuilt will be installed later at the city's new fire headquarters.

"A major part of our teaching at Northeast Metro Tech is encouraging students to use what

they are learning to benefit their communities because it's so valuable for those communities and the students alike," said School Committee Chairwoman Deborah Davis, of Woburn. "These Carpentry students did exactly that and I congratulate them on a job well done."

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permission. Speak to the person, not the dog, and ask before interacting with the animal.

Your Turn!

Now that we know that your dog can sniff out stress and will often try to comfort a stressed human, it's our turn to learn to sniff out a dog's anxiety and find ways to help lessen it.

Most people respond when a dog vocalizes stress or fear by whining, whimpering, barking, or growling. However, many of us are not as attuned to a dog's body language signs of stress.

Writing for The American Kennel Club, Abbie Mood identified important body language alerts. "Stress signs to look for

include whale eye (when dogs reveal the whites of their eyes), tucked ears, tucked tail, raised hackles, lip-licking, yawning, and panting. Your dog might also avoid eye contact or look away."

With our fearful little Westie, we've also experienced a dog who will freeze and shut down when confronted with an anxiety trigger. And many of us have seen a thunderstorm or fireworks cause our dogs to pace with fear.

Sniffing out stress can be a symbiotic service between you and your dog. Sometimes your dog may sense your tension before you do and help you take steps to bring it under control. As you increase your skill at noticing when your dog is stressed, you can

develop ways to provide some relief.

As it happens, interacting with your dog by stroking, playing, or even going for a walk is a proven way of calming a person. Your dog may have his own way of trying to comfort you by leaning against you, sitting next to you, or trying to protect you.

And, once you discover specific stress triggers for your dog, you can begin to do what you can to remove, avoid, or desensitize the dog to those things. Or, at the very least comfort your dog when you can't do anything else.

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FRESH & LOCAL

Steam It!

used by those who do a lot of steaming is to protect the steamer with parchment paper with holes to let steam move about. You can make your own or buy these premade to fit popular steamer sizes.

Equipment

You can spend money and take up space with specialized steaming appliances. However, there's a good chance that your kitchen will have something that can be used to steam food. A soup pot with a folding steamer basket will work fine for many items. Other food can be steamed on a heat-resistant dinner plate.

Most companies that sell pans offer a multi-pot with a couple of baskets that let you steam more than one item at a time. These come in various materials and price points from aluminum to stainless steel. Some cooks use their rice cookers as steamers. Instant Pots have steamer settings.

Simple multi-level bamboo steamers let you cook different food on each level, and you can remove each item from the stack when it is cooked to your desired doneness.

If you have a wok, you

could use it for steaming. Although wok guru, Grace Young warns that this might ruin the seasoning patina. She suggests a second wok just for steaming and boiling.

Steaming Tips

Never underestimate the danger of burns with steam. Use protection for your hands when you touch the pan or steamer. Always lift covers away from your face, so the cover protects you from the steam.

Make certain any plate or bowl you use in a steamer is heat resistant. To encourage good steam circulation, put an upside-down saucer under your food dish to lift it from the bottom of the cooking pot.

Make sure the water does not boil away. You can open the steaming vessel to check the water level. While this is most important when steaming a whole chicken or large pudding, it can also happen with shorter cooking times.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

TRAFFIC COMMISSION APPROVES MAKING BROADWAY BUS LANE PERMANENT

CHELSEA- The city’s Traffic and Parking Commission approved making the bus and bike lane on Broadway permanent.

The request was initially made by former City Manager Thomas Ambrosino in a letter dated Sept. 28, 2022.

“The goal is to make permanent the bus and bike lane that operates downtown currently between Fay Square and Third Street/Everett Avenue,” said Alex Train, the city’s Housing and Community Development Director. “Currently, the bus lane operates to serve the Route 111, Route 112, and other local bus routes. A study that the city commissioned did demonstrate that it had no adverse impact on traffic and it did improve safety in the downtown.”

As a result of that study, Train said the city administration recommended that the bus and bike lane be made permanent, as well as be integrated into the redesign of the infrastructure downtown.

The City Council typically has the final sign off on recommendations approved by the Traffic and Parking Commission.

In other business, the commission approved a plan to add a second vehicular peak a.m. lane on Everett Avenue southbound.

“Due to rush hour traffic, at times it is difficult for drivers to access the Rte. 1 onramp going into town,” said Train. “We would propose adding a restricted lane that would only operate between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.”

After 10 a.m., drivers would be able to use the metered parking spaces along the southbound side of Everett Avenue.

“We did have our transportation consultant examine this just to determine whether there would be any adverse impacts, and they concluded that there wouldn’t be any negative impacts if it was done,” said Train.

The commission also agreed to have the traffic consultant look into the feasibility of a request made by a resident to make Clark Avenue one way between Stockton Street and Webster Avenue.

“Due to the fact that this involves the direction of the street and traffic circulation, we would want to table this in order to examine the operational and safety impact a change might have,” said Train. “The resident that petitioned the commission did cite a number of reasons for the request, so we would propose relaying this to our transportation engineer just to look into it to make sure it was viable and wouldn’t have any negative impacts.”

BPS ADDS ELECTRIC BUSES TO ITS FLEET

EAST BOSTON-Mayor Michelle Wu celebrated the arrival of the first two electric school buses to the Boston Public Schools (BPS) school bus fleet. An additional 18 buses will arrive in the coming weeks and are expected to be in use following the February school vacation.

This is a major milestone in creating a Green New Deal for the City of Boston, leading to immediate health and quality-of-life improvements for Boston students, workers, and residents, while advancing climate action. Mayor Wu joined BPS Superintendent Mary Skipper, Green New Deal Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia, BPS Director of Transportation Dan Rosengard, bus driver trainers, and community members at the Readville bus yard in Hyde Park to see how these electric buses are being integrated into the fleet.

“I’m grateful to the many people who have been instrumental in getting Boston to this point and helping us demonstrate the many overlapping benefits of moving to a green economy and ensuring that our kids and our workforce are at the center of that transition,” said Mayor Michelle Wu. “Today is one of many steps we are taking to make Boston a Green New Deal city and to move with the urgency that our communities and residents deserve. From cutting down on emissions from every part of our education infrastructure – where our students learn and how they get to class – to preparing our next generation of workers to build and sustain cleaner, greener infrastructure for all of us, we’re so excited about where this will lead Boston.”

“Our children deserve to learn, grow up, and play while enjoying clean air and experiencing a healthy environment free of air pollution,” said Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper. “When these buses hit the road, they will operate with zero emissions and significantly lower noise levels than their diesel-fuel counterparts. So when you see the buses with the green bird with a plug logo on each side, be sure to wave and smile as they and the children inside represent our great city’s future.”

“As a City, we know we must prioritize the development of electric vehicle infrastructure to support the future of green mobility in Boston to advance our Green New Deal for all of our residents,” said Green New Deal Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia. “I’m grateful to Boston Public Schools for their leadership in making critical climate investments while supporting the health of our communities and growing our green workforce trained with these skills.”

The BPS Department of Transportation carefully selected the first routes – 111 trips, across 42 schools – to run electric school buses based on a variety of factors, including distance from the dispatch yard charging station, total length of route, and the expected traffic patterns along the route, with a preference for stop-and-go traffic rather than highway driving. Additionally, the cold weather deployment was factored into route selection to ensure power supply for battery conditioning and bus heating. Routes travel through nearly all of Boston’s neighborhoods.

BPS is finalizing installation of 20 charging stations at the Readville bus yard, utilizing increased charging capacity that was added with support from Eversource. Each electric bus will have a dedicated

charger and be charged every day. The total time to charge each bus is about three to four hours. The learnings from this first phase of electric school bus deployment will support the City in designing and implementing future electric school bus fleet expansion.

Prior to integrating the 20 buses into the fleet, BPS is training driver trainers, drivers, mechanics, operations staff, and emergency responders to ensure familiarity with the bus design and operation. During the upcoming February vacation, drivers will test routes to ensure they are comfortable driving the new buses in advance of students boarding later this month. An estimated 2,561 students across 42 schools will be riding the 20 buses each school day. BPS currently has 620 buses on the road each day.

Boston’s Green New Deal works to address climate change with positive co-benefits including creating good jobs, enhancing public health, and transforming structures to promote racial and economic justice. School bus electrification will protect children from diesel particulate matter, eliminate tailpipe emissions, address air quality and noise concerns around school pick-up and drop-off, and offer a healthier work environment for bus drivers and monitors. The City of Boston is fostering the Green New Deal by leveraging funding to invest in solutions that improve the lives of Bostonians and catalyze the transition to a just, green City.

In April 2022, Mayor Wu first announced that up to 20 electric school buses would be deployed during the 2022-23 school year. These electric buses will replace existing diesel buses. These buses were funded through the BPS operating budget and the federal American Rescue Plan Act. Mayor Wu previously shared the goal that BPS will work to replace additional big buses each year, and then move to replacing smaller buses until the entire fleet is electrified by 2030.

Additionally last spring, the Public Works Central Fleet Maintenance Division introduced the first

DIDOMENICO JOINS MOTHERS OUT FRONT RALLY FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE



Senator Sal DiDomenico recently joined the Mothers Out Front organization for a rally at the State House. Senator DiDomenico was joined by other elected officials and an impressive showing of Mothers Out Front advocates from his district and from local chapters throughout the Commonwealth. DiDomenico vowed to attendees that he would continue to fight for the most aggressive climate actions in the legislature so we can protect our environment and planet for generations to come. The advocates walked through the State House to the Governor’s office and were able to spend time meeting with Governor Healey, Massachusetts’ newly appointed Climate Chief, Melissa Hoffer, and the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Rebecca Tepper.

ever train-the-trainer class for fleet mechanics from the Public Works Department (PWD) and BPS on how to safely service and repair electric vehicles at Madison Park Technical Vocational High School. To date, eight mechanics from the PWD and two from BPS have completed the course and continue to take online classes to keep pace with the ever-changing technology. Beginning in the fall of this year, electric vehicle maintenance will be added as part of the core curriculum for seniors participating in Madison Park’s automotive program.

This celebration will lay the foundation for the future of the Boston Public Schools bus fleet. The City intends to use federal funding from the Environmental Protection Agency and Inflation Reduction Act to further expand the number of electric buses in the fleet and enhance training for staff.

The City has been making progress on its commitment to installing electric vehicle (EV) charging stations throughout Boston’s neighborhoods for both municipal use and residents. The City currently operates 66 LV II EV charging plugs across 14 municipal parking lots. There are plans to add an additional 18 LV II EV charging plugs, and four high-speed LV III DC fast chargers this year.

This investment in public charging, along with the City’s EV readiness policy for new development and right-to-charge rules for condominium residents provide a foundation for the rapid, equitable electrification of transportation in Boston. The City also continues to electrify its vehicle fleet, adding charging plugs where City vehicles are garaged, prioritizing EVs in its replacement cycle, and adding its first all-electric street sweeper last year.

FORESTEIRE’S TRIAL UNDERWAY

EVERETT-The jury trial of former Everett School Superintendent Frederick Foresteire got underway this past Monday in Malden District Court.

Foresteire is facing multiple counts of indecent assault & battery and simple assault & battery for his alleged actions involving three females who worked for the School Department during his tenure as superintendent of schools.

Monday’s proceedings included the selection of the jury, the opening statements by Middlesex County Assistant District Attorney Carrie Spiros and defense attorney Gerard Malone, and testimony by the first of Foresteire’s three accusers.

Foresteire, who is 79 and who resigned in 2019 after lengthy career when the accusations became public, had attempted to plead out his case last December by means of a continuance without a finding (commonly referred to as a CWOFF), which is an admission to sufficient facts to the charges, but without pleading guilty.

However, the District Court judge at that time, Emily Karstetter, rejected the plea deal and instead recommended a guilty finding and imposing a sentence of 18 months with 12 months suspended.

Foresteire rejected that offer and opted for a jury trial.

At that December hearing, the three women delivered emotional victim impact statements inside the courtroom. All three women, who worked in different capacities in the School Department, alleged that Foresteire engaged in inappropriate behavior while they were working in their jobs in the School Department. The three women also said that Foresteire’s actions adversely affected their physical and mental health.

At Monday’s hearing, the first of the three witnesses described multiple allegations of behavior directed toward her by Foresteire’s three accusers.

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Sen. Edwards files 24 pieces of legislation in the 193rd Legislative Session

Special to the Journal

This legislative session Senator Lydia Edwards has filed legislation that will enshrine the status of ride-share app drivers as employees into law, allow people to seal prior eviction records, set clear & safe standards for nurse staffing, ensure that in-home childcare is no longer affected by over-burdensome restrictions, and officially recognize February 4th as Rosa Parks Day. In total the Senator has filed 24 bills spanning issues including: housing, workers’ rights, civil rights, consumer protection, education, transportation, and the environment. “You know I never stop, I burst into the Senate after my election fighting for

workers, tenants, and residents in Winthrop, Revere & Boston. With a year in the legislature behind me, I’m eager to continue my work to pass eviction sealing legislation, improve working conditions & pay for nurses, cannabis industry employees, ride-share app drivers, and workers everywhere.” said Senator Lydia Edwards (D-Boston)

CIVIL RIGHTS SD1538 / HD540

An Act Relative to Rosa Parks Day presented by Sen. Edwards, Rep. Kipp Diggs, and Rep. Michael Kushmerek

This bill calls on the Governor to declare February fourth as Rosa Parks Day. The holiday recognizes

the contributions of the

historic civil rights leader and should be observed by residents of the Commonwealth.

HOUSING: SD1592 / HD3625

Housing Opportunity and Mobility Eviction Sealing (HOMES) presented by Sen. Edwards & Leader Michael Moran

This bill will allow individuals to petition to seal their eviction records after a certain time or conditions are met. It protects personal identifying information from commercial use and makes sealed records only available at the discretion of the court for public safety, scholarly, educational, journalistic, or governmental purposes. This act would help those who were no fault evictions or who have satisfied

judgments to seal their records. It will hold credit reporting companies accountable for distributing sealed information.

SD1559 / HD2957

An Act providing a Local Option Incentivizing Landlords to Rent Unsubsidized Properties at Below Market Rent (Good landlord Tax Credit) presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Andy Vargas

This bill would provide a state tax credit to landlords that rent below market to identified groups such as seniors or families. Municipalities can opt in an offer additional property tax relief to landlords who choose to rent below market. The state credit is to be the difference between the current rent and the market rent a landlord

could receive but no more than \$2000 per rental unit.

SD227 / HD3845

An Act to ensure protections for residents in condominium conversions presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Tram Nguyen

This bill expands the basic protections afforded to those facing condominium conversions by extending the protections to renters who are in buildings with less than four units. Those in buildings with three or less units would now be eligible for the following protections where a landlord wants to convert rental units to a condominium: (1) proper notice of conversion, (2) the right of first refusal to buy the apartment, (3) rent protections, (4) the right

to moving expenses and any other municipal protections.

SD1720 / HD3914

An Act for a right of first refusal for foreclosed property (Foreclosure TOPA) presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Chris Worrell

This bill provides additional requirements for owners and mortgages of tenant-occupied properties to fulfill before selling or foreclosing the property. This bill provides the opportunity for tenants of foreclosed property to purchase the property or assign their right.

SD1646 / HD889

An Act to Establish an Office of Fair Housing

See LEGISLATION Page 17

Drought conditions return to normal across Commonwealth

Special to the Journal

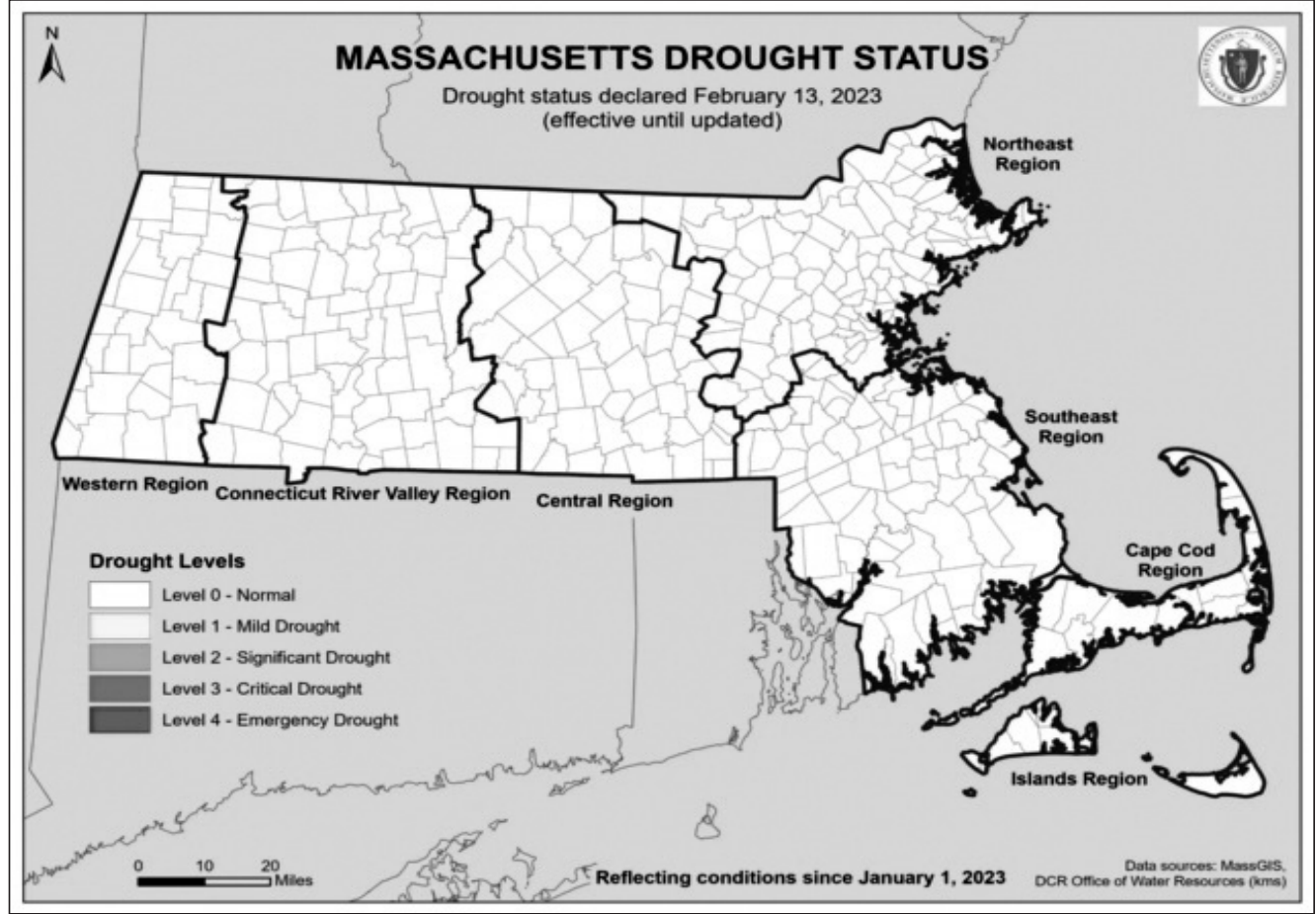
Today, Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Rebecca Tepper declared the end of the drought in the Commonwealth, following five months of normal to above-normal precipitation and record-breaking warmth in January. All seven regions are at Level 0-Normal Conditions, including the Islands Region, which was previously declared at a Level 2-Significant Drought, and the Northeast and Cape Cod Regions, which were at a Level-1 Mild Drought last month. The declarations are the result of a recommendation issued from a recent meeting of the Drought Management Task Force, comprised of state and federal officials and other entities.

“After nine months of Massachusetts regions experiencing drought conditions, I am pleased to declare that every region has returned to normal,” said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Rebecca Tepper. “We thank those who implemented conservation practices at such a critical time and urge residents to remain conscientious of their wa-

ter use as we continue to experience more extreme and frequent weather events due to the climate crisis.”

The month of January brought above-normal rainfall across all regions of the Commonwealth, helping with the recovery of groundwater, streamflow, lakes, and impoundments. Normal Conditions, as outlined in the Massachusetts Drought Management Plan, recommends that overall water efficiency practices and emergency planning efforts continue at the local level and that state and local agencies work to review, assess, and improve responses and actions implemented during the drought. With the declaration of Normal Conditions, the Drought Management Task Force will not meet again until a region in the state is experiencing drought conditions. However, state agencies will continue to closely monitor and assess conditions across the Commonwealth.

To help protect Massachusetts’ water resources, larger buildings and businesses are asked to conduct water audits to identify areas of leaks and potential water conser-



vation, and residents are asked to reduce indoor water use and address leaks as soon as possible. These steps will significantly help reduce water use to ensure the Commonwealth has healthy streams and rivers and there is enough water to sustain our water supplies.

The Massachusetts De-

partment of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) will continue to provide technical assistance to municipalities in managing systems, including on the use of emergency connections and water supplies.

“We appreciate the efforts of both the consumers of water who reduced their demands and

our public water systems that are on the frontlines of delivering clean water in sufficient quantities to meet our needs,” said MassDEP Acting Commissioner Gary Moran. “We urge consumers to continue their efforts to reduce water demand and help protect our environment whether there is a

declared drought or not.”

For further information on water conservation and what residents and communities can do, please visit EEA’s Drought page (www.mass.gov/guides/drought-management-in-massachusetts) and water conservation page (www.mass.gov/conservemawater).

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estire that have given rise to the charges.

Malone in his opening statement told the jury that Foresteire adamantly denies the charges and that he will be taking the stand in his own defense.

The trial is expected to continue through most of this week.

COUNCIL VOTES ON CHARTER CHANGE

WINTHROP - The Town Council will remain a nine-member body for the foreseeable future.

Last week, the council voted on proposed charter changes recommended by the Ordinance Review Committee (ORC). While a number of proposals will be forwarded to the state for a potential vote by town residents in November, one recommendation which would have cut the number of town councilors from nine to seven and done away with precinct seats failed to pass muster with the council.

In addition to the council’s composition, the council also failed to approve a part of that recommendation that would

have cut a councilor’s term from four to two years. A similar measure to increase the Town Council President’s term from two to four years also failed to move forward.

A charter change recommendation needed a yes vote from six of the nine councilors to potentially be placed in front of voters in the fall.

The remaining recommendations from the ORC did gain the council’s approval, and will appear on the November ballot provided the state deems they can legally move forward.

Some of those proposed charger changes include tougher language in the council’s abandonment language for members who consistently miss meetings, and a recall provision for elected officials.

Council President James Letterie said that the recommendations from the ORC on the council composition and term lengths were part of an effort to increase participation in elections and potentially attract candidates so there are more contested races.

But a number of councilors said those recommendations would either

not achieve that goal or would weaken representation for the town’s residents.

“I think it’s important to remember that representative government isn’t about square mileage, it’s about people and it’s important that the residents have someone to go to,” said Precinct 3 Councilor Hannah Belcher. “There’s a clear division of responsibilities across town. Precinct 3 has some very unique issues and I would hate to see their representation get pushed away.”

Several councilors also noted that shortening the council term to two years from four wouldn’t necessarily be beneficial for the town or councilors.

“The learning curve is big,” said Councilor-at-Large Rob Demarco, he said, adding that if someone wants to represent Winthrop, it wouldn’t matter if the term was two or four years.

However, Demarco said he would rather let the voters decide on the length of term.

Belcher agreed.

“Of the three suggestions (for council composition and terms), I think this has the most merit on

both sides and I’d like to see what the people want,” she said.

Letterie said he didn’t see much merit in two-year terms for the entire council, and noted that a three-year term would be a good compromise. However, he said, under state law the municipal elections have to be held on odd-numbered years.

The council did vote to support the recommendation for updated abandonment language in the town charter. Currently, the language states that a councilor can miss up to half the meetings during a year before the abandonment clause kicks in.

Under the revised language, the abandonment clause would go into effect if a councilor misses three consecutive meetings, or half of meetings over a three-month period. There is also language where councilors can overturn the clause if there is a suitable reason why a councilor has missed the meetings.

“I’m in favor of this one, I think it actually solves a problem,” said Precinct 6 Councilor Stephen Ruggiero.

The councilors also

voted to support the recall provision in the charter. There was some initial hesitation about whether the language was strong enough to prevent nuisance recalls, but a closer reading of the recommendation proved that it set a high enough bar for most of the council.

To initiate a recall, a resident would need to file an affidavit with 4 percent of registered voters either town-wide or in a precinct, depending on the position. Once the petition was issued, there would then would be 28 days to gather the signatures of 20 percent of the registered voters to trigger a recall election.

Also, a recall could not be held six months after an official is elected, or six months prior to an election.

According to Letterie, the townwide numbers to trigger a recall would be roughly 500 signatures to pull a petition, and about 2,400 signatures to trigger the actual election.

“I think it is a high standard if you are looking for a recall petition,” said Letterie.

Letterie also noted that the recall provision is a

tool he hopes the town never has to use, but that is there if needed.

The council also approved the recommendation for a charter change requiring multiple member boards to elect their own chairs and vice chairs at the beginning of the year.

A recommendation to change the way the town fills vacancies on town boards did not gather the necessary six votes. Currently, the Town Council and the board with the vacancy meet together to fill a vacancy. There was some concern that this wasn’t fair because the council would have more members than the affected boards. However, there were some questions about the legality of the change and the need to have the highest ranked officials in town involved in the process.

There were also a handful of recommendations that were ordinance changes that do not need the approval of the town’s voters. Letterie said those recommendations will be taken up by the council at a future meeting.

Northeast Vocational School enters partnership with Reading Coop Bank

Special to the Journal

Superintendent David DiBarri is pleased to announce that Northeast Metro Tech and Reading Cooperative Bank have entered into a unique partnership to create a federally-recognized banking apprenticeship program.

Students enrolled in the Business Technology program will now be able to participate in a federally-recognized banking apprenticeship program that is one-of-a-kind in Massachusetts. The program is also recognized by the Massachusetts Office of Labor and Workforce Development.

While many large financial institutions offer pathways to apprenticeships, it's rare for a bank the size of Reading Cooperative Bank to offer such opportunities. Additionally, while many school-based bank branches in

Massachusetts closed permanently during the COVID-19 pandemic, Reading Cooperative Bank maintained its relationship with Northeast Metro Tech, and reopened its branch inside Northeast Metro Tech in September 2021.

Looking to continually expand opportunities for students, teachers in the Business Technology Program, the Northeast Metro Tech Career Center, and the Human Resources Department at Reading Cooperative Bank worked together for months to reimagine the apprenticeship program and its future in 2023 and beyond.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, Northeast Metro Tech Principal Carla Scuzzarello signed off on an articulation agreement to formalize Northeast Metro Tech's participation in the program.

Students will be able to participate in a trimester-long banking class in the Northeast Metro Tech branch of Reading Cooperative Bank. This will occur during the school day. Through successful completion of the trimester, students can earn 150 hours toward their apprenticeship.

Participants in the cooperative education program must then complete another 450 hours of work at the Reading Cooperative Bank.

Either simultaneous to or immediately after completing the co-op program successfully, students must work at the Reading Cooperative Bank either part-time or full-time so that they can earn additional experience. Once students log 2,000 total hours at Reading Cooperative Bank, they earn the banking apprenticeship.

There are currently



Northeast Metro Tech students Zackary Berkowitch and Mahama Jaid Piprani, both of whom are part of the apprenticeship program at Reading Cooperative Bank, share a smile while working in the bank's branch at Northeast Metro Tech recently.

53 students enrolled in the Business Technology Program, and they are the only students in Massachusetts eligible to earn apprenticeship hours during school hours.

"We are proud to offer Northeast Metro Tech stu-

dents yet another opportunity to take a pathway to a career, and our innovative banking apprenticeship offered in partnership with Reading Cooperative Bank will aid our students who are seeking careers in the banking field," said

Superintendent DiBarri. "This program is at the heart of what we do here at Northeast Metro Tech: We create opportunities and paths forward for our dedicated, driven, and talented students."

Legislation // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 16

& a Fair Housing Trust Fund presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep Chynah Tyler

This bill establishes an office of fair housing under the executive office of housing and economic development, as well as the Fair Housing Trust Fund, both with the purpose of coordinating efforts to address and eliminate factors leading to housing discrimination, segregation, and disparate access to opportunities.

SD1462 / HD3988
An Act supporting residents and communities in resolving tax debt presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Adrian Madaro

This bill allows residents to enter into a payment agreement with municipal treasurers or revenue services to resolve property tax debt. This would require a minimum initial payment of up to 25% of the tax amount due on the property rather than the current minimum of 25%.

Docket# Pending
An Act Condominium owners' rights act (CORA) presented by Sen. Edwards

This bill sets clear standards for condominium associations, these standards will be enforced by the Attorney General's Office. This bill will set deadlines for unit owner organizations with appointed managers to produce financial documents and repercussions for failing to do so. This bill will also make all documents relating to the administration and operation of the condominium available to condominium owners, will require a condo's by-laws to include an internal dispute resolution procedure for disagreements between unit owners and boards, and creates a Condominium Ombudsman in the Attorney General's Office for the purpose of receiving, investigating, and resolving complaints from unit owners about condominium administration.

WORKERS' RIGHTS
SD1660 / HD2491
An Act Promoting Patient Safety and Equitable Access to Care presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Natalie Higgins

This bill would require the Department of Pub-

lic Health to set limits on the number of patients a nurse can care for at one time. Limits would be set by hospital unit. The bill would empower the Department of public health to hold public stakeholder hearings and promulgate regulations that establish specific limits on the number of patients a registered nurse shall be assigned to care for at one time. Successful passage would both improve patient care and nurse retention.

SD2186 / HD3832
An Act establishing accountability and protections for TNC and DNC workers consumers & communities (EPA) presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Andy Vargas

This Bill will reaffirm that TNC/DNC drivers and delivery workers enjoy the same strong presumption of employment that all other workers enjoy within the Commonwealth with regard to the pay, paid sick leave, overtime, unemployment insurance, discrimination and workers compensation. Additionally, this bill works to revise the current TNC statute with substantial enhancements for consumers, the Commonwealth, municipalities, and drivers. Finally, the bill provides a means for workers to have a voice in setting rates and creating a safe working environment.

SD1806 / HD3500
An Act protecting employee free speech presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. James Hawkins

This bill protects employee free speech, particularly in the context of compelled affirmation of speech, in the workplace by prohibiting an employer's action or threat of discipline or discharge where (1) an employee has engaged in exercising a first amendment right subject to the limitation that such exercise does not substantially or materially interfere with job performance or relationships; and (2) an employee has refused to attend a meeting or receive speech or electronic communication which has the primary purpose of communicating the employer's religious or political opinions.

SD16 / HD583
An Act to facilitate la-

bor peace among the cannabis workforce presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Steven Owens

This bill (amending chapter 94G in the General Laws) defines "Labor peace agreement" and "Labor organizations" as it relates to the cannabis industry workforce and requires marijuana establishment applicants to submit documentation stating they will not interfere with coordination between union agents and cannabis employees.

SD12 / HD217
An Act relative to non-fault unemployment insurance overpayments (UI) presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Joan Meschino

This bill will ensure that the Department of Unemployment Assistance's emergency regulation standards continue applying to pandemic-era overpayments, including for federally funded benefits, while also proposing a simpler, easy to administer no-fault waiver standard for future overpayments. This legislation will not impose liability for repayment of overpaid benefits where the claimant is without fault in causing the overpayment

SD1656 / HD724
An Act providing opportunities for Apprentices to complete their training and ensuring for a skilled workforce in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Peter Capano

This legislation will ensure the Commonwealth has a pipeline of skilled workers to close the projected anticipated shortage. This legislation requires that public construction projects over \$1 million dollars will have apprentices, registered with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on those projects ensuring they have the hours needed to be becoming journey person in their trade. This bill also requires that six months after the passage of this act 5% of the hours shall be performed by apprentices, 10% one year after passage, and 15% two years after passage.

SD1807 / HD3709
An Act protecting warehouse workers presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep.

Sean Garballey

This bill protects warehouse workers, notably eliminating quotas that prevent workers from taking breaks and monitor work speed. This bill will require warehouse employers to maintain records concerning their employee's work and allow employees to be free from retaliation when exercising their rights.

CONSUMER PROTECTION
SD1718 / HD3120
An Act Protecting Black girls from Targeted Toxicity presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Brandy Fluker-Oakley

This bill aims to guard children from harmful products that are advertised to children of color. Skin lightening and hair relaxation products are packed with toxic chemicals that can result in long term health effects. Hair relaxers regularly use young black girls in advertisement. Few if any other harsh product for chemical treatment of hair uses little girls. Most use an adult to advertise hair color or perms.

SD1586 / HD3260
An Act to ensure uniform and transparent reporting of medical debt data presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. John Mahoney

This bill establishes a uniform reporting system for health care service providers to provide data on medical debt to the center for health information analysis (CHIA) for the purpose of promoting uniformity and transparency on issues related to medical debt in the commonwealth. The average medical debt in Massachusetts is \$900 a family. In order to reduce or eliminate this debt we believe it's necessary to study track and understand, who is debt burdened, what procedures cause the debt and what medical servicing institutions are sending their debt to collectors.

ENVIRONMENTAL
SD18
An Act P r o -

moting Climate Safe Buildings presented by Sen. Edwards

This bill seeks to improve the safety of buildings in danger of flooding. A newly established state board shall update new building codes to help improve the structures of buildings with a threat of flooding. These building codes will help reduce the maintenance needed by the buildings over time while being environmentally friendly. This bill requires climate risk be incorporated into the state building code and empowers cities and towns to better manage development in flood prone areas.

SD1651 / HD2192
An Act Relative to the Electrification of New & Substantially Remodeled or Rehabilitated Buildings presented by Sen. Edwards, Rep. Jay Livingstone, & Rep. Kay Khan.

This bill seeks to decrease greenhouse gas emissions with new standards. Newly built or newly remodeled commercial and residential buildings shall use electricity instead of fossil fuels for utilities. Newly constructed or renovated Biolabs and hospitals will only be allowed a level of greenhouse gas emissions per square footage, to reduce to 0 by 2050.

SD1653 / HD2805
An Act Authorizing local control of Waste Collection hours of operation presented by Sen. Edwards & refiled by Rep. Jay Livingstone

This bill would propose that the Board of Health of a Massachusetts municipality be able to restrict the hours when garbage is collected in areas zones for business or commercial use. This bill would ensure that residents would not have their sleep disrupted or be disturbed by trash collection during the night.

TRANSPORTATION
SD1550 / HD3417
Act establishing a program for low-income fares (LIF) presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Adrian Madaro

This bill will enable the MBTA and the secretary of health and human services to implement a low-income fare program that provides free or discounted fares to qualified riders on all modes of transportation operated by the MBTA and regional transit authorities.

EDUCATION
SD1510 / HD2852
An Act Promoting a Foundation for Universal Childcare presented by Sen. Edwards & Rep. Jessica Giannino

This bill focuses on expanding the possibilities of childcare opportunities within the Commonwealth by removing barriers to in home childcare in private residences. This bill would prevent municipalities from implementing burdensome or harmful regulations that work as a ban to in home childcare opportunities.

SD1555
An Act Instructing the Board of Higher Education To Engage Houses of Correction & State Prisons presented by Sen. Edwards

This bill instructs the board of higher education to engage the House of Corrections and state prisons so that incarcerated persons and recently released persons receive credit toward their GED. This bill will modify the language of the general law requiring the Board of Education's General Scholarship program to include a separate and specific outreach to each county jail, house of correction, and state prison by financial aid staff of each public institution of higher education.

SD1529 / HD3628
An Act Banning Legacy Preferences in Higher Education presented by Sen. Edwards & Leader Michael Moran

This bill seeks to ban legacy preferences in higher education within the Commonwealth. Colleges and universities could not consider if an applicant has a family tie to the college or university when determining admission.

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Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere (RRO) that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday evening, February 22, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Beach Landing, LLC, 1040-1048 North Shore Road, Unit B2, Revere, MA 02151 requesting the following variance from the ZBA to enable the appellant to raze the existing structure and build a seven-story, mixed used development consisting of eighteen (18) residential units and one (1) commercial unit at 37 Revere Beach Boulevard, Revere, MA 02151:
1. Noncompliance with RRO Section 17.28.020(D) with respect to minimum parking requirements of 1.5 spaces/1 bedroom units and 1.75 spaces/2 bedroom units for apartment uses, and 1 space / 4 seats for a non-fast-food restaurant use within the RC2 District.
2. Noncompliance with RRO Section 17.28.020 minimum loading space requirement of 1 space for non-fast-food restaurant use within the RC2 District.
3. Noncompliance with Section 17.28.020 with respect to minimum parking requirements for a restaurant use of 1 space/4 seats; 3) Noncompliance with Section 17.24.010 (g) with respect to the maximum extension of balconies no more than 4 feet from the wall of the principal building over the front, side and rear yard within the RC2 District
A copy of the aforementioned plan and application (A-23-01) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.
Ashley E. Melnik, Clerk City of Revere
Zoning Board of Appeals
02/08/2023
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Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Section 17.52.060 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday evening, February 22, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Hamel Management Group, Inc., 10 Lookout Terrace, Lynnfield, MA 01940 requesting a six-month extension of the one-year exercise period from the Zoning Board of Appeals associated with the granted variances of A-22-10 to enable the appellant to raze the existing structure on the property known and numbered as 470

City of Revere
Zoning Board of Appeals
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LEGAL NOTICE

C-23-02
PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Sections 17.40.020 and 17.40.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, February 27, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Michael A. Casoli, Trustee of MAC Realty Trust, 28 Sweetser Street, Wakefield, MA 01880 seeking permission from the Revere City Council to reconstruct and extend a nonconforming use and preexisting nonconforming structure that burnt down in a fire in May 2021 for the purpose of constructing a new six (6) unit residential building with six (6) off-street parking spaces at 141 – 143 Endicott Avenue, Revere, MA 02151.
A copy of the aforementioned proposed plan and application (C-23-02) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.
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Zoning Board of Appeals
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Public Notice
City of Revere, MA
Approved
Loan Order
Drainage
System
Planning
Bonds
ORDERED: That
\$350,000 is appropriated to pay costs of design and engineering services for the development of plans and specifications for improvements to the drainage system, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(7) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling bonds or notes of the

City therefore; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.
ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the “Commonwealth”) to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City authorized to be borrowed pursuant to this loan order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith.
In City Council February 6, 2023. ORDERED on a Roll Call: Councillors Cogliandro, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Powers, Rizzo, Serino, Silvestri, Visconti, Zambuto, and Council President Keefe voting “YES”.
Signed by Mayor Arrigo, February 8, 2023
Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk
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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice
City of Revere, MA
Approved Loan Order
Drainage System Bonds
ORDERED: That
\$1,500,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing improvements to the drainage system, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefore; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.
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MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF
REAL ESTATE
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Michael A. Giambrone to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Aegis Lending Corporation, dated November 3, 2006 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40744, Page 103 (the “Mortgage”) of which mortgage U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee to Bank of America,

National Association, as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2007-HE3 is the present holder by Assignment from “MERS” Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Aegis Lending Corporation to Aegis Mortgage Corporation dated June 1, 2009 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 48191, Page 146, and Assignment from Aegis Mortgage Corporation to Merrill Lynch Mortgage Lending, Inc. dated June 3, 2009 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 48191, Page 147, and Assignment from Merrill Lynch Mortgage Lending, Inc. to U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee to Bank of America, National Association, as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2007-HE3 dated June 1, 2009 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 48191, Page 148, and Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee to Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the MLMI Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2007-HE3 dated February 2, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 49077, Page 147, and Assignment from Bank of America, N.A. to Nationstar Mortgage, LLC dated July 30, 2013 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 51983, Page 347, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 9 Haddon Street, Revere, MA 02151 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on March 14, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land in said Revere, with the buildings thereon being lot numbered 63 as shown on a plan of land in Revere, belonging to Arthur H. Curtis, dated June 7, 1923, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 4520, Page 392, bounded and described as follows: SOUTHEASTERLY: by Haddon Street, as shown on said plan, forty seven (47) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lot numbered 64 as shown on said plan, eighty six and 6/10 (86.6) feet; NORTHWESTERLY: by land of owners unknown, forty-seven (47) feet; and NORTHEASTERLY: by lots numbered 61 and 62 as shown on said plan, eighty six and 6/10 (86.6) feet; Containing 4070 square feet of land according to said plan.
For mortgagor’s title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 18357, Page 261 and as later conveyed solely to Michael A. Giambrone in Book 41802, Page 72. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies

and/or rights of parties in possession.
Terms of the Sale: Cashier’s or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee’s attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale. U.S. Bank National Association, as Successor Trustee to Bank of America, National Association, as Successor Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SUFFOLK, SS.
PROBATE COURT
Case No.
22EO097
To Lydia A. Paoletta
And Lorraine S. Sarno
And to all other persons interested.
A petition has been presented to said Court. By Joan Sinclair of Wakefield, MA, in the County of Middlesex, representing that common 1/3 undivided part or share of certain land lying in Revere, in said County Suffolk, and briefly described as follows:
A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Revere, Suffolk County, MA. Shown as lot 85 on a plan entitled “A Plan of Lots at Hillside Revere, Mass.”
Southerly: By Proctor Avenue, 50 Feet
Westerly: By lot 84, on said Plan, 115 feet
Northerly: By lot 132, as shown on said Plan 50 feet
Easterly: By lot 86, as shown on said Plan, 115 feet
Setting forth that she desire that all the following described part of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than Four hundred thousand and eighty-eight dollars. And praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o’clock in the forenoon on the 30th day of March 2023 the return date of this citation.

Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 10th day of January 2023.
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
2/15/23, 2/22/23,
3/1/23
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION
NOTICE
Docket No.
SU23PO235EA
Estate of:
Paul Michael Ford
Also Known As:
Paul M. Ford
Date of Death:
January 11, 2023
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Francis G. Ford of Lowell, MA
A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Francis G. Ford of Lowell, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No.
SU23PO105EA
Estate of:
Richard Joseph Sasso
Also known as:
Richard Sasso
Date of Death:
11/25/2022
To all interest persons:
A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will has been filed by Thomas Sasso of Wakefield, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Thomas Sasso of Wakefield, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this

Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/16/2023.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 02, 2023
Felix D. Arroyo,
Register of Probate
2/15/23
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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice
City of Revere, MA
Approved Loan Order
Water System Bonds
ORDERED: That
\$6,000,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing and reconstructing water mains, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under and

pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8(5) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefore; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.
ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the “Commonwealth”) to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City authorized to be borrowed pursuant to this loan order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith.
In City Council February 6, 2023. ORDERED on a Roll Call: Councillors Cogliandro, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Powers, Rizzo, Serino, Silvestri, Visconti, Zambuto, and Council President Keefe voting “YES”.
Signed by Mayor Arrigo, February 8, 2023
Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk
2/15/23
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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF REVERE
REQUEST FOR
QUALIFICATIONS
FOR
ON-CALL
ENGINEERING SUPPORT
SERVICE
MUN-2023-1009
Responses will be received electronically by the Purchasing Agent at purchasing@revere.org, prior to 1:00 pm on Thursday, March 2, 2023.
The City of Revere proposes to contract with responsive and responsible firms for On-Call Engineering Support Service, according to RFQ provisions. Specifications may be obtained beginning Thursday, February 16, 2023, electronically from the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, Michael Piccardi at purchasing@revere.org. Revere City Hall office hours are Monday thru Thursday, 8:15AM to 5:00 PM and Fridays, 8:15AM to 12:15 PM. Revere City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023 in observance of Presidents’ Day.
The City of Revere, as the awarding authority, reserves the right to accept any response or portion of a response, waive any minor informality in a response, investigate the ability of the respondent to honor a response, reject any and all responses, and award all contracts as shall be considered in the best interest of the City of Revere.
It is the policy of the City of Revere to take positive steps to maximize the utilization of minority business enterprises in all activities administered by this agency. All proposals submitted in response to this RFQ shall remain in force and shall not be withdrawn for ninety (30) calendar days following the RFQ submission date and time. The contract will be awarded within (30) calendar days after the RFQ submission date and time. The time for award may be extended for up to 30 additional days by mutual agreement.
This RFQ is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30B. Michael A. Piccardi
Purchasing Agent
2/15/23
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REVERE HIGH SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB ACTIVITIES

Competing at the Massachusetts Combined Qualifier this Saturday in Shrewsbury, Sophomore Susie Nicolas earned a trip to the National Catholic Forensic League Grand National Tournament to be held in Louisville,

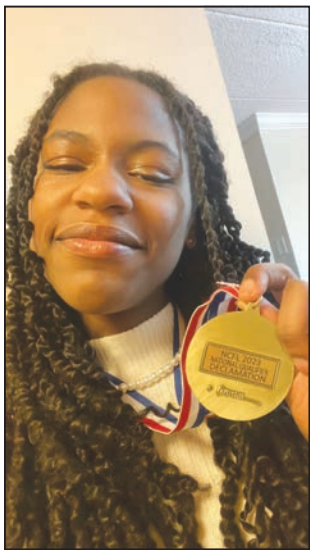
Kentucky this May. Performing her Declamation, "What's So Funny About Mental Illness", Susie earned first place in the Boston Diocese.

Meanwhile, 14 members of RHS Model UN participated in the BOS-

MUN XXII, hosted by Boston University International Affairs Association on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Revere students served on committees negotiating over issues including malaria prevention, the role of the



Shown at the BOSMUN XXII are RHS students Hana Aklog, Hana Menkari, Salsabil Mendoza, Salma Khamis, Fiona Musaraj, Sabrina Indorato, Ryessa Mezan, Juliana Bolton, Isha Hassan, Valerie Pietri, Dania Alvarez, Erta Ismahili, and Shamus Duffey. Safaa Laroussi was also in attendance.



Susie is pictured with her medal and among fellow national qualifiers from Massachusetts high schools.

media, indigenous rights, sustainable development, labor rights, and combating the opioid epidemic just to name a few. RHS alumnus Sarah Benhalima, now a senior at B.U. studying international relations, served as one of the conference organizers and chair of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.



Members of the Revere High School Model UN team shown at the BOSMUN XXII this past weekend.

Make a splash at the 2023 JetBlue Shamrock Splash

Staff Report

Get Cold for a Cause on Sunday March 12 with Save the Harbor/Save the Bay at the 12th annual JetBlue Shamrock Splash! Join 250 splashers to raise money for free, fun summer events in YOUR community by plunging into the cold, clean waters of Boston Harbor at Constitution Beach in East Boston.

After a plunge in the

cold harbor, participants will warm up with plenty of hot clam chowder and Harpoon beverages. Splashers are encouraged to wear a zany outfit or kooky costume of their choosing. The top six fundraisers and participants with the best costumes will win free round trip JetBlue tickets to anywhere JetBlue flies.

Money raised at the Shamrock Splash will support Save the Harbor/Save

the Bay's Better Beaches Program in partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The Better Beaches grant allows local organizations to host fun beach events free to the public in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull.

Last year, money raised at the splashed sponsored events in Winthrop including movie nights, kayak-



Participants of the 2022 Shamrock Splash run into the cold water of East Boston's Constitution Beach

ing, canoeing, swimming, and more.

This year, with your help, Save the Harbor will be able to award \$300,000 in Better Beaches grants to local organizations.

Make a team, raise money, and brave the cold harbor! To register for the 2023 JetBlue Shamrock Splash, visit www.shamrocksplash.com

Got a great idea for a free beach event or program? Let us know and apply for a Better Beaches grant at <https://www.savetheharbor.org/better-beaches!> You can also vote for your favorite event idea at <https://www.savetheharbor.org/participatory>.

Save the Harbor's success would not be possible without our program partners and event sponsors, including Arctic Chill, FMC Ice Sports, Bay State Cruise Company, Blue Cross Blue Shield of MA, The Blue Sky Collaborative, Boston & Maine Webcams, The Boston Foundation, BostonHarbor.com, Boston Properties, Coast Cannabis, The Coca-Cola Foundation, Comcast, Cronin Group, Constellation Generation, Comcast Foundation, the Daily Catch, Department of Conservation and Recreation, Eastern Salt Company, Inc, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Harpoon, IR+M Charitable Fund, JetBlue, John Hancock Financial Services, Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, Massport, P&G Gillette, Mix 104.1, National Grid, and The Richard Saltonstall Charitable Foundation.

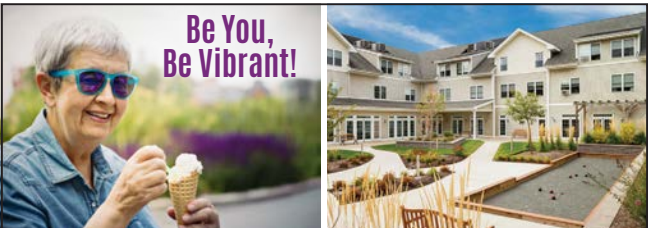
In addition, Save the



Splashers dress up in all kinds of costumes for the event, and the best costume wins roundtrip JetBlue tickets.

Harbor recognizes the Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn, and Representative Adrian Madaro of East Boston and the legislative and community members of the Commission as well as Senate President Karen Spilka and House Speaker Ron Mariano for their support for our beaches and our communities.

We also thank the Baker-Polito Administration, the Massachusetts Legislature, Save the Harbor's partners at the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Boston Centers for Youth & Families, the YMCA of Greater Boston, and the hundreds of people who take part in the Shamrock Splash for their support.



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