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DA HAYDEN
ANNOUNCES
COMMUNITY
FORUMS IN
REVERE AND
DORCHESTER

Suffolk District Attorney Kevin Hayden and members of his transition team and Community Engagement Unit will hold community forums in Revere and Dorchester in April, the office announced today.

The Revere forum will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5 at Rumney Marsh Academy, 140 American Legion Highway.

The public is encouraged to attend the sessions. "I and the members of my transition team and Community Engagement Unit look forward to hearing from residents in Revere and Dorchester and answering any questions about our office's role in public safety and community relations," Hayden said.

MBTA PUBLISHES
3-YEAR SAFETY
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PLAN

The MBTA announced the release of its 3-Year Safety Improvement Plan, a forward-looking document that on the MBTA's

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RHS JROTC HOLDS BATTALION BALL



Senior Army Instructor Maj. Deborah A. Bowker welcomes cadet Iaso DaSilva and Anna Fernandez to the Casa Lucia on Friday, March 31, during the RHS JROTC Patriot Battalion Military Ball. See more photos on Page 12.

Cogliandro will seek re-election in Ward 3

Special to the Journal

Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro has announced his re-election candidacy for Ward 3. The following is his statement:

My name is Anthony Saverio Cogliandro, and I am officially announcing my campaign for re-election as Revere's Ward 3 City Councillor.

I am a home and small business owner. I have three children and I am a life-long resident of Revere.



Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro.

The Cogliandro family has deep roots here and has been a staple of this community for 65 years.

My grandparents, Sam & Anna Cogliandro, bought their home

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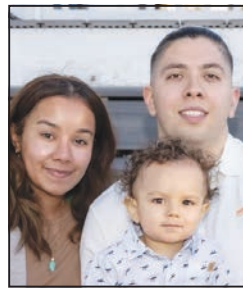
Jaramillo announces At-Large Council run

Special to the Journal

Juan Pablo Jaramillo has announced his candidacy for Revere City Council at-large. The following is his statement:

On Monday, April 3, Revere Planning Board Member, Democratic State Committeeman, and union leader Juan Pablo Jaramillo announced his candidacy for one of the open at-large council seats in this year's municipal elections.

Jaramillo, a homeowner in Revere, has lived here since the age of seven when



Juan Pablo Jaramillo, with his wife, Crystal, and son, Lucas.

his family and him immigrated to Revere from Colombia. A proud product of Revere High School, Juan is a local and statewide leader leading on issues of labor and envi-

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Council votes to hear more information on high school project in subcommittee

By Adam Swift

The City Council will take up further discussion of the future of a new Revere High School at its existing site at its next meeting of its ways and means subcommittee.

As of Monday night, the date of that meeting had yet to be set, although it is expected to take place prior to the next regular council meeting scheduled for Monday, April 24.

At the most recent council meeting this past Monday, April 3, administration officials were ready to make a presentation to update the council

on the status of the high school building project, but Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto moved that the request from Mayor Brian Arrigo be moved to subcommittee without further discussion.

"This communication runs afoul of our rules of order," said Zambuto. "It is also a violation of the open meeting law and it does not have sufficient backup. I request that it goes to committee without debate."

Arrigo had sent a letter to the council, along with an attached presentation on the status and timetable for moving back to

the current high school site, requesting that it be discussed Monday night. At the end of February, the council voted against moving forward with schematic design plans for a new high school on the Wonderland property.

Arrigo's aide, Gianni Hill, said he did not see how the mayor's request violated the open meeting law.

"You all received the communication from the mayor and it also said to please see the attached presentation, which was included," said Hill. "That

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Council lays out rules for behavior

By Adam Swift

Decorum prevailed at Monday night's City Council meeting.

At the beginning of the meeting, Council President Patrick Keefe addressed the incident that happened during the March 27 meeting, when tempers flared during the continued debate over the high school building project. A halt was called during the meeting as a scuffle broke out. Resident and former council candidate Wayne Rose was charged on counts of assault and disorderly conduct.

At the April 3 meeting, Keefe had City Clerk Ashley Melnik read the rules for videotaping, behavior, and procedure during council meetings.

"We don't mean to overburden the crowd, and we don't want to overburden the public with rules that may or may not be as understandable," said Keefe. "In essence, we want to explain that we want as much public participation as possible. We owe it to you to open that process and ensure that residents

and people are involved in the public process."

Keefe said that the action of a few people should not outweigh the participation of the many.

"Last week, we had a very good meeting, believe it or not," said Keefe. "There were 60, 80, 100 residents in here that were doing a very nice job, but unfortunately at times, the actions of a few can really overshadow that. We owe it to our children, our families, and those we represent to be better, and I know that we are."

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna thanked the police officers who helped de-escalate the situation at the March 27 meeting. She said the situation could have gotten out of hand without the actions of the officers.

Over the past two years, there have been a number of times when there have been additional police details on duty in the council chambers as issues such as the new high school, biolab safety procedures, and the human rights commission have come up for debate.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JOSEPHINE!



Longtime Revere resident Josephine Gagliardi shown above celebrating her 102nd Birthday recently at Red's Tavern in Peabody. See another photo on Page 2.

ZBA approves 48-unit building at 791 Broadway

By Journal Staff

The Revere Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday evening, March 29, in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber.

Chairman Michael G. Tucker and fellow members James O'Brien, Aklog Limeneh, and Arthur

Pelton were on hand for the meeting.

The board quickly moved through three applications before taking up the matter of a 48-unit apartment building at 791 Broadway.

The first hearing of the evening pertained to an application by Frank Lanzillo of Danvers, who requested the following variances to enable him

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Spot Pond Water To Be Drinkable Soon

Local Supply Being Purified

That "fishy taste," and odor, inseparably identified with the water of Spot Pond in Middlesex Fells has been eliminated at the source and can be expected to disappear from drinking water drawn at outlets in homes served by the reservoir within a few days.

This assurance was given Wednesday by officials of the metropolitan district commission.

Wednesday the work of treating the pond with copper sulphate, an agent effective in killing the responsible organisms, was completed. This treatment has already eradicated all trace of the objectionable taste in the water in the pond itself, but it will take a day or two, or possibly more, before the taste will be eliminated at faucet outlets in the homes, due to the presence of quantities of untreated water in the water-main system.

Governor Ely assured both Representatives Airola and Carroll, after a conference Thursday morning on this matter, that if the taint was not eliminated completely within a few days that he would take emergency measures to eliminate Spot pond as a water supply.

Pupils To Give Musical Revue Monday and Tuesday Nights

Monday and Tuesday evening, April 4 and 5, at the Revere High School auditorium, the pupils of the school are to give a Musical Revue. The purpose of this revue is to raise money for athletics at the school.

The students and faculty are giving their time in an effort to make this affair a success, and this revue promises to be good entertainment.

TO PLANT TREES ARBOR DAY IN FRONT OF LEGION BLDG.

Arbor Day, April 14, will see tree planting exercises on the lawn in front of the Legion Memorial building, at which time a tree representative of each of the 13 original colonies which went to make up the United States will be planted.

This is part of the program arranged by Mayor Andrew A. Casassa as Revere's contribution to the Washington Bi-Centennial celebration. He has written to the governors of the states which comprise the original colonies asking for a tree representative of the state and has received favorable replies from all with the exception of New York.

Monster Boy Scout Rally

There will be a monster rally in which all Boy Scouts of Revere will participate in the City hall on Tuesday evening, April 5.

Boy Scout officials from Washington, D. C., and Boston will attend. The public is invited to be present.

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Del Grosso's Case Put Off For 2 Weeks

Another continuance was granted the Revere Police in their prosecution of Joseph Del Grosso, Country club owner, in the District court at Chelsea Tuesday morning.

Del Grosso, along with his younger brother Dario Del Grosso and Henry Ford are being held by the police on charges of assault and battery on a police officer and the robbery of a gun.

The request for the continuance was made by Captain William Tappan prosecuting officer so that he might have more time to clear up a few details of the case before it goes to trial.

In the corridors of the court this morning it was hinted that the police are searching for another employee of the Country club who when arrested will be charged with the same offences as was Joe Del Grosso.

Del Grosso was represented in the court by Atty. Max Glazier of Boston. The continuance was for two weeks.

BOSTON POSTAL EMPLOYEES GIVE \$400.80 TO LOCAL FUND

Boston postal employees have forwarded to the mayor's unemployment relief committee a check for \$400.80 as Revere's share of their contribution for that purpose. This is the amount contributed by Revere residents who are employed throughout the Boston postal district.

Mayor Andrew A. Casassa has turned the check over to the treasurer of the unemployment relief fund for the use of the Revere Visiting Nurse Association in caring for the needy of the city.

MEDFORD GIRL TO MARRY REVERE MAN

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Gould of Medford announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Betty Rea, to Mr. John MacFarlane Murray, son of Lieutenant and Mrs. Burton A. Murray of Revere.

Miss Rea was graduated from Somerville High School in the class of 1927. Mr. Murray graduated from Revere High School and from Northeastern University in 1928. He is now associated with the Simplex Wire and Cable Co. of Cambridge.

POLICE START LISTING OF REVERE POLL'S TODAY

Beginning Friday, April 1, a police officer will visit each residence in the city for the annual listing.

The officer must obtain the usual information for every resident 20 years of age or older, including name, age, occupation, place of residence on April 1, 1932 and April 1, 1931, and the number of male residents 18 and 19 years of age.

Every citizen should assist the police in this work. Each year many persons are dropped from the voting lists for various reasons. The number dropped could be appreciably reduced by proper co-operation with the police.

All dogs must also be listed.

Revere Listing Board,
John M. Liset.

Brother Identifies Man Who Collapsed In Hotel

A man whose name was first thought to be Charles Rossi registered at the Hotel Manger, Boston, where he collapsed suddenly last Sunday morning and later died at the Haymarket Relief Hospital, was found to be Frank Corso, for some time estranged from his wife and four children, who live at 22 George st., Revere.

The puzzle of making the man's identity was handled by Medical Examiner George B. Magrath when he was called in to assist the police on Sunday morning. Final identification was established by a brother of the dead man, Charles Corso of 36 Warren street, this city.

GOV. ELY IS PLEASED AT REVERE'S SUCCESS

Rep. Thomas F. Carroll has received the following letter from Gov. Ely, who has taken an active and friendly interest in the efforts of Revere officials to borrow the funds needed to pay the city's employees:

"I am glad to have you call my attention last week to financial difficulties facing the city of Revere. The situation had reached a critical phase, and I am as happy as you are that the negotiations suggested have been concluded so favorably for the welfare of the city.

"Sincerely yours,
"JOSEPH B. ELY,
"Governor."

The sewing circle attached to the Congressional Church in Marchfield, Mass., as been in existence 85 years.

Kiwanians Show Appreciation of Mayor

Rev. Cato Dick Give Credit For City Financing

Rev. Cato Dick will conduct his last service as pastor of the First Methodist Church tomorrow evening at 7:30. "The Cross" will be the main theme of his farewell sermon. He will also touch on several of his personal experiences here.

Mr. Dick was called to Revere in April, 1923, concluding two years of service in Belchertown in the Western part of the State. He succeeded the Rev. Vandermark as pastor.

During his stay here Rev. Dick has gained the affection of his parishioners and the esteem of the entire city. His parting will be greatly regretted.

Next week he will attend a conference at Leominster where he will receive his next appointment.

Dr. Margolin Speaker At Revere Y. M. and Y. W. H. A.

Dr. Arnold D. Margolin, noted jurist, writer and lecturer, discussed "Jews in Present-Day Russia," at the Y. M. and Y. W. H. A. forum Sunday evening in the Hebrew Educational Center.

Charles Dreyer, members of the School Committee, was chairman and introduced Dr. Margolin to the audience. Dr. Margolin attained high fame several years ago for his work in organizing the defence of the internationally known Mendel Bellis trial.

REVERE ORIOLES HOLD TENTH ANNUAL BALL

More than 1300 people gathered at the Crescent Gardens ballroom Monday evening to enjoy the 10th annual frolic and dance of Revere Nest of Orioles.

The principal invited guests of the evening were Mayor and Mrs. Andrew A. Casassa, Senator Conde J. Brodine, Representatives Augustine Airola and Thomas F. Carroll and members of the city government.

Ballroom dances and prize waltzes featured the merriment of the evening and hundreds of favors and noise makers were distributed.

The committee in charge was headed by Fred Haas and included James Castaldo, secretary; Rudolph Kohnweiss, treasurer; Anthony C. Moschella, William H. Barry, John Picardi, Joseph Nolin, E. M. DiMarco, James Sarno, James Coppola, Thomas C. Starr, Michael Schena, Prisco Buonopane, Harry Mascoe, Paul C. Wallace, John Wallace, Gasper Blasi, Charles Myette, Michael DiCarlo, Peter DiCarlo, Joseph Melichione, Domenic Olivolo, Anthony Di Prizio, Francis X. Barry, Ralph Fabiano, Joseph Marino, Orlando Demaso, Leo Marino, James Chisholm, Joseph R. Vesce, Walter Keenan, Salvatore, Oliver, Frank Lessa.

A group of young men have recently formed a club called the "Concor S & A." The purposes of this club are to promote athletics and social activities. A membership drive is now in progress. Any young man wishing to join this club, between the ages of 16 and 18, please communicate with Mr. J. Pearlstein, 53 Kimball Ave.

Suburban Gas & Electric Co. Employees' Safety Meeting

One hundred and fifteen employees of the Mutual Benefit Association of the Suburban Gas and Electric Company gathered on Wednesday evening in the American Legion hall for their annual Safety meeting.

A delicious supper was served at 6 o'clock which was followed by a splendid address on "Safety," by Morgan T. Ryan, Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

Mr. Ryan urged each one to play the game when he drives his car, just as he would play a game of bridge or billiards—give the other fellow a chance. Don't take chances with your life or the lives of other automobilists or pedestrians, they have a right to live. He especially scored the drunken driver, who kills and speeds away.

In this day and age when so many business houses depend upon their cars as a means of bringing in the necessary business, they should be extra careful to see that their drivers are well instructed on "Safety" and how to handle a car. In other words, it is up to the individual himself to make the highways safe for travel.

Certificates were also presented to twenty-one employees who successfully passed the First-Aid course of the Red Cross.

A comedy sketch and dancing concluded the evening's entertainment.

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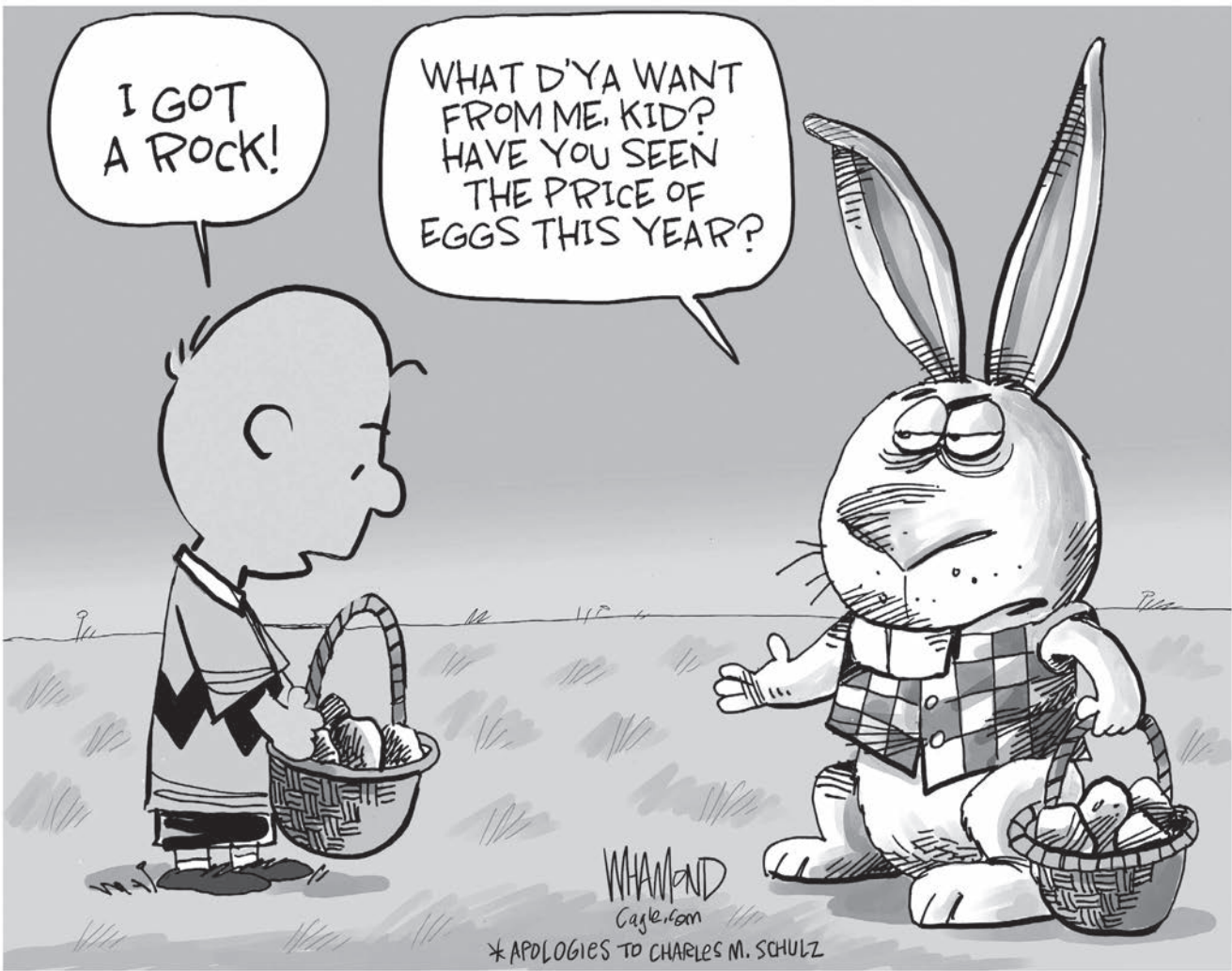
One of the things that we take for granted as Americans is our freedom to worship -- or not to worship -- as we see fit.

What brings this thought to mind is the plethora of religious-oriented observances that are occurring this month: the Muslim holy month of Ramadan has been ongoing since March 22 and extends through April 20; the week-long Jewish celebration of Passover begins today (Wednesday); Easter Sunday, preceded by Good Friday, is this Sunday for Catholics and Protestant denominations; and the Orthodox Christian observance of Easter is set for next Sunday.

In addition, the Cambodian community will be celebrating the Cambodian New Year for three days from April 14-16.

This confluence of religious holidays serves as a reminder to all of us that the concept of freedom of religion began -- and still exists -- in America. Most of the Pilgrims, as well as many of the other early settlers of America, were religious separatists who had broken from the Church of England and who came to America in order to be free from persecution (though the Pilgrims, who were known as Puritans, were themselves intolerant of other religions).

We wish to take this opportunity to wish our readers of all religious preferences a happy and healthy holiday season.



GOOD LUCK, MR. ENG -- YOU'LL NEED IT

Governor Maura Healey last week announced the appointment of Phillip Eng as the next General Manager of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA). Eng is an engineer with nearly 40 years of experience in transportation, including serving as the President of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Long Island Rail Road and the Interim President of New York City Transit.

To say that Mr. Eng will be facing a number of significant and immediate challenges is not even an understatement.

His appointment comes on the heels of an announcement by the T a few weeks ago that speed restrictions between 10-25 miles per hour on the Red, Orange, Blue, and Green Lines -- in other words, the entire system -- were to go into effect immediately because of the decrepit condition of the rail beds on the T's tracks.

As we can attest after riding on the Red Line two weeks ago -- in which we crawled along at a snail's pace for almost the entire ride from South Station through Quincy -- the T's Rapid Transit system is anything but rapid and more aptly could be described as the Turtle Trolley.

In addition to unsafe tracks, the T also has to deal with the roving gangs of thugs on its trains who terrorize passengers with seeming impunity, as has been the case recently on the other end of the Red Line, where passengers were mugged during rush hour at Harvard Square station.

The T also has to address a serious shortfall of workers. According to news reports, the T is offering new employees a \$7500 cash signing bonus in order to make a dent in its present shortfall of 2800 workers. The manpower shortage already is having an effect on the frequency of bus routes. But given the low unemployment rate in the state, the T's prospects of getting the new workers it needs to function at anywhere near 100 percent optimization seem slim.

The T also is dealing with a huge decrease in ridership across all of its modes of transportation. We took the Hingham Ferry to Rowe's Wharf last week during rush hour. Before the pandemic, there would be a long line of commuters snaking along the waterfront from the Rowe's Wharf hotel to board the ferry back to Hingham.

Instead there were no more than 10 people waiting to get onto the boat -- and this was at 5:30 on a Friday evening, usually a prime-time rush hour boat that ordinarily would be packed with commuters. This decrease is not confined to the ferry. According to the T's own figures, there were 1.2 million daily riders of the T in February, 2019. However, in February 2023, the number was 702,000 -- a huge decline that is not expected to increase any time soon.

In addition, the T's ambitious plans to electrify its buses have encountered significant delays. In order to electrify its buses, the T needs to construct new garages that are capable of charging an electric bus fleet. However, the garages that already are under construction in Cambridge and Quincy are facing significant delays and the third garage on the Arborway in Jamaica Plain already is two years behind schedule. Plus, according to news reports, the T is facing delays in the delivery of the electric buses it has ordered.

It is clear that even with a significant infusion of cash from the legislature, the T will have difficulty bringing its system into the 21st century. Moreover, given the already-low ridership and the poor quality of service, the T will continue to lose riders who cannot afford to be late for work everyday because of decrepit infrastructure and a lack of workers.

The MBTA always has been a favorite target for criticism from the press and politicians. However, the many years of neglected maintenance, which are due entirely to underfunded budgets from the legislature, combined with the after-effects of the pandemic, have brought the T to the crisis situation it is facing today.

Mr. Eng may very well be a superb choice for the top job at the T, but no one should expect him to work miracles.

All of us should wish him the best of luck because a modern and efficient public transportation system is essential for the Boston Metropolitan area to thrive.

BEEN THINKING ABOUT THE CROSS

Dear Editor,

Have you ever wondered why Jesus had to go to the cross? He wasn't a victim because we can read what Jesus Himself said: "My Father loves Me because I lay down My life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down Myself. I have power to lay it down,

and I have power to take it up again. This command I have received from My Father. (John 10:17-18) He also makes the profound statement to Nicodemus that "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God sent His Son not to condemn the world but through Him it may be

saved." (John 3:16-17)

None of our "good works" would ever pay the penalty for our Sin. Only Christ, the God-Man could accomplish this. What puts the exclamation point to this sacrificial work of redemption by Christ is that after three days in the tomb, He rose bodily to life again, to live forever! Thus He conquered Sin, Death and the

Grave forever for those who believe in Him!

Christ finished Redemption: "When Jesus received the sour wine, He said: 'It is finished!' And bowing His head, He gave up His Spirit." (John 19:30) The Cross of Christ is crucial for Redemption to take place. Without it, we would all still be forever lost!

Lucia Hunter

LETTER to the Editor

GUEST OP-ED

A message from Fr. Ron Coyne

By Father Coyne

On behalf of myself and the staff at Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish I wish you and those you love a Happy Easter. I hope the season of lent was a transformation 40 days for those who chose to attempt to become a better person(not necessarily in others eyes but in their own). If I believe I'm created in God's image then I should want to feel good about myself. It is not a sin to like yourself. I feel badly for those I meet who have a poor self-image. I realize there are many childhood traumas that take their toll in some people's lives and that can weigh heavily as they attempt to mature. We are all human which means each of us has our good days and bad days, our successes and defeats, our triumphs, and tragedies. The God that I believe in today, accompanies each of us on our journey and is very aware of how complicated life can be. That God doesn't judge us but affirms us as we attempt to become all we are created to be.

As we celebrate the

Resurrection of Christ I am blessed to believe life after this life. I may not know what is beyond the grave, but I do know who. We celebrate this weekend the Resurrection from life on earth to life in the presence of God. That is the ultimate concept of Resurrection. I was raised to believe it, I celebrate it with you every week and I know it will one day be my reality. Knowing this has to make a difference in my everyday life. But we also live on in this life which is another understanding of resurrection. All the good we do and the input we have in the lives of those we love surely means that I live on. The differences we make in the world around us as we support charities and champion causes will have lasting effects in our community long after I am physically gone. Sometimes our dreams are so real as we remember deceased loved ones that we actually reconnect them for periods of time and the reality of their death only is made real as we wake. How blessed are we as well to recount episodes in our deceased loved ones lives

as we mention their name and tell their story. It's as if we bring them back to life. Along these lines I've seen the expression that "we die twice; once when we take our last breath and once when the last person mentions our name".

This weekend we celebrate the resurrection as the Christian community. Many will celebrate at Church with others who believe as we do. We say that faith is a gift. Today I thank God for the gift of being a believer. I am grateful to celebrate that

faith among you as a Catholic. I thank you for your presence and inspiration.

May God bless you and those you love with peace, happiness, and good health. May you spend Easter surrounded by those you Love.

Enjoy life! Happy Easter!

Fr. Coyne is the pastor for the Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish, which includes St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Revere, and Our Lady of Grace in Chelsea.

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A group of ten people, including law enforcement and community members, standing together for a group photo in a formal setting. The group consists of nine men and one woman, dressed in a mix of suits, business casual attire, and police uniforms. They are posed in a room with a patterned carpet and a chandelier in the background.

A photograph of three people standing behind a table covered with a clear plastic sheet. The table is filled with numerous small, clear plastic water bottles. On the left, a woman with dark hair and a black jacket is leaning on the table. In the center, a woman with dark hair and a red top under a blue denim jacket is standing. On the right, a man wearing a blue baseball cap and a blue sweatshirt with a logo is standing. The background is a simple indoor setting with a wooden wall and a doorway.

A group of four people, two women and two men, are standing in front of a bar. The bar has a backshelf filled with various bottles of liquor. From left to right: a woman with dark hair wearing a black jacket, a woman with dark hair wearing a denim jacket over a red top, a man with a shaved head wearing a light blue polo shirt, and a man with a beard and glasses wearing a dark blue jacket. They are all smiling at the camera.

A smiling woman with brown hair tied back, wearing a black long-sleeved top and light green trousers, holds a white plate of food. The plate contains a burger with a slice of cheese, a side of fries, and a small portion of green salad. In the background, other people are seated at tables in a dining room with large windows and patterned carpeting.

event to offer their thanks and gratitude for their service to their country and their community. Nine Million Americans served in the military during that period, 58,000 names appear memorialized on the Vietnam Veteran Memorial aka “the Wall” in Washington D.C., and some, never received any recognition when they returned home. To all those who served our nation and to their families, we acknowledge their heroism and sacrifices, and as a nation we will be eternally grateful.



Revere High School to perform its first musical in 30 years

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Under the direction of Revere High School Theatre teacher Kristina Menissian, RHS students will perform their first musical in 30 years on April 12th and 13th. The musical, *Menissian*, who previously taught drama at SBA for 15 years, is a first year theatre teacher at RHS. "This show is our first musical production in over 30 years. I felt the way to get kids involved in starting a theatre program at RHS was for them to see themselves represented on stage. We know that representation matters. In addition, there was a recent movie, it's hip hop music- a bit more palatable than say, *Cinderella*."

"The decision to do this show was intentional and purposeful. The story of *In The Heights* is about the hispanic population of Washington Heights, NYC. The characters struggle with the same issues that any immi-

grant family struggles with- language barriers, wanting a better life for themselves and their children, escaping dangerous and challenging situations in their home countries. This show offered the opportunity for me to bring my knowledge of theatre and for the cast to bring their knowledge of their cultures- they taught me just as much about their cultures as much as I taught them about theatre. It's been a collaborative process."

Menissian also added, "Most of the cast has never done a show before. I know theatre can be a place for kids who have no interest in sports or current clubs that are offered. I know theatre can help kids build confidence and highlight talents that you may not see in a general ed classroom. I know theatre is a place where people can collaborate and after Covid, it was very apparent as an educator that kids needed to sort of relearn how to interact

with each other in person. I know from my experience teaching drama at SBA, that teachers seeing their students in a different environment can really impact how they see that student in their own classroom and offer a talking point to build a relationship with that student. I've seen theatre change kids' lives. Even if pursuing theatre professionally is not the long term goal, it builds confidence and positively impacts self esteem and offers a respite for students. I am so proud of the work our students have done and I am so honored to help bring theatre to Revere High School."

Students are equally excited about the upcoming production. Junior Adriana DeCicco is the stage manager. "In the past, I have been a part of some shows at SBA with Ms. Menissian. I've also taken some theatre classes at RHS and plan on taking more next year. I wanted to be a part of this show because there really hasn't been a drama program at the high school level in a while. As stage manager, I help with a lot of the behind-the-scenes stuff. I manage the cast and handle their needs. I do a lot of the tasks that Ms. Menissian gives me or anything that she needs to be done. I'm pretty much Ms. Menissian's right-hand woman. There are also times when there is drama in the drama community so helping to solve those issues is an important thing. When it comes time for show night I will be calling the show, which means I get to send the light cues during the whole show. It's an interesting experience, and I'm



The cast of Revere High School's *In The Heights*.

glad to be a part of it."

Senior Julianna Marchese plays Vanessa. "I have always loved musical theatre, and really just the sense of community you get with the other people in the cast working on a show. It's nice to have a place where you can just be yourself and be with people who also enjoy doing this along with you. I play Vanessa. She wants to be out on her own and not stuck where she has been her whole life. She's such a funny, interesting, and really amazing character, and I really enjoy being given the opportunity to put my spin on her. Being able to have these theatre arts classes have really made my high school experience so much better. Before there wasn't really much that engaged me or helped me be engaged in school. Now though, I have something to look forward that helps me get through the day."

Sophomore Kathy Granados plays Nina. "I hold a little bit of theatre experience, mainly in elementary school. I played Gertrude in *Seussical* and *Belle in Beauty* and the *Beast* at the Hill School. I wanted to be part of this production because performing is something I'm very passionate about. I also enjoy creating new bonds with all the people

that participate. Nina is the first member of her family to attend college at Stanford university, so everyone in the barrio regards her as the "one who made it." When she returns home from school for the summer, she informs her parents and all those around her that she has dropped out due to being overburdened. To portray her character is something so emotional and raw. I'd love to thank anyone and everyone who has put their time, money, and effort into making all of this possible. If it weren't for this opportunity, I feel like all of this talent would go to waste. I truly appreciate the people who made this happen because it's something I love to do."

Senior Sabrina De Lima Marques portrays Daniela. "I grew up thinking I was insane, but it turns out I'm an actress. I remember each of my roles. I was part of some short films and theatrical performances during high school in Brazil. I remember each character and their stories and carry them with me on this journey. To be part of *In The Heights* means the next step for me, the biggest I had ever taken, and what I am most proud of. Mostly because I'm in the U.S doing theater. Playing

Daniela is an honor. She brings representativeness and comedy to the public. I admire this woman for doing whatever it is she loves and while owning her own business. Last, but not least, I want to thank the whole cast & crew for making this happen so beautifully. Ms. Menissian has been doing such an amazing job too! I'm super proud of the environment we created."

Director of Fine Arts Kelly Williams has high praise for the cast and crew. "It is SO hard to even express how proud and amazed I am with this production. I can cry just thinking about how dedicated this cast has been and how the journey to watch this come to life has made me feel. Kristina Menissian has a natural way of directing students. It's incredible to watch her teach RHS students all about theater. I have been extremely grateful for the opportunity to support this production. The students' dedication and commitment has been inspiring. The smiles and joy this opportunity has brought to our high school students has been a highlight during my first year as Fine Arts Director. I am proud of everyone involved



In the Heights to be performed at RHS.

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Revere Boxing Club assists in Red Sox Opening Day prep

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Revere Boxing Outreach & Private Jewell



Members of the Club help lay a large American Flag over the outfield.

Boxing Club from Lynn were invited to visit historic Fenway Park last week to assist with Opening Day ceremony preparations. This included the rolling of the United States flag that hangs over the famous Green Monster. The flag is dropped prior to the first pitch on Opening Day. Revere's own John Coyne, known as The Spiderman of Fenway Park, is also the U.S. Flag Coordinator for Fenway Park and hosted the clubs. John is no stranger crowds, heights, or the boxing ring. John used to box amateur out of both Revere and Lynn.

In attendance were Revere Police School Resource Officers Milton Alfaro, Joseph Singer,



Members of the Revere Boxing Club shown on Fenway Park prior to Opening Day festivities.

Joseph Internicola, and Bryan Brenes and RPD Union President Officer Joe Duca, Revere Boxing Captains Sebastian Orelana and Jamil Orchi accompanied the Club including his Team Captains Anderson Blanco, Alex Mencia and the rest of the Wolf Den.

CITY COUNCIL HONORS THE BIASELLA FAMILY



CARY SHUMAN PHOTOS

The Revere City Council awarded a Certificate of Appreciation to the Biasella family for its participation in park-builds and cleanups of the city, an effort that helps enhance the community's aesthetics. The family's continuing volunteer work was noteworthy during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pictured at the award presentation ceremony are Citation sponsors, City Councillors Steven Morabito (left) and Richard Serino (right), honorees Vanessa Biaselli and her husband, Michael A. Biasella, and their children, (from left), Joseph Biasella, Shane Hurley, and Michael Biasella.

CITY COUNCIL HONORS JOSEPH MAGLIONE UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM REVERE DPW



The City Council honored Joseph Maglione of the Revere DPW Water and Sewer Department upon his retirement after 36 years of service to the city. City Council Patrick Keefe lauded Maglione's dedication to his job and his encyclopedic knowledge of the city's water system. Pictured with Joseph Maglione at the presentation ceremony are from left: City Councillors Anthony Cogliandro, Joanne McKenna, Steven Morabito, and Ira Novoselsky, Council President Patrick Keefe, State Rep. Jessica Giannino (who presented a State Citation to Mr. Maglione), and City Councillors Dan Rizzo, Marc Silvestri, Richard Serino, Gerry Visconti, and Anthony Zambuto.

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CITY OFFICIALS TURN OUT FOR AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH



Local elected officials and residents gathered on Monday at City Hall in front of the Love sign for Autism Acceptance to mark the start of Autism Acceptance Month. Shown in the photo to the right are Robert Haas III, candidate for Councillor at Large with his wife Nanci and children son RJ and daughter Leni.



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in this monumental musical. Thank you Kristina Menissian and Tina Petty for all your hard work and bringing back theater to RHS. Best wishes to the amazing cast and crew, I am so proud of you. " Superintendent Dianne Kelly expressed excitement on what she calls a huge milestone. "The fine arts, for many students, are critical to their sense of belonging and ability to engage in school. In recent years, we have had a handful of very successful programs throughout the district including rock ensemble, March on the Arts, and some theatrical plays at the

middle and high schools. I'm really proud to work with Ms. Williams and all of our Fine Arts teachers who finally have the resources they need to help our students across the city shine in their craft. I think we are at the beginning stages of developing a comprehensive and inclusive fine arts program. Into the Heights is the first musical production at Revere High School in over 3 decades. This is a huge milestone for our students and our staff!" There will be two chances to see the show, Wednesday April 12th and Thursday, April 13th at 8:00pm. The show features a two

story set design and live orchestra. To get tickets, please click on link <https://www.ticketsource.us/revere-public-schools-fine-arts-department> The full cast is listed below: **In The Heights Cast List** Usnavi – Jonathan Moran Benny – Santiago Gil Betancourt Vanessa - Julianna Marchese Abuela Claudia - Nandy Wilson Nina Rosario - Kathy Granados Alvarez Sonny – Mariah Ayala Graffiti Pete - Iago Da Silva Daniela - Sabrina

Marquez Carla – Lani Nova Piragua Guy - Izabelly AlvesDosSantos Kevin Rosario - James Ortiz Camila Rosario - Wendy Gutierrez **Featured Singers** Maria - Susie Nicolas Isabella - Dina Oufessa Luisa - Valery Echavarria Valentina - Emily Ardon Andrea - Emily Buss **Lead Dancers** Dina Oufessa Emily Ardon James Ortiz Kaylee Hercules Lander Leila Selman Paulina Uran

Susie Nicolas Valery Echavarria Jimenez Emily Buss **Ensemble** Jose Aparicio Grajales Ana Kalliavas Kaylee Hercules Lander Leila Selman Dina Oufessa Lindsey Trinidad Meza Emily Ardon Paulina Uran Susie Nicolas Hadassa Negrini Gianna Barrile Mia Perrin **Ensemble** Harrison Rua Saphira Restrepo

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commitment to strengthen its safety culture through continuous improvement. The three-Year Safety Improvement Plan was produced in response to an act of the Legislature

and incorporates a number of safety-related initiatives related to all modes of transportation operated by the MBTA. The plan is centered on four categories: workforce; data,

system, and communications; rules, policies, and procedures; and quality management. In each category and across all modes, the plan lays out a series of objectives that will result

in improved service while prioritizing the safety of MBTA customers, employees, and contractors at all times.

The MBTA's three-Year Safety Improvement Plan embodies a multitude of mandated requirements from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), United States Coast Guard (USCG), and the Department of Public Utilities (DPU). It contains an overview of the relevant state and federal regulatory authorities, required safety plans, a description of each transit mode, safety objectives for the next three years, and the safety performance targets for each transportation mode. This document also includes an overview of the FTA's Safety Management Inspection (SMI), related Special Directives, and MBTA's targets for achieving compliance with the directives.

This Safety Improvement Plan is in addition to the FTA's Safety Management Inspection report produced in 2022. That process involved a review of operations, training, vehicle maintenance, signals, train control, and track access among other items. As a result, the FTA issued eight special directives; in response, the T developed 38 corrective action plans and 545 action items that detail how the T intends

SBA STUDENTS GET CAUGHT UP WITH THE NEWS



Members of Alexandra Butler's SBA students looked through the stories in the paper to find civics vocabulary words that we have learned throughout the year, such as: city council, federal, community, and senator. In all classes, eighth grade students were excited to read all about what is happening throughout their community. Some of their favorite stories were about the mayoral election and updates on the new high school. They were also surprised how much the ink can rub off on a physical copy of a newspaper, as many left class with black ink smudged on their hands.



to address each special directive. As of February 2023, the T completed 36 percent of the total action items with the expectation for 100 percent completion by the end of 2025.

The Safety Improvement Plan will be updated annually following an assessment of progress made based on measur-

able objectives within the plan. That assessment will include a variety of factors including a summary of injuries and associated trends, an analysis of financial and human resources needed to continue progress, and recommendations to maintain focus on the plan's objectives.

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Emily Sweeney discusses her book ‘Gangland Boston’ at West End Museum

Story & photos by Marianne Salza

Boston Globe reporter, Emily Sweeney, discussed her book, “Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime,” on March 23, at The HUB50 Community Room, Boston. The Dorchester resident shared fraudulent and violent stories of local mobsters that prevailed in Boston during the West End Museum event.

“The mafia made its debut in the late 19th century Boston,” began Sweeney. “It was difficult being a police officer around the turn of the century. Back then, nobody carried ID’s. Criminals constantly used aliases. Boston Police didn’t start using fingerprints to identify people until 1906.”

Until then, officers relied on mug shots, and measurements such as the length of the left foot, middle finger, or forearm to identify suspects.

“One of the first gangs that rose to prominence in the late 19th century was the Swindling Beggars Gang,” Sweeney noted. “The leader of this gang was Frisco Slim, from California. He would fake being injured and beg for money on the street. He would recruit young kids to wear bloody bandages and limp. Then they’d go back to the West End and split the proceeds. When the police did bust this gang, they found that kids were working for them like child slaves.”

One of the earliest instances that Sweeney could locate in a digitized newspaper was from the Boston Sunday Post in 1895. The article specified the structure of the mafia and estimated that there were about 200 mafia members in the Boston area at the time. Many newspaper articles that Sweeney read from the turn of the century described people in mortal terror.

“My book, ‘Gangland Boston,’ has a lot of information about the Gustin Gang,” mentioned Sweeney. “They were one of the first, prominent Irish mobs. They rose to power during Prohibition.”

The leader of the Gustin Gang was 5-foot-5-inch-tall Stevie Wallace, of South Boston. Wallace, who was a member of the 1920 US Olympic boxing team, hugely impacted Boston’s organized crime; and was protected by powerful government officials and law enforcement.

“In December 1931, these guys go to 317 Hanover Street – a Citizens Bank now – in the North End to have a sit down with leaders of the mafia. They did not leave alive. This was a major turning point in organized crime in the City of Boston,” Sweeney emphasized. “The Italians established their power over the city.”

In addition to smuggling and distributing alcohol during Prohibition, organized gambling was another illegal source



Emily Sweeney discussing her book, “Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime” during a March 23 West End Museum event.

of income for criminal groups.

“People gambled what little they had,” said Sweeney. “Back then, you could place a bet with a bookie who was standing on a street corner, in shoe shine parlors, barber shops, and regular stores.”

The most famous West Ender in the bookmaking business was Doc Sagan-sky, the son of Lithuanian immigrants. Growing up, Sagansky sold newspapers at the Massachusetts State House. He graduated from Tufts Dental School in 1918, and practiced dentistry in Scollay Square.

“Through betting and gambling, he built a fortune,” said Sweeney, a descendant of a West End resident displaced during Urban Renewal. “He be-

came an owner of two Boston nightclubs, and operated a loan agency, which allowed him to finance other enterprises.”

One illegal bookmaking establishment was Swartz’s Key Shop, 364 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, where bets on horse and dog racing could be made. The popular shop was raided by the Internal Revenue Service in 1961.

“In addition to gambling, when people ran out of money, they turned to loan sharks, who were excessively violent against customers,” Sweeney mentioned. “This was before credit cards. You could get a loan on the street.”

Emily Sweeney is a board member of the New



Emily Sweeney, author of “Gangland Boston: A Tour Through the Deadly Streets of Organized Crime.”

England First Amendment Coalition, and the New England Society of News Editors. Her book, “Drop-kick Murphy: A Legendary Life,” a biography about the professional wrestler and doctor during

the Great Depression, will be available through Amazon on May 23, 2023. Visit www.facebook.com/BostonOrganizedCrime to view images, videos, and newspaper articles about Boston’s organized crime.

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is what our project team is here to present you all with today, to provide that information on what the updated timeline looks like for the existing site, what that entails for the MSBA (the state’s school building authority). We owe them a response by their board meeting at the end of this month.”

Hill said the high school project building team was seeking to provide the information so it could get

feedback from the council.

“The only motion that would be in order for the high school would be the bonding ability for the feasibility study at the existing site,” said Zambuto. “All I want is the backup for what’s required now that we are moving forward with the existing site, and that is the direction of the money to fund the study.”

Hill said he did not be-

lieve the issue should go to the ways and means subcommittee at this time, because a request for an appropriation is not currently on the table.

“We are very close, but we still need approval from the Revere School Committee for the existing site in order to actually move forward with funding for the feasibility study,” said Hill. “It would be a bit premature to ask the City Council to appro-

priate \$2.3 million for the feasibility study without having the approval of the School Committee.”

Councillor-at-Large said he didn’t understand why the council was objecting to finding out more information about the status of the project.

“They said it was (about) the existing site,” Silvestri said. “Why would we object to hearing new information to move this process forward? We’ve been delaying and delaying and it just seems like more of a delay to me.”

The council voted 6-4 to

move the issue to the ways and means subcommittee. Silvestri, Ira Novoselsky, Steven Morabito, and Council President Patrick Keefe voted against moving it to subcommittee. Ward 5 Councillor John Powers was absent from Monday night’s meeting.

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THE RHS JROTC PATRIOT BATTALION HOSTS MILITARY BALL AT CASA LUCIA

The Patriot Battalion of RHS hosted its military ball last Friday evening in the Casa Lucia’s main hall. The first in two years since covid wreaked havoc on many such events. A military ball is very structured, not your usual prom environment, but

still, lots of fun for the participants. It starts off with a reception line, of officers, staff, and special guests, greeting each guest. Following the reception line is a formal sequence of events, leading to dinner. Posting of colors, the

National Anthem, and then a series of toasts, starting with the President of the United States, and ending with the Missing Man Ceremony Toast (with water), and concluded with the invocation given by a cadet.



Waiting for the opening ceremonies, Maya Merino, Christopher Guerrero, Anna Sa, Keiry Rivera, Ruby Munguia, Christina Beryer, Emely Salce, Ashley Moreira, Mateo Restrepo, and Aya Belgeisse.



Enjoying the evening, Ambra DeCicco-Chyne, Luke Ellis, Andrew Sobroira, Aolame Nova, Michael Pogada, Santiago Gil and Katelyn Leary.



The Head Table during the posting of the colors.



Missing Man Ceremony, with cadets, Gavin Rua and Ryan Willett.



A toast, to fallen comrades, Prisoners of War, and Missing in Action. Guest speaker Dr. Lena-Maria Rockwood, Maj. Deborah Bowker, and CSM Robert Callender.



The Color Guard front and center, Emely Salce, Roberto Garcia, Yaron Ramirez and Mahira Louis.



Shown to the left, guest speaker, Revere resident Dr. Lena-Marie Rockwood. A graduate of Salem State and Nova Southeastern University.

Shown to the right, enjoying their Military Ball at the Casa Lucia, Kristian Pecollari and Santiago Gil.



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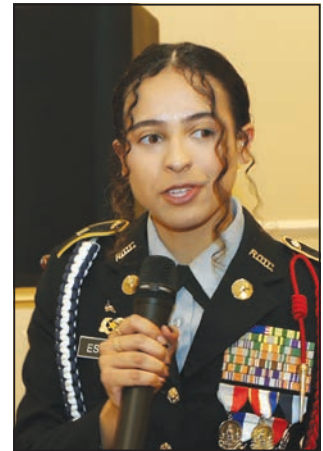
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Executive Officer of the Patriot Battalion, Tiffany Esteves brings the room to attention.



Wendy Carvajal performed the National Anthem.

Sports

RHS PATRIOT BOYS BASKETBALL PARENTS CLUB HOSTS AWARDS NIGHT AT PRINCE HOUSE OF PIZZA

Last Wednesday evening the three teams of the RHS Patriot Boys Basketball program gathered at the Prince House of Pizza in Saugus, to recognize the season's success and to award special recognition

to those that went above and beyond during the regular and play-off season. The boys all received special gifts courtesy of the Parents Club, headed by President Joy Leone.



Head Coach David Leary presented his two GBL All-Stars their plaques and his two top award choices, Captain Alejandro Himcapie the Patriot Defensive Player of the Year, and Captain Domenic Boudreau the RHS patriot MVP Award.



RHS Patriot Head Coach David Leary (right) is shown with the 10-10 Patriot Varsity Basketball Team. The team was the first in 22 years to go back-to-back to the play-offs. Shown with Freshman Coach Bob Sullivan, JV Coach John Leone, score keeper Dennis Leary.



Freshman Coach Bob Sullivan (3rd from left) is shown with his Patriot 15-3 Boys Basketball Team. Also shown Dennis Leary, JV Coach John Leone and RHS Patriot Head Coach David Leary.



JV Coach John Leone (2nd from right) is shown with the Patriot 11-7 JV Boys Basketball Team. Shown with Dennis Leary, Freshman Coach Bob Sullivan, and Head Coach Dave Leary.

RHS SPORTS Roundup

RHS VOLLEYBALL DEFEATS CLASSICAL

The Revere High boys volleyball team earned its first victory of the season with a 3-0 triumph over Greater Boston League (GBL) foe Lynn Classical this past Monday.

Leading the way for coach Lianne Mimmo's Patriots were Christyan Berger, who set 24 assists for his teammates, and Alex Serrano Taborda, who delivered 12 kills.

The win evens Revere's record at 1-1 after a 3-0 loss to non-league opponent Brookline in the season-opener last Friday.

"For six of our guys, it was their first game ever," noted Mimmo.

The Patriots are scheduled to play at GBL foe Lynn English today (Wednesday) and will host GBL opponents Medford on Monday and Chelsea next Wednesday.

GIRLS TENNIS OPENS WITH WIN OVER CLASSICAL

The Revere High girls tennis team opened its 2023 season on a successful note with a 3-2 victory over Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Lynn Classical this past Monday.

Sophomore Dayna Pham, playing at second singles, won a close

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Head Coach David Leary is shown with his 5 seniors, Captains, Vinny Vu, Vincent Nichols, Sal D'Angelis, Alejandro Himcapie, and Domenic Boudreau.

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The Revere High athletes of the month are
BELMA VELIC & DOMENIC BOUDREAU



The Revere High female athlete of the month is sophomore Belma Velic, who was named to the Greater Boston League All-Star basketball team by a vote of the coaches.

The Revere High male athlete of the month is senior basketball captain Domenic Boudreau, who turned in a double-double with 16 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Patriots to a 55-50 victory over Plymouth South in the first round of the MIAA State tournament.

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REVERE *Through the Years*

10 years ago
April 3, 2012
After 10 days in front of a jury in federal court, the city has settled a four-year-old civil lawsuit for \$1.75 million – the highest settlement ever given by the city – in a case where it was alleged a handful of Revere police officers showed callous indifference to a suicidal man – a man who, allegedly due to poor oversight, rendered himself permanently brain damaged while in the custody of Revere Police and Whidden Hospital officials. The man had already settled with a Whidden physician at the outset of the trial for \$2 million. The case was originally filed with a demand for \$9.99 million.

Firefighter John Carroll, Fire Capt. Robert DiSalvo and Sr. Deputy Chief Mike Conley were honored last

Friday morning during their final roll call as Fire Chief Gene Doherty and Mayor Dan Rizzo give them a good-hearted send off before a record crowd of fellow firefighters, retirees, family members, and elected officials who crowded into the Central Fire Station to pay homage to three of the more popular jakes in the department.

Another legendary Broadway family business is heading to the history books. Waugh’s Automotive on the corner of Broadway and Fenko Street will close its doors for the last time on Saturday, April 6th, and Dick and Terry Waugh will enter into retirement. It will be the first time that a Waugh hasn’t reported to work on that corner since the 1930s.

Tyler Perry’s Tempta-

tion and GI Joe: Retaliation are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
April 9, 2003
A proposal by Revere developers Vincent DiCesare and Charles Lightbody for the development of the former Surf site has been scored higher by the City Council than a competing proposal from a Weymouth firm. The duo propose the construction of a fully-commercial building.

American forces in Iraq are moving rapidly through that country’s military defenses, with U.S. tanks rumbling into central Baghdad this week, just a few short weeks after the invasion began.

Officials of the RESCO incineration plant in the Rumney Marsh are trying to seek public support

via a ballot question this November in the town of Saugus for the plant’s expansion. Revere officials have expressed their concern over any expansion of the RESCO plant. Mayor Thomas Ambrosino said he opposes any expansion of the plant because of environmental concerns and because of the increase in truck traffic through Revere.

For the second year in a row, RHS junior Susan Pedicini is headed to the International Science Fair to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, after winning the Region IV Mass. State Science Fair competition recently.

The RHS junior class held its Junior Prom Friday evening at the Danversport Yacht Club.

What a Girl Wants, Old School, and A Man Apart are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

to determine whether the death of a 28 year-old woman in her residence on Intervale Street was the result of a homicide or a drug overdose.

State officials have seized Jilly’s Bar on Broadway in Chelsea, co-owned by Revere couple Paul and Gloria Hurley, under the state’s drug forfeiture laws. Both Hurleys have been charged with selling cocaine to undercover officers. Officials are eyeing the site for a new Chelsea courthouse.

The annual spring carnival has taken up residence in the parking lot at the Showcase Cinemas.

Unforgiven, The Crush, and Indecent Proposal are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago
April 6, 1983
The Revere Retirement Board has voted unanimously to suspend the accidental disability pension of a Revere firefighter who was injured in the line of duty. This marks the third time the board has suspended his retirement pension. The first time occurred in 1979 when the former firefighter pleaded guilty to drug charges, for which he spent time in federal prison in Danbury, Connecticut, after local police officers testified that the disabled firefighter hopped over fences during a chase. However, state authorities have overruled the local board on two occasions. The latest suspension has come after a review by the local board of all retirement pensions.

The City Council has

shelved a plan by Councillor John P. Jordan for the reorganization of the city’s DPW. Jordan himself ended up not voting for his own plan after telling DPW workers that he had never been in favor of removing their job security. A group of 43 of the 50 DPW workers had signed a petition opposing the Jordan plan.

In a zany rendition of musical chairs at the City Council meeting, the council eventually failed to act upon a motion for pay raises brought by Councillor John P. Jordan after Jordan made so many amendments to his original motion that the chair ruled the entire matter was too confusing and therefore out of order, to which Jordan himself did not object.

The City Council has voted 10-0 to give the Revere Recreation Association a five year option to purchase the land at the former Revere High School for \$1.00. The group is in the process of raising funds to build a \$4 million recreational facility similar to a YMCA.

50 years ago
April 5, 1973
The School Committee has come under heavy fire for reducing the budget for Special Needs education. Mrs. Cynthia Tatelman, representing the Task Force of Concerned Parents for Children with Special Needs, said that the committee’s decision to trim the requested amount of \$340,000 to

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The Year was 1992 when the Parks and Recreation Talent Show was held at the Lincoln School. Shown above, the winners in the 11-12 age group performing “The War Dance.” Kneeling, Gina Albanese, Meredith Scalfani, Krissy Boyce and Jamie Sparks. Standing, left to right, Nicole Meoli, Jacklyn Santo, Darliesha Lyons, Sabrina Fiore and Marla Misci.

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three-set match and senior Christy Ly, playing at third singles, defeated her Classical counterpart in straight sets.

At second doubles, the duo of junior Jaimy Gomez and sophomore Ivana Nguyen won a close, three-set match in come-from-behind fashion after losing the first set.

Both of the other matches were highly-contested, with senior Tenzin Chime coming up short in a very close, two-set match at first singles and the tandem of senior Kathy Trinh and junior Lesly Calderon Lopez falling in a hard-fought, three-set match.

Coach Carla Maniscalco and her squad are scheduled to take on GBL foes Lynn English today (Wednesday) and Malden next Monday. They will travel to non-league opponent Boston Latin Academy next Tuesday.

ENCOURAGING START FOR RHS BOYS TENNIS

Although the Revere

High boys tennis team came up on the short end of a 4-1 decision to Greater Boston League (GBL) Lynn Classical this past Monday, veteran RHS head coach Mike Flynn saw some encouraging signs from his squad.

"We have a lot of new players and I was very happy with the effort and result of our first match," said Flynn.

"One of our new players, sophomore Nicolas Aguiar, played an excellent first match of his career at third singles and won 6-1, 6-0," Flynn continued. "Senior captain Alex Waxer played very well and lost to a good player 6-1, 6-1, at first singles. And at second singles, senior captain Moises Alfaro played a strong match and lost to an excellent second singles player from Lynn Classical 6-1, 6-0.

"First doubles was a very competitive match with new players, juniors Raihan Ahmed and Vin-

cent Phan, playing very well and losing 7-5, 6-4. Second doubles was another very competitive match with juniors Nick Barry and Sergio Osorio losing 6-1, 7-6 (8-6)," added Flynn.

The Patriots play at GBL foe Lynn English today (Wednesday) and will host GBL rival Malden at the Gibson Park courts on Monday. They will entertain non-league opponent Boston Latin Academy next Tuesday.

BUSY WEEK AHEAD FOR RHS LACROSSE TEAMS

Both the Revere High boys and girls lacrosse teams have a busy week ahead.

Coach Zach McDannel and his boys' squad, who dropped a 9-2 decision to Somerville last week in their season-opener, were scheduled to take on Lynn yesterday (Tuesday) and will travel to Medford tomorrow (Thursday) and to

Cambridge on Saturday.

They will entertain Malden next Tuesday at 4:00 at Harry Della Russo Stadium and Saugus next Wednesday at 5:45 under the lights at HDR.

The highlights for the Patriots in the Somerville contest were two goals by Walid Harda and 13 saves by goalie Ryan Willet.

Coach Amy Rotger's Lady Patriots, who fell short by a score of 13-3 in their season-opener Monday against Stoneham, travel to Malden today (Wednesday). They will entertain Northeast Regional Friday afternoon and Cambridge this Saturday morning at 10:00 at HDR.

They will trek to Malden on Monday and host Medford next Wednesday.

RHS SOFTBALL ENTERTAINS ENGLISH TODAY; BASEBALL HOSTS MALDEN ON MONDAY

The Revere High softball team, whose scheduled season-opener with Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Lynn Classical this past Monday was postponed, will get its 2023 campaign underway today (Wednesday) when coach Megan O'Donnell and her crew host GBL foe Lynn English at the St. Mary's fields.

They will entertain non-league opponent East Boston tomorrow (Thursday) and trek to GBL rival Malden next Monday and to GBL opponent Chelsea next Wednesday.

Coach Michael Manning and the RHS baseball team, which dropped its season-opener to Lynn Classical by a score of 7-3 on Monday, will trek to

English today (Wednesday) and will host Malden next Monday. They will travel to non-league opponent Cambridge next Tuesday and return home to take on Chelsea next Wednesday.

PORRAZZO REFLECTS ON PAST SEASON, LOOKS AHEAD TO NEXT

With the 2023 season now in the rear-view mirror for his young team, Revere High girls basketball head coach Chris Porrazzo looked back on the recently-completed campaign and looked ahead to 2024.

"As we walked off the court after losing to Hamilton-Wenham 45-28, we couldn't help the strange mix of emotions we were all feeling," said Porrazzo after his team's season finale that left the Lady Patriots with a final record of 6-14 overall and 6-8 in the Greater Boston League.

"Playing a varsity sport is a huge commitment. It takes a lot of sacrifices from coaches and players to be a part of our high school basketball program. We all felt a mix of gratitude and sadness after the game, along with feelings of hope and excitement for the future," Porrazzo continued.

"I want to thank all the members of our varsity team. For our juniors, Haley Belloise, Bella Stamatopoulos and Rocio Gonzalez, the next time they step on a varsity basketball court they will be seniors," said the coach.

"For our sophomores, Belma Velic, Marwa Riad, Nisrin Sekkat, Lea Doucette, Loreda Martinez, and Daniela Murillo, their high school hourglass will

be bottom-heavy the next time they take the court," Porrazzo added.

"And for our lone freshman, Shayna Smith, who has a bright future ahead of her, she will be an old head of the program before she knows it," he noted.

"Thank you to coaches Michael Micciche and Ariana Rivera. It's crazy that next season will be our third together and this program is lucky to have them both. And a thank you to our first year coaches, Nicholas Canelas and Elizabeth Lake. We couldn't have asked for much more out of those two this season and our program is better for it," Porrazzo said.

"It's a crazy concept that we were just together almost every day for three months and then abruptly, it all just ends. When we all get together this November for the 2023-2024 season, we will have had another year of growth and experience from our own lives that we will carry with us to become the fabric of the culture of our team. The last two seasons we were Tough, Smart and Together, we were Solid, Steady and Strong, we did the things that Take No Talent, and next year we plan to not just play basketball, but to love basketball," Porrazzo continued.

"Whatever our identity becomes next season this group has the foundation for success. We all take that as a responsibility and as motivation to make this past season mean more than our record shows. Until then, it's back to the lab this summer for the RHS Lady Patriots," Porrazzo concluded.

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CITY COUNCIL HONORS STATE CHAMPION REVERE SIXTH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM



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The City Council presented a Certificate of Commendation to the players and coaches on the Revere sixth-grade boys basketball team that won the state championship, finishing with a 14-7 record highlighted by the title-clinching victory over Bridgewater in the finals. Pictured with Certificate Sponsor, Council President Patrick Keefe, are, from left: Coach Ryan Benanati, players Kevin Jesuina, Jason Rivera, Christian Rodriguez, Zachary Georges, Daniel Alzati, Justin Nguyen, Bryson Cabral, Nicholas Tigges, Liam Cartagena, and Noah Arega, and Coach Tyler Duggan.

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just \$125,000 will significantly hamper the ability of children with Special Needs to obtain an education in the Revere schools.

More than 500 persons attended a testimonial banquet at Wonderland Ballroom for City Clerk Joseph F. McChrystal in recognition of his 35 years of service to the city. Judge and former State Senator Harold Canavan served as the master of ceremonies.

St. Anthony’s Church was filled to capacity for funeral services for former State Senator, long-time city official, and Revere Beach businessman Harry Della Russo, who passed away suddenly last week at the age of 65. Della Russo and his family operated the Frolic nightclub for many years.

The White Hen Pantry at 127 Broadway held its grand opening this week.

Burt Reynolds stars in Shamus at the Winthrop Cinema.

60 years ago April 4, 1963

Police Chief Colin A.W. Gillis said this week that his officers will begin a crackdown on the gangs of youths who are hanging out on street corners at all hours of the night in violation of the city’s teen curfew and anti-loitering ordinances.

Miss Mary B. Loftus, principal of the Liberty School since 1946, has announced that she will retire at the end of the school year.

Construction of the largest store in the Almy’s department store chain will start next week at the Northgate Shopping Center. The First National Supermarket chain, which already has vacated its

store on Broadway, also is building a new store at the Northgate plaza.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Cahill of 75 Pleasant Street are the winners of \$140,000 in the Irish Sweepstakes when the horse they had drawn, Ayala, a 100-1 longshot, swept to victory in the Grand National Steeplechase in Aintree, England. It is estimated that after state and federal taxes, they will end up with \$45,000. The couple has five children and 17 grandchildren.

A special appeal for blood donors is being made on behalf of young Paul Cotter of 32 Jones Road, a local newsboy, who will undergo delicate open heart surgery next week at the Children’s Medical Center in Boston.

Robert Ryan stars in Billy Budd at the Revere Drive In. Charlton Heston stars in Diamond Head at the Revere Theatre.

70 years ago April 2, 1953

City Manager Edward P. O’Toole said he is confident that the Revere police will meet the challenge issued by new Suffolk County District Atty. Garrett Byrne to keep hoodlums and other undesirables out of the city.

Revere now has 406 subsidized housing units accommodating 1342 residents. Another 109 units are under construction and 50 more have been approved for construction by the State Housing Board.

The Revere High School glee clubs, under the direction of Music Director William O. Goss Jr., will present their annual Evening of Music in the City Hall auditorium April 9. The event will feature

hundreds of voices, including the Girls Choir of 60 girls, the Girls Glee Club (75 members), the Boys Glee Club (60 members), and the Choral Club (75 members). The concert also will feature RHS student-soloists.

Blonde Pat O’Day, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O’Day of 22 Fowler Ave., won the \$1000 cash first prize on the Chance of a Lifetime TV show last week. Miss O’Day, a 1952 RHS grad, was the overwhelming vote of the studio audience for her rendition of When I Fall in love. She also won a week’s engagement in the Latin Quarter in New York City, a test with Columbia Records, and an interview with Columbia film executives. She gave the show’s host, Dennis James, a big hug when she was announced as the winner over contestants from Detroit and New York.

Steady rains inundated cellars and flooded local streets this past week. Rainfall for March totaled 10.67 inches, 7.36 inches above normal.

The First Congregational Church at School and Beach Streets is conducting a campaign to raise funds to repair the church building, which was built in 1850.

The Revere Memorial Hospital will hold its sixth annual banquet at the Frol-ic next week.

Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis star in The Stooge at the Revere Theatre. Deborah Kerr and Alan Ladd star in Thunder in the East at the Revere Drive In.

80 years ago April 8, 1943

Residents are mourning the passing of Peter F. Conley, the city’s Sealer of Weights and Measures since 1914 and well-known in civic circles in the city. He died after

being stricken with pneumonia four weeks ago and had suffered a cerebral hemorrhage just prior to becoming ill. He recently had been named by Mayor Ray Carey as chairman of the Revere Victory Garden Committee.

Hope still is being held out for the safety of Sgt. Joseph E. Messina of 34 Pitcairn Street, who has been missing since the medium-sized Army bomber on which he was a member of the crew went missing somewhere in the vicinity of Georgia and the Carolinas.

Authorities in Washington have announced that hot dogs, America’s favorite summer tidbit, accompanied by mustard and picalilli, will be allowed to be served this summer season at Revere Beach. It had been feared that the new and more strenuous meat rationing program would curtail the production of hot dogs.

James Cagney stars in Yankee Doodle Dandy at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

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OBITUARIES

John Zaino, Jr.

Of Ohio, formerly of Revere

John F. Zaino, Jr., 90, passed away on Tuesday, March 28 in Xenia, Ohio after a long battle with dementia.

 John was born on July 2, 1932 in Revere but was a long-time resident of Xenia,

Ohio. He was the oldest child of the late John F. Zaino, Sr. and Rose (Yantosca) Zaino.

John graduated from Revere High School in 1950 and was Captain of the 1950 Revere High School Ice-Hockey Team. He served in Korea during the Korean War and was Honorably Discharged as a Staff Sergeant from the U.S. Air Force following his last assignment at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton.

John met his future wife, Paula Anne Haney while both were working at Wright-Patt, and they were married on August 25, 1956 at St. Brigid Church in Xenia.

John attended Suffolk University in Boston and graduated from the University of Dayton in 1964 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English.

John had a natural talent as a writer, marketer, and communicator. Following his Air Force service, John’s first job in Xenia as a sports writer for the Xenia Daily Gazette. He moved on to NCR in Dayton as an International Copywriter for the international marketing department of the well-known cash register company. Following his three years at NCR, John became a copywriter for Chrysler Corporations’ Airtemp Division in Dayton.

John’s career at Chrysler spanned 17 years as an Advertising and Sales Promotion executive. In his various roles at Chrysler, he used his creativity to produce print and TV advertising. John traveled to many interesting places around the world for business. When Chrysler sold Airtemp, instead of moving away from Xenia, John resigned and started his own advertising agency, the JFZ Group. He later served as Vice President of Sales and Marketing for PMCI, a direct marketing organization based in Dayton. Before retiring in 2006, he served as a marketing representative for Healthsouth, a nationwide rehabilitation organization.

John was a member of the Dayton Advertising Club and the Dayton Direct Marketing Club. He served as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Xenia; was associated with the Ohio Easter Seals organization for many years; and was a 4th Degree Sir Knight and a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 1801. John served as President of The Men of the Sacred Heart of Jesus’ Cincinnati Chapter and also served as Vice President of this nationwide organization which conducts home, business and church enthronements to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

John is survived by Paula Anne (Haney), his



loving wife of 66 years, and their four sons: Michael Joseph (wife, Cathy and sons. Joseph and Michael) of Dublin, Ohio; Dr. Robert Paul (wife, Elizabeth and daughters Abigail and Sarah) of Gahanna, Ohio; Thomas Mark (wife, Mary (Mickie), son Thomas (Tommy) and daughter Valerie of Blacklick, Ohio; and Dr. John Paul (daughters, Veda and Ivy) of Xenia.

John is also survived by his two brothers, Richard F. Zaino, Sr. and family and Robert F. Zaino, Sr. and family and his sister Mary Ann Dawson and family. He is also survived by his sisters in law, Sofia Haney and family and Maureen Haney and family; his brothers in law, Michael (Janie) Haney and family, Timothy (Jone) Haney and family and Zosimo (Josie) Garcia and family, as well as many other loving relatives and life-long family friends.

John was preceded in death by his parents, John and Rose Zaino of Revere, brothers in law, William K. Haney of Xenia and F. Richard Haney of Columbus, sister in law Julene (Julie) Zaino of Melrose, MA, nephew, Thomas M. Haney of Columbus and nephew in law, Thomas F. Costello of Medford, MA.

The family would like to extend sincere thanks to all the wonderful caregivers who took care of John during his illness while at home including Tina Knisely, Melissa

Melendez, Angela Koverman, Kristina Rishforth, Elizabeth Campbell, Christine Koverman, Victoria Stevens and Kim Goecke. The family also extends a special thanks to Crossroads Hospice of Dayton and to Xenia Health and Rehab, including Maryanne Lavigne. The family would like to recognize John’s son, John Paul (“Jack”), a physician, for the special care he gave John.

Calling hours were held on Friday, March 31, at Neeld Funeral Home, 1276 N. Detroit Street, Xenia. A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted by Father Stash Dailley at St. Brigid Catholic Church on Saturday, April 1 and burial followed at St. Brigid Cemetery in Xenia.

Contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be sent directly to: St. Brigid Catholic Church Memorial Fund, 258 Purcell Drive, Xenia, Ohio 45385; Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN), 5817 Old Leeds Road, Irondale, Alabama 35210; or Xenia Adult Recreation and Services Center, 3381 S. Progress Drive, Xenia, Ohio 45384.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

FORMER COUNCILLOR APPOINTED CLERK

CHELSEA - Former City Councillor Clifford Cunningham will be back in the council chambers next month, but in a new role.

The council voted 9-0 to appoint Cunningham as the new clerk to the city council. He will replace long-time council clerk Paul Casino.

Last year, Casino announced his intention to retire at the end of 2022, but has stayed in his position on a temporary basis while the council has sought his replacement.

“As folks know, our beloved city council clerk is leaving, and we were really in crunch time to fill his position, and we were fortunate enough to be able to find someone in a former city councillor, Clifford Cunningham,” said Councilor-at-Large Damali Vidot, who chaired the subcommittee in charge of the search process. “We really had a beautiful interview and a really robust dialogue. We’re looking forward to him serving with us; he has big shoes to fill, but I have no doubt that he’ll be able to fulfill all the duties of that role.”

The starting salary for the position is \$54,819.06, and Cunningham is slated to begin his new position on April 3. There will be a 12-month probationary period as part of the job, and Cunningham will have six months to apply for and complete an online parliamentary course with an average of at least 70.

Vidot said the online course was added to the requirements of the position because there were not many people who applied for the job who were registered parliamentarians.

In other business, the council officially voted on the recommendation of members to serve on a screening committee to help select a new city manager. That committee will go through applications, conduct interviews, and select a handful of candidates for the council to interview to find a replacement for former City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

The full members are Fidel Maltez, Joan Cromwell, Michelle Nadow, and Juan Vega. The alternate members selected by the committee are Jen Hassell and Jonathan Gomez-Pereira.

Eugene O’Flaherty was previously appointed by Council President Leo Robinson to chair the screening committee.

“A lot of residents put their names in, and we had some heated debates, but we think we have a great combination of folks from the community involved to help us get through this very difficult and very serious business,” said District 8 Councilor Calvin Brown.

Vidot noted that councilors have been meeting with the Collins Center, which is facilitating the search process, to find out the priorities each councilor has for a new city manager.

“They will then take that information and create a profile to help the

steering committee and guide them in the search for a new city manager,” said Vidot.

NEW DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES NAMED

EVERETT - The City Council unanimously confirmed the appointment of Terri Ronco to a three-year term as the City of Everett’s new director of human resources.

Ronco has begun work in her key position, succeeding Justin Shrader.

Ronco was seated in the Council Chambers next to Mayor DeMaria’s Chief of Staff, Erin Deveney, during the Council meeting.

Ronco previously worked at the Greater Boston Food Bank as senior human resources manager.

Ronco grew up in Maine and has lived in Everett for five years. She is a graduate of Allegheny College (Pennsylvania), where she majored in English Literature.

Ronco worked in retail management for several years. “That’s how I decided that I wanted to work in HR because I managed people. So, I’m not a traditional HR person, I didn’t go to school for HR, but then I got my Master’s in human resources management and most recently I got a Master’s in employment law (from Northeastern University),” related Ronco.

Ronco said she is looking forward to working with Mayor Carlo DeMaria’s Administration in her new job.

“I really hope that I can help make a difference and really cultivate a great culture here for employees,” said Ronco. “I’m a resource and I love helping people, so I’m really looking forward to it.”

RESIDENTS AGAINST ZONING CHANGES

EAST BOSTON - At least a couple hundred Orient Heights residents gathered together on Wednesday, March 22, in the Madonna Shrine Function Room to voice their displeasure with zoning changes proposed by the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

As described by Kathleen Onufer, the BPDA’s Assistant Deputy Director for Downtown & Neighborhood Planning, the zoning proposal “tries to focus on the form of a building to make sure we’re thinking about what is the appropriate scale building to go into neighborhoods.”

The proposed zoning would have parameters for certain aspects of a building, such as setbacks, height, width, and more.

As part of this proposal, Orient Heights would be split into two zoning areas. In the first area, which makes up most of Orient Heights and Baysview, buildings would be limited to two-and-a-half stories and allow only two units plus an additional dwelling unit (ADU).

As for the other area closer to MBTA stations, buildings of up to three

stories would be allowed with three units and an ADU. However, lots over 50 feet wide would allow for a maximum of six units and an ADU.

It should be noted that Jason Ruggiero, a Community Engagement Manager with the BPDA, indicated that developments could only include an ADU if owner-occupied.

Additionally, as part of the zoning proposal, the off-street parking requirement would be waived for buildings with three units or fewer.

Along with several elected officials and a significant amount of Orient Heights residents, the BPDA’s Chief of Planning, Arthur Jemison, was also in attendance.

“This is not an effort to dramatically up-zone your neighborhood,” said Jemison – which got a loud collective groan from the couple hundred Orient Heights residents.

It was clear from the beginning of the meeting that residents did not want anything to do with this plan. Several signs around the room criticized the BPDA and Mayor Michelle Wu for a plan that residents felt would destroy single-family housing in the area.

While Mayor Wu was not in attendance – which elicited more groans from the crowd – several other elected officials were and showed their support for Orient Heights.

Senator Lydia Edwards was one of those elected officials in attendance and stood behind residents.

“When we hear about the up-zone or changing of zoning as a form of predictability, a lot of people just don’t believe it is going to be real,” said Edwards, referencing the abundance of variances given to developments even with today’s zoning guidelines.

“What needs to be part of any plan for us to trust this process is to see you stop giving out variances and enforcing the zoning that we have right now,” she added, which garnered a round of applause.

At-large, City Councilor Erin Murphy also threw her support to residents saying, “It’s my job as your at-large City Councilor to be your voice. I will say, and I don’t mean this in an adversarial way at all, but – I don’t work for the Mayor – I work for those who voted me in,” which got another round of applause.

After several elected officials spoke, it was finally time for residents to take one of the microphones around the function room and state their positions. Several did so – loud and clear.

One resident was concerned with the ADU aspect, explaining that even if ADUs were limited to owner-occupants, what is to stop owners from knocking down a one-family home, building a two-family building, living at a property, then building out the ADU before leaving.

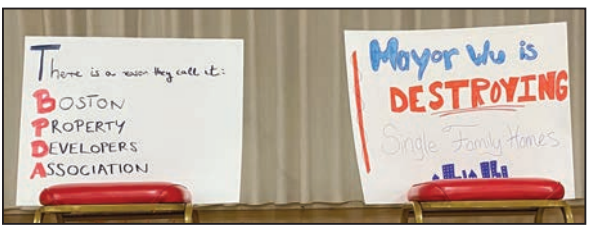
In response, Jemison said that his “reasonable person” answer was, “Developers don’t typically do that – developers don’t typically move into a neighborhood and then

ORIENT HEIGHTS STANDS AGAINST ZONING CHANGES



Joanne Pomodoro (above) makes her views about the zoning plan known.

Signs (right) created and put on display during the meeting.



live there for years and then add an ADU.”

Jemison’s answer elicited a loud, sarcastic laugh from residents. However, Jemison went on to say that rules could be written into the zoning to prevent that from happening.

Another concern brought forth by another resident, John Casamassima, was regarding the actual allowable size of buildings under this proposal.

“The part that is not clear about what’s been presented is how large these buildings are going to be. We’re talking about saving backyards, but for example, every house on this side of the street can have a foundation of 3,000 square feet – it’s 40% of the lot size,” said Casamassima.

“You can have a first floor of 3,000 square feet, you can have a second floor of 3,000 square feet, and I don’t know if there’s a cap ... I don’t want to live next to a 10,000 square foot Wellesley mansion whether it’s one unit or three.”

Essentially the answer Onufer gave was that a cap would depend on different given lots across the neighborhood, dependent on things like a maximum floorplate, setbacks, and lot coverage guidelines.

As the meeting went on, resident after resident voiced their displeasure with the plan. One resident called the plan a “war on family,” while others shouted for the BPDA to “go away.”

Through all the comments and views stated, Joe Arangio, another resident, probably summed up the feelings of those in the crowd best by describing what they wanted from the plan.

“We want to maintain the fabric of this community. We want two or less units, and we want them in buildings that have front and side and rear setbacks that are consistent with the rest of the community – that’s the bottom line – with parking,” said Arangio.

Overall, it is clear that residents of Orient Heights are not going to lie down and accept what has been proposed for their neighborhood and are willing to fight for the fabric of their neighborhood.

Moreover, it is even more apparent after the turnout last Wednesday,

and as Ruggiero alluded to at the beginning of the meeting – the conversation is not over just yet.

COUNCIL GOES OVER BUDGET

WINTHROP - Town officials held their annual spring forum last week, with Town Manager Tony Marino and new Finance Director Dylan Cook running through the capital plan and budgeting process for Fiscal Year 2024.

“One of the things we worked on and that the council really pushed me to do was to put together a five-year capital plan,” said Marino. “We’ve had one in the past, but we wanted to do an all-encompassing capital plan.”

Marino said the five-year plan breaks down the capital needs for the coming years, as well as the potential funding sources for the projects.

In addition, Marino said the town is working with a new vendor that is doing a facilities needs assessment of the school and town buildings that should be completed by the summer.

“Once we get that, we will be incorporating the list of work they are suggesting,” said Marino. While the facilities needs assessment will look at potential projects 25 years out, Marino said they will also be making recommendations for projects that should be undertaken in the next five years.

“Along with that, we are looking at the infrastructure for the utilities department with the water,” said Marino. “We are looking at all the water mains, grading them, making sure we know which water mains need to be done, and then we will formulate a capital plan for that.”

Marino discussed how the town administration is looking to increase the amount of free cash it certifies each year in order to pay for more capital projects.

“We certify \$1.2 million to \$1.6 million in free cash a year,” he said. “My goal long term is to get that number up to around \$3 million a year to fund the capital plan.”

Some of the capital items planned for funding in FY24 include some new crosswalks on Pleasant Street and on Revere Street.

“Many residents have

asked for additional striping for crosswalks on Revere Street,” said Marino. “Then we have some ADA compliant crosswalks that are going to go in at Winthrop, Pleasant, and Washington streets.”

The capital plan also looks ahead to larger capital projects that may be coming down the line, Marino said.

“One, as we all know, that we are working on ... is the new fire station,” said Marino. “That could cost upwards of approximately \$30 million to \$40 million.”

In addition, Marino noted that Winthrop is a Green Community, which allows the town access to grants through the program.

“We haven’t applied for one since 2017, but we put all the required data that we have to do for our energy usage and we are on track to put an application in this spring,” said Marino. “We are going to put in for a \$500,000 grant to do some improvements at the schools for rooftop units, as well as at the DPW and the police station.”

Marino said the overall goal of the capital plan is to show the public the capital needs of the town.

“The goal of this is to show that even though we are not going to do all the work, this is what the capital needs of the town are, so we would be transparent and let everybody know,” said Marino. “We may not have the money to do it, but we are identifying things that have to get done, and prioritizing and making a plan to get there.”

Marino also discussed the operating budget process for FY24, noting that there will be a draft version of the budget to the finance committee by April 13, with the final version of the budget submitted to the Town Council on May 2.

This year, the budget will have all school expenses reflected in the school side of the budget. In past years, costs such as retirement and health insurance costs for school employees have been included in the town side of the budget.

“What this budget does is it puts those expenses back on the school side so you get an accurate picture of exactly what the school system is costing,” said Marino.



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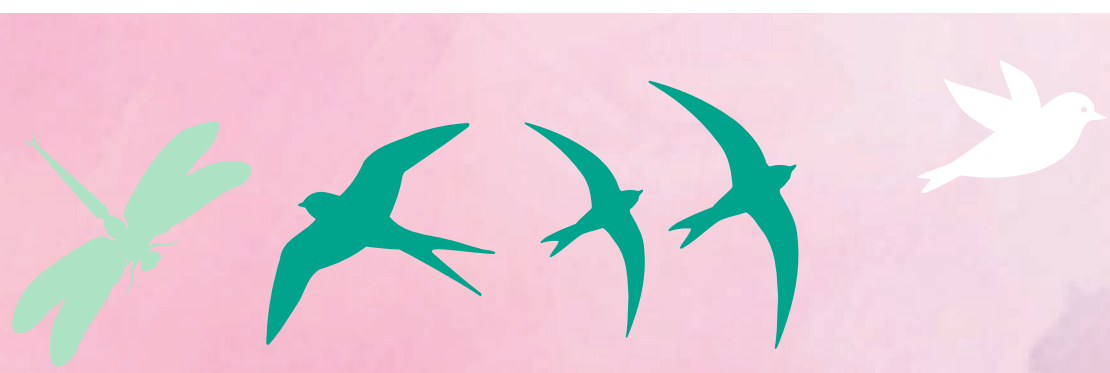
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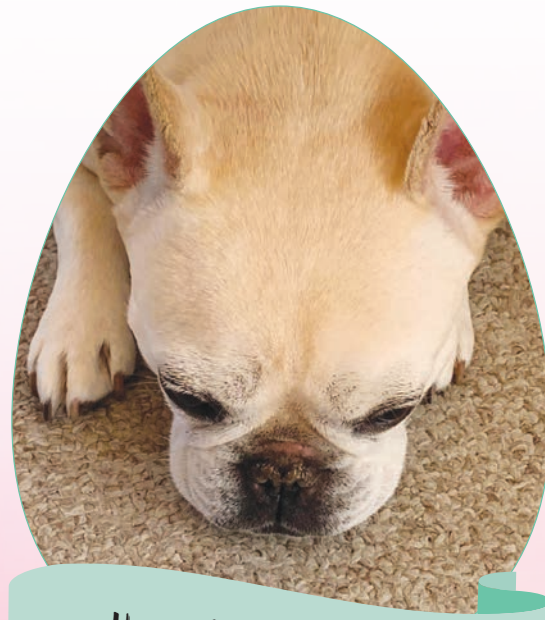
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NSCC Dean touts benefits of Early College program

By Adam Swift

Revere High School's inclusion in the state's expanded Early College Program will be a boon for the city's students, as well as for North Shore Community College, according to Walter Stone, the new dean of the program at the college.

Last month, the state legislature approved adding nine new school districts, including Revere, to the state-wide program. With these additional programs, nearly 7,800 Massachusetts students are projected to be enrolled in Early College programs at

local state universities and colleges by the upcoming school year.

Three Lynn high schools, Danvers High, and Essex Tech already participate in the program at North Shore Community College, according to Stone.

"We've grown in the last two years by 300 percent, we have three times the number of students that we had at the beginning, so it's been a lot of growth to offer the early college programs," said Stone.

The program is a tool that supports increased college enrollment among

the high school participants from groups that have been historically underrepresented in higher education, and helps them succeed once they are on campus, he added.

"Early College has also been shown to boost college completion rates for low-income, minority, and first generation college students," said Stone. "Early College students enroll in college at significantly higher rates than their high school peers," said Stone.

In 2019, approximately 76 percent of the Early College students enrolled in college after high school

graduation, compared to 56 percent of their peers who did not participate in Early College, Stone said.

There are also a number of benefits for the college itself.

"We experience boosts in our enrollment and also in graduation outcomes of our students," said Stone.

Early College also helps prepare students for the college workload.

"Students will always experience new experiences as they transition from being high school students into college, but having those credits that they have earned is a real good stepping stone for

them," said Stone. "It removes a lot of barriers that as a college we are trying to remove, and it helps us to figure out how to deliver programs to remove those barriers."

Stone, who has been at North Shore Community College for nearly two decades as a math professor and then as an assistant dean, said he is looking forward to leading the Early College program on campus.

The Massachusetts Early College program gives students the opportunity to take college courses and earn credits at no cost before they graduate high

school. Early College allows students to get a head start on their higher education and contributes to significantly higher college enrollment and completion rates, particularly for low-income, minority and first-generation college students.

Education Secretary and former Lynn Superintendent of Schools Patrick Tutwiler said the early career paths like those provided by Early College and Innovation Pathways programs are how the state can start to reimagine and transform high schools by empowering students with opportunities for success.

Hill School Celebrates 20 Years of Drama Club

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Theater productions are alive and well in Revere Public Schools. After a three year hiatus, due to the Covid 10 pandemic, many of the city's schools drama programs are back in production. Susan B. Anthony Middle School, designated the middle school of performing arts, kicked off the productions with two performances of Decades earlier

this month. Revere High School will perform its first musical in 30 years. In the Heights will premiere April 12th and 13th. The Garfield Middle School and Rumney Marsh Academy will perform Clue and Alice in Wonderland in late spring. The only elementary school to join the performance schedule is the Hill School. On Thursday and Friday, they will perform Roald Dahl's Matilda Jr.

What many do not remember is that the Hill School (formerly the McKinley School) has had a Drama Club for over 20 years. The first production, American Experience, was produced under the direction of PTA moms, Janet Cimmino and Kim Oliva along with former 5th grade teacher, Dan Hanlon. "In 2002 a 5th grade teacher, Dan Hanlon, knew I had a theater background and asked if I would like to help with a play and did I have any ideas? Kim Oliva, another PTA officer, loves theater and was so excited to bring it to our school and that is how Drama Club started! Unfortunately Dan left to teach in New Hampshire but Kim and I kept it going with different people jumping into help through the years."

Cimmino, one of the Library Paraprofessionals at the Hill School for the past 16 years, joined forces with Music Teacher Chris DiBenedetto in 2014. "He turned our "shows" into productions. He has tak-

en Drama Club to a whole new level. Corinne Ciano and Doug Fitzgerald are the Prop and Set Designers that create our amazing sets!"

Cimmino added, "The best part of Drama Club for me is watching students that have never done anything like it while discovering their voices. One of our students performing this year used to sit and watch all the rehearsals for Junie B. Jones when she was in Kindergarten. She learned lines and the choreography and couldn't wait to finally be able to be part of a play. I love watching the cast becoming a family. There is nothing else like it and hopefully Drama Club will live on forever!"

Chris DiBenedetto, the Hill School's K-5 Music teacher, had worked at the former McKinley School for 2 years and the new Hill School for the past 8 years. His involvement with the Drama Club stemmed from his background in music and directing. "I have a background in music directing community theater productions on the South Shore. I heard that the McKinley School had a long standing Drama Club. I wanted to feel part of the school community and share my time and skill so I joined up and haven't looked back."

DiBenedetto has many fond memories of the productions he has helped bring to life. "I have a special place in my heart for our production of Seussical in 2017. It was the first time in many years that the Drama Club would include both 4th and 5th graders because we now had the space to accommodate a larger group in the new Hill School. It meant our production value could go up as well with the sets, costumes and sound being better than we ever had available to us. That being said, our current production of Matilda is going to be something I think we'll all remember for a long time. These kids are so talented and have been working so hard. I can't wait for folks to see what they've been up to."

"I am so humbled by the community support for our drama productions. Last spring we held two performances of Aladdin. It was the first opportunity we had to invite families back into the schools. We sold out both shows, and we are very close to selling out both of our shows of Matilda, something our group has never done two years in a row. We are lucky to have such involved families who support the arts and our stu-



Hill School students performing Seussical.



Hill School students performing Beauty and the Beast.

A vent at the former McKinley School with a list of all of the school's performances.



Corinne Ciano with former Hill School students who are helping out with production.

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Here's how to begin the process, and what to include while completing this import-ant document.

GETTING STARTED

You'll have to choose an executor for the estate, some-one who will follow your finish wishes. You'll also need to choose beneficiaries. Next comes the hard choices of who will get what. Try to be as specific as you can be, with complete explanations of your decision-making process, in order to potentially avoid family strife after you're gone. Remember that there can be disputes and regulatory issues if these beneficiaries are not also attached to your various accounts. Attach a letter to the will with additional information, if you'd like to go into more detail. Finally, contact a respected attorney you trust to make the document official. This isn't always required, but doing so

will ensure that your will is proper and legal.

GETTING HELP

Many seniors avoid com-pleting a will simply because they don't have the resources to hire a lawyer. Thankfully, there are free programs like Serving Our Seniors, which helps with wills and pow-er-of-attorney decisions in many states. Certain cities have local programs, too. The Denver-based Wills on Wheels drafts free legal documents with assistance from lawyers and paralegals. AARP sponsors Legal Counsel for the Elderly, a Washington, D.C., program connecting volunteer attorneys with seniors who need wills, social services or other legal advice. Popular online options, according to U.S. News and World Report, include LegalZoom, Do Your Own Will, U.S. Legal Wills, Total Legal and Gentreo, among others.

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