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PLASTIC FREE
MASS URGES
LEGISLATORS TO
FIX RECYCLING
SYSTEM

Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), Just Zero, Be the Solution to Pollution, and other members of Plastic Free Mass are calling on legislators to update the state's beverage container deposit return system (aka Bottle Bill), which remains unchanged from when it was passed in 1982. Under the Bottle Bill, consumers make a deposit of 5 cents on some beverages, which they can redeem when they return the empty containers for recycling. If the program were updated to include all beverage containers and the deposit were increased to 10 cents, litter would be reduced in Massachusetts by as much as 85%.

"Massachusetts beaches and waterways are choking with trash," said CLF attorney Mara Shulman. "Across the state, volunteers are spending countless hours picking up litter. This is unsustainable. Updating the Bottle Bill will not only slash litter, but it will also reduce the state's greenhouse gas emissions. It's time for legislators to meet this moment and stop relying on volunteers to clean up litter when a legislative solution is at our fingertips."

"The data is clear," said Kirstie Pecci, Executive Director of Just Zero. "Modernizing Massachusetts practice has been previously operated on Beach Street from 1990 to 2008 and then at One Sprague Street from 2008 to October of 2016, when she relocated her office to Seaport Landing in Lynn, Massachusetts. Currently, she shares her Lynn office with two other former Revere attorneys, Attorney Michael P. Kerrins and Attorney Stephen F. Murray."

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PARKS AND REC HOSTS THE WINTER BALL



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Jasmine and JJ Clinton, 7, Angela Parker, Jaivon, 5, and Sanaiya Greene, 7, shown above during Revere Parks and Recreation's Winter Ball at the Springhill Suites on Revere Beach. Shown below, Julia Dupere, Lyla Toussaint, 3, Paul Fabiano, and Sophia Toussaint, 2, playing with balloons. See more photos on Page 5.



Revere honors the late Joe DeSantis

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Friday night hockey players young and old came together at the Cro-

nin Rink to honor the late Joe DeSantis. Joe, a fixture with the local hockey and skating programs for more than 25 years and

the former President of the East Coast Junior Patriots (ECJP) Hockey League (formerly Everett Revere Youth Hockey League), passed away last year after a brave battle with cancer.

Hugs, high fives and smiles filled the rink all night among hockey players and their families as the city came to honor DeSantis at the Joe DeSantis Youth Hockey Memorial Alumni Games. Two memorial games were played followed by a presentation of a plaque in his honor. The plaque was unveiled and now sits on the wall inside the rink.

Mayor Patrick Keefe unveiled the plaque in his



Organizers of the event, Jamie Branzell (left) and Gerry Visconti (right) with Jackie DeSantis, son of the late Joe DeSantis.

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City council approves use of CIT funds for two projects in Wards 1 and 5

By Adam Swift

The city council unanimously approved two Community Improvement Trust Fund appropriations

at Monday night's meeting.

The council approved using \$25,000 for air quality monitors in Ward 5 that will be monitored through a Northeastern University

program. The council also approved \$30,000 in CIT money towards renovations to Leach Park in Ward 1.

The CIT balance as of

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Wonderland site back on table as potential new high school site

By Adam Swift

It's a new year and a new city council, but for nearly three hours on Monday night, a familiar topic dominated the debate.

Early in 2020, the city began the process of bringing a high school building project before the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA).

On Monday night, new Mayor Patrick Keefe said it is time for the rubber to meet the road when it comes to moving forward with the project.

Much of the debate centered on the location of a new high school, as Keefe and the project team laid out the options for a new four-story high school at the site of a current school or building a new four-story high school on the Wonderland site.

Brian Dakin of owner's project manager Leftfield said the council, the school committee, and the school building committee will have to decide upon a building option by the end of January in order to be in line for MSBA funding for

the project.

Both proposed building alternatives could see the new high school open for students in the fall of 2028 if all goes according to schedule, according to Dakin. However, the project at the current high school site would require an additional year to rebuild fields at Erricola Park due to the new building being built on the current site of the fields.

Dakin said the current high school site alternative has a price tag of about \$550 million, which includes a \$40 million contingency for the replacement of a culvert on the site.

The estimated cost of building on the Wonderland site would be \$522 million, which includes \$29.5 million the city has already spent to take the 30-plus acre site by eminent domain. The owners of the property have filed suit against the city claiming that the property is worth more than they were paid in the eminent domain taking.

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Debbie Alexander.

Deborah L. Gold-Alexander named one of Top Women of Law for 2023

Special to the Journal

Attorney Deborah L. Gold-Alexander has been selected for 2023 as one of the Top Women of the Law by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly.

For more than 30 years, Attorney Deborah L. Gold-Alexander has successfully operated one of a few successful, solely woman-owned general law practices in the Revere-Lynn area. Having grown up in the City of Revere, attended Revere High School and lived in the City of Revere until 1988, she has long held roots in the Revere community. Her solo law

practice has been previously operated on Beach Street from 1990 to 2008 and then at One Sprague Street from 2008 to October of 2016, when she relocated her office to Seaport Landing in Lynn, Massachusetts. Currently, she shares her Lynn office with two other former Revere attorneys, Attorney Michael P. Kerrins and Attorney Stephen F. Murray.

She has and continues to handle matters ranging from real estate, Land Court and other title clearing matters, probate matters, personal injury cases and defense of civil matters,

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TRASH DELAY

Due to the Martin Luther King Holiday on Monday Jan. 15, 2024, trash will be delayed by one day

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DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. NEVER GAVE UP

For those of a certain age, it is hard to imagine that 2024 will mark 56 years since the assassination of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Memphis while he was standing on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel on April 4, 1968. Recalling how we felt when he first heard the news of Dr. King’s murder still brings chills and a deep sense of sadness that never has subsided.

For those who are too young to have been alive in that era of American history, there are a few things that everyone should know about Dr. King that should provide inspiration to all of us.

First, Dr. King was fearless. He knew from the inception of his rise to prominence of the Civil Rights movement that he would become a target for those who opposed change. Yet, even though he often told others that he believed his death would be imminent, he did not relent in his fight to continue his work in the civil rights movement.

Second, Dr. King stood for the rights of all Americans, not merely those of color. He was in Memphis working with striking sanitation workers, whose pay and working conditions he was seeking to help improve. He was an outspoken critic of the Vietnam War because he knew it to be an unjust war, not only for poor Americans who could not get a college deferment for the draft, but also for the people of Vietnam, whose homeland was being bombed into oblivion at great profit for the American military-industrial complex.

If Dr. King were alive in the present era, there is no doubt that he would have been in the forefront of the Black Lives Matter movement that has highlighted the ongoing racism and economic inequality that oppresses Americans of all races today.

Dr. King’s words ring as true today as they did two generations ago; his “I Have A Dream” and “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” speeches are among the most powerful not only in American history, but in all of Western civilization.

All of us should learn from the example set by Dr. King that in each of us is the power to change the world -- that each of us has the capacity to inspire others, whether through our words or deeds, whether on a small or large scale, to make the world a better place.

Many of our fellow citizens have followed the path set by Dr. King and many more will do so in the years ahead. So as we celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day this Monday, let us recall not only his memory and the many things that he accomplished, but let us also resolve never to give in to the forces of intolerance, prejudice, and hate that continue to plague our country and the world today.

REPLACE BELICHICK? GOOD LUCK WITH THAT!

As we are writing this at the beginning of the week, there is rampant speculation that the Patriots are going to fire Bill Belichick, who undeniably is the greatest football coach of all time.

Yes, he had a great quarterback in Tom Brady, but Belichick’s genius was in taking players such as Brady (who, after all, was the 200th pick in the draft) and turning them into pros who could fill a niche (Teddy Bruschi, Julian Edelman, and Kevin Faulk being prime examples) on his teams. Belichick’s Patriots were a classic case of the sum of the whole being greater than the sum of the parts in much the same way that Red Auerbach, another coaching genius, did for the Celtics.

Belichick’s attention to detail was unparalleled, which explains why he routinely could allow great players to leave -- think Lawyer Milloy, Ty Law, Richard Seymour, Vince Wilfork, etc. -- and still be able to turn unheralded replacements into top-notch players.

To be sure, Bill Belichick wasn’t perfect -- we still have never heard a logical explanation for why he did not play Malcolm Butler in that Super Bowl with Philly -- but when you look around at all of the so-called “new wave” of football coaches, there is a lot of mediocrity, and even the best are not in his league. (The only current coach who comes close to Belichick is an old school guy, Andy Reid of Kansas City.)

The Patriots need to rebuild and if there’s anyone who knows how to do that, it is Bill Belichick (although even he will have a hard time unless the Pats can draft a quarterback who can compete with Ryan Allen, Mahomes, Tua, Joe Burrow, Lamar Jackson, Justin Herbert, and C.J. Stroud).

Our prediction is this: If Belichick goes, whoever is his replacement will last about three years -- and the Pats and their fans will realize that there was only one Bill Belichick, the G.O.A.T.



Gathering to start 2024 off on the right foot ICHS Alumni, seated: Denise Lake, David McKay, Donna Sweeney, Patty Reilly Strong, and Holly Leyden. Standing: Joe Lake, Bobby Capoccia, Marge Monigle, Bill Monigle, George Russell and Peter Leyden.

Welcome, all Immaculate Conception Alumni to join fellow classmates at the Marina at the Wharf Restaurant

Alumni of the Immaculate Conception High School of the 70’s are meeting their past First Friday obligations by meeting and breaking bread on the first Friday of the month at the Marina at the Wharf Restaurant.

All alumni are invited to join in, recall memories of the past and share what’s new in your life with friends. Stop by for a drink, a meal or just to say help to old friends and make new ones as well. Arrival time any time after 3pm, usually around 5pm dinner is ordered for those present.

If you have any questions, check out the Facebook Page ICHS Revere Ma Alumni or phone Denise Lake at 978-836-9210.

REVERE Through the Years

**10 years ago
January 7, 2014**

The news of former State Rep. Kathi-Anne Reinstein’s abrupt resignation last week has resulted in several persons indicating their interest in the seat, including Reinstein’s Chief of Staff, Roselee Vincent; former city councillor and State House staff veteran Linda Rosa; and present city councillors Steven Reardon and John Powers.

Over the Christmas and New Year’s holiday, Lisa Cutting of Ocean View Kennels said seven abandoned Pit Bulls were brought in -- including one female Pit Bull found on New Year’s Day running through Beachmont Train Station with a motorcycle chain wrapped around its neck and a muzzle over its snout. The dog was so thirsty that it drank five bowls of water when the muzzle was removed. The stories of cruelty to dogs locally has been an ongoing tale over the last three years, getting particularly bad in the wake of the economic downturn and accompanying housing crisis, with many people fleeing their homes and leaving their pets behind.

**20 years ago
January 14, 2004**

Revere firefighters fought a four-alarm fire in frigid, zero-degree temperatures early Sunday morning at the Speakeasy Pub on lower Broadway. The blaze started in a barrel in an alley in the back of the pub and engulfed a home next to the pub. Only hours earlier, the Speakeasy had been filled with Patriots fans who watched the Pats defeat the Titans in a play-off game. A benefit for the Tocco family, who lost their home which was next door to the Speakeasy, is set for the Moose Lodge this Friday.

Construction is pro-

ceeding apace for the massive new apartment complex which is going up at Rowe’s Quarry and is set to be completed in 2005.

Beachmont residents are being told to be on the lookout for two men who allegedly fondled a 14 year-old girl and then tried to kidnap her right from the street on Winthrop Ave.

**40 years ago
January 11, 1984**

With the new School Committee having been sworn in, it is clear that there is a move afoot among certain members to undertake a major shakeup in the school administration. Although the feud between Mayor George V. Colella, an ex-officio member of the School Committee, and School Supt. William Hill has been well-known for many years, it is now obvious that RHS Principal Edward Manganiello may be on the hit list of a coalition of committee members led by newly-elected School Committeeman Hal Ford Abrams.

A 24 year old Revere man has been found guilty of the rapes of two local women that occurred in the summer of 1981. The defendant was committed for 20 days to Bridgewater State Hospital by Superior Court Judge Harry Elam and will be sentenced on January 30.

Schools were cancelled and city crews worked through the night to clear the 11 inches of snow that were dumped by the first storm of the season.

The city towed 15 cars this week pursuant to a new state law that allows municipalities to tow cars that have unpaid parking tickets.

Successful local businessman Robert J. “Bob” Sasso was feted to a 50th birthday party by his friends and family at Lombardo’s Boston Room in East Boston.

**50 years ago
January 9, 1974**

Mayor William G. Reinstein was sworn in for a second term of office before a capacity crowd in the City Hall auditorium. Reinstein called for cooperation among all city officials and department heads and for all to put aside their petty jealousies in his inaugural address. The 33 year old mayor proclaimed, “City Hall belongs to the people and we are chiefly responsible to them.” Following the inauguration, a crowd of 1500 persons filled Wonderland Ballroom for the Inaugural Ball which was highlighted by the Grand March of newly-elected officials.

The day after the inauguration, Mayor William Reinstein sent a letter to Police Chief George P. Corbett asking Corbett to shake up the Police Department in order to place more patrolmen on the city’s streets.

A move reportedly is afoot to draft Edward J. King, the Executive Director of Massport, as the Democratic candidate for governor to challenge Republican Francis W. Sargent.

City Councillor Edward O’Hara was elected President of the council on the first ballot in a hotly-contested vote of 6-5 with Ward 2 Councillor Sydney Dubchansky. O’Hara had resigned his post as a councillor in late November when he was told that it conflicted with his job as a State Trooper. However, since then O’Hara has left the State Police and taken a job as a court officer and assumed his duties as a councillor for the new term to which he was re-elected in November.

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Point of Pines Fire Station meeting room to be named for former Councillor Powers

By Adam Swift

When the new Point of Pines Fire Station opens, its community meeting room will be named for the long-time Ward 5 City Councillor who worked as hard as anyone to make the building a reality.

Monday night, the city council unanimously voted to name the community meeting room at the new station after former Ward 5 Councillor John Powers.

Powers lost his reelection bid last fall to Angela Guarino-Sawaya, but it was Guarino-Sawaya who made the motion to honor the former councillor.

“John has dedicated 23 years of his life to Ward 5 residents, and I think that the least that we can do is name the fire station meeting room after him,” said Guarino-Sawaya. “Since this was his baby and he tried to see the whole project through from the beginning to the end, it would really be an honor and I think he deserves it.”

Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto said he was happy to see the motion.

“John, his goal was to build this fire station, and I think it’s nice that we name something after someone who is still alive,” said Zambuto. “John deserves

this more than anybody.”

Council President Anthony Cogliandro and Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna also spoke in support of the motion.

Councillor-at-Large Robert Haas, III echoed the sentiments of his fellow councillors.

“He dedicated a lot, a large part of his life, to serving Revere and he did so with a lot of pride,” said Haas. “Even though he battled health issues the last few years on the council, he did so with pride and he did a great job. I think it’s important he is linked to this project that he was so passionate about.”

RHS SPEECH AND DEBATE AT NEWTON-SOUTH



The RHS Speech and Debate team competed at the 2023 Newton South Winter Festival. Erta Ismahili placed 9th in Student Congress, Adam Ouldzenagu placed 6th in Group Discussion, Heba Marouane placed 7th in Novice Oral Interpretation, and Salsabil Mendoza placed 5th in Radio Broadcasting. The team placed 8th place overall in team sweepstakes awards. Their next tournament will be at Boston Latin on January 20. Shown above from left to right, Adam Ouldzenagu, Alex Gracias, Salsabil Mendoza, Erta Ismahili, Heba Marouane, Raihan Ahmed, Safaa Laroussi, Dina Oufessa, and Carlos Umanzor.

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After accounting for the MSBA grants, Dakin said the total cost to Revere for building on the current site would be just under \$311 million, while the cost to the city of the Wonderland option would be just over \$288.5 million.

The buildings proposed for each site would essentially be the same, with a four-story academic wing and a three-story “heart of the school” area with the health and wellness, performing arts, and more public areas, according to members of the design team.

New City Council President Anthony Cogliandro moved the discussion to a committee of the whole meeting prior to the next council meeting on Monday, Jan. 29. Dakin and the project team are requesting that the council take a vote on the preferred option at that council meeting.

For some councillors and residents who spoke during Monday night’s meeting, one of the major concerns was a return to consideration of the Wonderland site for a new high school after that option appeared to be off the table.

The Wonderland site was initially selected as the preferred site of the new high school over a year ago.

However, a number of councillors raised concerns about the escalating costs for building on that site. Early last year, the council voted not to proceed with the schematic designs for the Wonderland site, and later tasked the school building committee and design team with drawing up alternatives for building on the current school site.

Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto made his displeasure about a potential return to the Wonderland option known early in Monday night’s meeting.

“I watched the presentation of the (school) building committee,” said Zambuto. “I’m going to be polite and say it was one sided, and to use my religion, there were sins of omission when it came to the negatives at Wonderland.”

Zambuto has been a consistent voice against building at Wonderland, often raising the potential lost tax revenue to the city if it builds a school on the property.

“The point I’m trying to make is that we gave a dictate to the building team to bring us back a preferred schematic design for the existing high school,” said Zambuto. “That doesn’t

include a new site selection, and that’s what’s being proposed.”

Zambuto said he saw cheerleading for returning to the Wonderland building option from the building team at the building committee meeting.

“My point of order is that what’s on the table is the schematic design for the existing high school,” said Zambuto. “If you want to start a new site selection, I don’t know if that’s going to work for the new timeline we are planning.”

Dakin said the building team was before the city council to give an update at the request of the building committee.

“We are at the point where we need to understand what to move forward with, which version of this project to move forward with in the next month,” said Dakin. “This decision has to be made once and for all of where this project is going to go and it has to have the backing of the school building committee, the school committee, and the city council.”

Over the past several years, Dakin said the building team has essentially done two feasibility studies for the two main building site options.

Dakin said the Wonderland option was back on the table because the school building committee requested that the option for building on the current site be compared to the prior option for the Wonderland property.

“I will somewhat reluctantly say that what you are going to see tonight is Leftfield and Consigli and Perkins Eastman and a number of other companies working on this (with their) professional opinion about what might be best,” said Dakin. “However, we are not trying to spin this in either way; we need to know what project we are working on. I would say that if either of these two options we are presenting tonight seems fundamentally better to you, it might just be because it is a better idea.”

As has been the case in past meetings and discussions, some of the issues raised with the current site included the disruption of building for up to five years on an active school site with staff and students, construction disruptions to the neighborhood, the uncertain future of the replacement of the culvert on the property, and issues with the loss of the playing fields and parking. Potential tidal area issues and

the need for environmental testing were raised as issues at the Wonderland site.

Keefe, who has steadily supported building at Wonderland, addressed the council and said his office would provide any resources necessary in the coming weeks to help members make a decision on the project.

“Since January 2020, before we knew of the global pandemic, we started this process and now we are at a critical point where the rubber does meet the road,” said Keefe.

The mayor said the council will need to determine if it wants to continue with plans to build on the existing high school site, or if it wants to take the opportunity to return to the Wonderland site.

Keefe said the Wonderland option was back on the table because of an increase in MSBA reimbursement rates, which would lead to a lower cost to residents of building on the site.

“Every time you wait and delay, the cost of the project is going to escalate,” said Keefe. “If there are any further delays, I’m extremely concerned that we’ll be completely pulled out of the MSBA process.”

The mayor said he understands that most people realize he has been a consistent supporter of building at Wonderland and explained why he continues to back that option. For the nearly four years he has been involved in the building process, Keefe said he has listened to the experts.

“Every time we talked about different sites, we kept going back to the word Wonderland,” said Keefe. “I know it is a really difficult decision and I don’t want to force you on this. It’s a much different environment than we had last year, I think you can all tell.”

The mayor continued that the school building committee asked for an additional review of the Wonderland site because of additional opportunities in the city if the school was built there.

“Using the current site seriously constrains our environment and it limits our future growth and takes us to so many future bad decisions,” said Keefe.

If the new high school is built at Wonderland, school officials have raised the possibility of using the current school site as the home of a new middle school.

“I do understand the factor of lost tax revenues is serious,” said Keefe. “As the mayor, it would be easy for me to say stay at the current site, I want the tax revenue.”

During the debate over the presentation, councillors raised questions about the culvert and the ownership of the Wonderland property.

Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya raised questions about the Eastern County Ditch on the Wonderland property and how that could impact construction.

Councillor-at-Large Robert Haas, III raised concerns about potential construction disruptions to the neighborhoods near the current high school.

Councillor-at-Large Michelle Kelley said she was having trouble with being asked to select a location when the city still does not know how much it will have to pay for the Wonderland property, given the ongoing legal proceedings.

Councillor-at-Large Juan Pablo Jaramillo asked about the potential flood mitigation issues at both sites.

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna raised concerns about safety for students walking near the busy Wonderland site and asked about safety measures for pedestrians.

“One of my biggest concerns is how we are going to keep these kids safe coming from Wonderland,” McKenna said.

Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky said he believes there are negatives to both sites, but that there are more negatives to building at the current high school site, including the loss of the athletic fields for five years or more.

Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri reiterated that if the city builds at Wonderland, it gets to keep and control the property the high school sits on now.

Cogliandro raised questions about the funding for either project the city moves forward with with city finance director Richard Viscay.

“For me, that is the number one most important thing,” said Cogliandro. “The reason I am sitting here (as president) is because I want to make sure the council is protected and I don’t want to make decisions last minute. I don’t want to get numbers ... even a week in advance. I want ... the councillors to have this so that we can utilize the time that Mayor Keefe opened up with him and his staff so we can sit down and talk about this and really dig into it.

“We did not have that opportunity last time, and I am happy to hear that we are going to, but we do need those numbers, for me it is of the utmost importance.”

Gold-Alexander // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

contract and business matters, bankruptcy law, general litigation and a wide range of other legal matters. She has resolved hundreds and hundreds of cases by settlement, mediation, arbitration and trial. She has also been appointed and has acted as an arbitrator and mediator for New England Dispute Resolution. She

has been previously appointed as a member of the Massachusetts Treasurer’s Alcohol Task Force and has held memberships with the Massachusetts Bar Association, Boston Bar Association, Greater Lynn Bar Association, Revere Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys.

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REVERE PARKS AND RECREATION HOSTS THE WINTER BALL

Photos by Marianne Salza

On January 6, families enjoyed dinner and dancing at the Springhill Suites on Revere Beach during The Winter Ball, presented by Revere Parks and

Recreation. Children, ages 3-7, spent the evening with “Frozen” princesses, Anna and Elsa, singing about snowmen, coloring, having their faces painted, and waving balloon animal snow wands.



Lillian Clouse, 7, and Mia Feeley, 7.



Princess Anna leading children in singing, “Do You Want to Build A Snowman”.



Families dancing to the “Cha Cha Slide”.



Ava DiScicolo, 8, and Layla Rodriguez, 8.



A girl spinning to the “Cotton Eye Joe”.



Katy Schulte-Grahame twirling her daughter, Evelyn Grahame, to “ABC”.



Peter and Addison Ngo, and Sophia Gonzalez with princesses, Anna and Elsa.



Olivia Harris, McKenna Duddan, and Kelly and Maddie Gayne, 7.

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THE ROBERT J. HAAS JR. HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER OFFICIALLY OPENS



Representing a Revere partner, Jerome Smith from Amazon addresses the crowd at the opening last Tuesday afternoon.



The new wellness center is officially run under the direction and staff of Revere's Parks and Recreation Department, Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Hinojosa spoke briefly about its hours of operation and thanked the Haas family for their commitment to the opening of the center.



John Kingston from St. Jean's Credit Union was on hand for the opening, and thanks to the generosity of St. Jean's, water bottles were donated to all that were in attendance. Kingston is shown with the General Manager of the Haas Wellness Center, Joseph Perrella (right).



Former Ward 3 Councillor and lifelong friend of Bob Haas, Arthur Guinasso greeted Juanita Haas at the door.



Junaita Haas with the state and local officials, School Committee member Anthony Caggiano, Councillor Angela Guarino Sawaya, State Rep. Jessica Gianino, Councillor Bob Haas III, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Councillors Chris Giannino, VP Ira Novoselsky, Anthony Zambuto, Joanne McKenna, State Rep. Jeff Turco, former Councillor Arthur Guinasso, and School Committee member John Kingston.

After overcoming hurdles and preparation the Robert J Haas Jr. Health & Wellness Center recently opened with the cutting of the ribbon by Juanita Haas and family.

Robert (Bob) J Haas jr. was an icon to the City of Revere, husband, father, businessman, member of the Revere School Committee, Revere City Council and former Mayor of the City of Revere. Serving his city and dedicating his life and love to his family, Bob Haas surely was a credit to our community. Bob was lost to us in 2017, and shortly following his passing his wife Juanita and family decided that a health and wellness center for the citizens of Revere would be a fitting memorial to him, and the city he loved and served for so many years with dignity.



Teary eyes, Juanita Haas watches her son and Revere City Councillor at Large Bob Haas III thank everyone and speak on the memory of his dad, Robert J. Haas Jr.



Juanita Haas and Councillor Bob Haas III with Director of Parks and Recreation Michael Hinojosa, Mayor Patrick Keefe and from Amazon, Jerome Smith.



The Haas family, Rachel (Haas) Shanley, Jenn Haas, Brayden Shanley, Juanita Haas, Nanci Haas with RJ Haas IV, Councillor Bob Haas III and John Coyne with Leni Haas.



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HOLIDAY CLASSIC

Marie Giacobbe (above) reads 'Twas The Night Before Christmas' at the Revere CARES holiday party. **PHOTOS, PAGE 11.**



HOLIDAY MUSIC

Photos from the popular radio station's sold-out benefit concert at the Tsongas Arena. **PAGE 8.**



TOURNEY HOPEFULS

RHS hockey team is off to a solid 2-2-2 start. **PAGE 15.**

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INAUGURATION

FIRST ORDERS OF BUSINESS

Correggio is in, Casella elected president

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If you've ever seen a mob of people try to squeeze through a little door all at the same time, or a bunch of kids scrambling for the last Easter egg - or better yet - a temporarily insane adult parent pushing and shoving for the latest children's toy during the holidays, then you know the kind of battle of wills that played out in the election of John Correggio at the City Council meeting following Monday's inauguration ceremony.

When all was said and done, Correggio had become a Councillor-at-large, and Mark Casella was elected president.

Before that place was reached, it was brute strength and awkwardness coming from many directions.

There were too many wills in one room.

The surroundings were fitting - an elementary school art room with gum stuck to the floors, the smells of



JOSEPH PREZIOSO PHOTO

City Clerk John Henry prepares to swear in John Correggio as the 11th member of the City Council. Correggio fills the seat vacated by Joseph Giannino, who stepped down last month.

chalk and Play-Dough wafting, and desks hopelessly painted over from years of errant magic marker.

The divergent wills of 10 City Councillors met head on immediately

after the 'Pledge of Allegiance' was recited as the men scrapped with one another over what to do about

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POLITICS, POLITICS, POLITICS

Complete coverage of Monday's inauguration ceremony and the latest City Council news.

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Mayor Thomas Ambrosino delivers his inaugural address.



Mark Casella is sworn in as City Council President.

CALLING THEM HOME



RICH BAILLIE PHOTO

Revere Fire Chief Eugene Doherty congratulates firefighter Richard Solari upon his retirement from the department. The RFD held a brief ceremony for the four retiring members of its ranks on New Year's Eve day. Another photo of this event appears on Page 4.

*This year, we'll be taking a weekly journey through the pivotal **headlines of 2004**, revisiting the year's most significant events. Join us as we explore these historic moments, one week at a time.*

OBITUARIES

Jo-Ann Sarro

Past Vice President of the Point of Pines Association

Family and friends attended a Memorial Visitation on Tuesday, January 9th in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St. Revere followed by a funeral service in the funeral home for Jo-Ann M. (Gesamondo) Sarro who passed away on Thursday, January 4th at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, surrounded by her loving family by her side following a long illness. She was 82 years old.

Jo-Ann was born in Boston on April 10, 1941 to the late Joseph and Loretta (Agri) Gesamondo. She was one of three girls and an identical twin. Jo-Ann was raised and educated in Revere and was an alumna of McKinley Elementary and Revere High School, Class of 1959. Following high school, Jo-Ann began working as a teller at a local bank in Revere.

On May 5th, 1962, she married the love of her life, Richard Sarro. The couple remained living in Revere and had two children, a daughter, Lisa and a son, Richard. She happily raised her children and provided a loving and caring home.

Jo-Ann returned to work when her children were of age and began a career at United Airlines in ground service. Jo-Ann spent the next 15 years working there until her retirement.

Jo-Ann loved Revere very much. She was often seen riding her bicycle or walking along Revere Beach. She was an active presence within her Point of Pines Neighborhood and was the past Vice President of the Point of Pines Association. She also stayed very busy with her group of friends and enjoyed their many get-togethers where they played cards, talked about current events and always politics.

Jo-Ann was very sociable and enjoyed meeting people wherever she went. She left a lasting impression on everyone who had the privilege of meeting her.



She cherished the time spent with her family, eating, drinking and laughing. Jo-Ann was known for her feisty attitude and vibrant energy. She will be forever loved and missed by her family.

Jo-Ann was the beloved wife of 61 years to Richard J. Sarro, Sr. of the Point of Pines section of Revere; the loving mother of Lisa A. Micciulla and her husband, James of Revere and Richard J. Sarro, Jr. and his companion, Jessica Sullivan of Nahant; the cherished Nana to James Micciulla and Laura Micciulla, both of Revere and the dear sister of Grace Statuto and her husband, Anthony "Tony" of Danvers. Her most treasured times were spent caring for her identical twin sister, Betty-Ann Santosuosso, who predeceased her and her late husband, Ralph. She was the dear and special aunt of Robin Martyn and Ralphie Santosuosso along with several other nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Jo-Ann's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

To send online condolences, please visit www.vertucciosmithvazza.com.

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Albert Goodrich

Volunteer Chelsea Firefighter and Woodlawn Cemetery Employee

Albert Goodrich of Revere passed away on December 30 at the age of 74.

Born in Chelsea on August 9, 1949 to the late Charles and Elizabeth (Levy) Goodrich, he was the beloved husband of the late Susanne (DiMatteo) and is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Albert was a volunteer firefighter in the City of Chelsea and worked at Woodlawn Cemetery. He loved dogs and building model cars.

A Visitation will be held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Friday, January 12 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. followed by a Prayer Service in the Funeral Home at 12:30 p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery.

For guest book, please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Miriam Anne Foley (Russell-McDonald)

Former Nun and Retired Nurse

Miriam Anne Foley (Russell-McDonald) passed away on January 2, surrounded by her family and friends and the absolutely, wonderful caregivers at Brightview Senior Living in Danvers.

Born in Bergenfield, NJ to Anne and Francis Russell, she was the youngest of eight children. As a young girl, Miriam's family moved to Weehawken, NJ in 1942, just across the river from New York City.

Miriam joined the Carmelite Sisters in 1946 as a young woman and remained a nun until 1963 earning her nursing degree and working at St. Patrick's Manor in the Bronx, New York City.

Upon leaving the order and travelling to Boston, she worked at Beth Israel hospital, and it was there she met, fell in love and married Kenneth McDonald with whom she raised five children and settled in the Beachmont section of Revere.

Miriam loved bringing her children to Short Beach just down the street, finding and supporting every stray cat that found its way to their Pearl Ave. home. She worked at Winthrop Hospital for twenty years and found a community of nurses who became lifelong friends.

Later Miriam would find sobriety and discover a calling more powerful than any she'd known, helping people she respected and for whom she



cared deeply. Miriam later married Robert Foley in 1993 and spent many happy years visiting the arcades that reminded them of their youth.

Miriam was predeceased by her husband, Ken McDonald in 2003 and her husband, Bob Foley in 2015, and her beloved son, Martin E. McDonald in 2009. She leaves behind her children: Kenneth J. McDonald of Lynn, Mary D. (McDonald) Hill and her husband, Kevin of Danvers, Richard F. McDonald and his wife, Dori of Brentwood, NH and Ann Marie (McDonald) Giambertone and her husband, Vin of Duxbury. She will be missed by her seven grandchildren; Kenny McDonald, Andrew Hill, Owen Hill, Aiden Hill, Ronan McDonald, Sofia Giambertone and Tessa Giambertone, who along with her late grandson, Brent McDonald, all enjoyed her sharp memory and stories of life in the convent and fundraising in her full habit across New York City in the 1940's and 1950's. Miriam's brothers and sisters all predeceased her and we're sure she was euphoric to see them all again on January 2nd.

The family would like to sincerely thank the nurses, the aids, and the restaurant staff of Brightview, whose living definition of "care" made her final years a joy. We would also like to thank her friends, Charlene and RoseMary who visited her so frequently and reminded her of so many good times.

Family and friends attended Visiting Hours in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach Street, Revere on Monday January 8th followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere. Interment followed in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to MSPCA Angell by visiting <https://www.mspca.org/donate-now/>.

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Steven Anthony Coscia

Recently retired member of the Concierge Team at the Boston InterContinental Hotel

Steven Anthony Coscia, who was born in Chelsea, raised in Revere, and most recently resided in Winthrop, passed away on December 19, 2023.

Steven was a 1972 graduate of Dominic Savio High School in East Boston and had recently retired as a member of the concierge team at the InterContinental Hotel in Boston.

Steven had lived in Honolulu, Hawaii for more than 17 years before returning to the Boston area in the late 1990's. He was beloved by the many friends he made throughout his life and through them his "Aloha Spirit" will live on.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony L. Coscia and Eleanor I. (Cristiano) Coscia; aunts and uncles including: Anthony and Rita (Cristiano) Russo, Michael and Eleanor (Picardi) Cristiano, Enes (Cristiano) Patterson, Ralph Coscia, Michael Coscia, Edward and Dora (DeMarco) Coscia and Louise Coscia; dearest cousin, Liane (Russo) MacDonald, as well as cousins, Anthony (Buddy) Russo and Nanci (Patterson) Anderson.



He is survived by his long-time partner, Richard Matte of Winthrop; brother, David Coscia of Los Angeles; cherished cousins, Lani Miraglia of Swampscott and Samuel MacDonald of Revere as well as cousins: Michael Cristiano of Revere, Nancy (Cristiano) Ciarlone of Revere, Brad Cristiano of Florida and several other first-second and third-cousins.

Donations in his memory can be made to his chosen charity, the Doris Day Animal Foundation (www.dorisdayanimalfoundation.org).

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Thomas "Tommy" "TG" Garrett

Builder and restorer of motorcycles, one of which was once featured in the Boston Globe

Thomas J. Garrett, better known as Tommy or TG by many friends and family, of Chelsea, formerly of Revere, unexpectedly passed away on January 1, 2024. He was 55-years-old.

Tommy was born on October 26, 1968. He was raised in Revere and went through the Revere Public School System to achieve his high school diploma. Tommy worked as a parts driver for Nucar Toyota of Norwood for the last two years. Prior, he worked as a truck driver and loader for several companies in the greater Boston area.

During his spare time, Tommy enjoyed building and riding his motorcycle. One of the motorcycles that he had built was featured in The Boston Globe. Not only did he build and restore motorcycles, Tommy also built and restored a 1969 and a 1970 Dodge Charger.

A fond memory his mother, Linda Aufiero, and brother, Jason Aufiero has is that when Jason was younger, he was "annoying" Tommy as he was trying to work on one of his Chargers. After calling his name a few times, Tommy finally answered, "what?!" Jason looked at him and said, "your car is a hunk of junk" and ran back inside their home, giggling the whole way.

Besides working on cars and motorcycles, Tommy also really enjoyed fishing. He was also an avid dog lover and helped rescue dogs and find them homes.

Tommy, or TG, is survived by his mother, Linda Aufiero, and stepfather, Ralph J. "Chubby" Vazza of Revere. He was the beloved father to his son, Tyler D. Mason of Ohio and to his God-daughter, Giulia Komnenus of Everett. He was the dear brother of Jason Aufiero and his wife, Stephanie of Attleboro and step-brother of Felicia Vazza of Naples, FL., cherished uncle of Christian Aufiero, loving cousin of Joseph Aufiero and his wife, Catherine and their



children, Gabriella, Joseph and Francesco; Robert Aufiero, David Aufiero and Alex Aufiero. Tommy is also survived by his best friend and beloved dog, Buster and many friends and family.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours today, Wednesday, January 10th from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach Street, Revere. His funeral will be at First Congregational Church, 230 Beach Street, Revere on Thursday, January 11th at 10 a.m. Interment will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to New England Donor Services, 60 First Avenue, Waltham, MA 02451 or by visiting: <https://neds.org/give/>

Even after life, he is still helping those in need.

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in Winthrop on
January 13, 2024, at 11:30 am.

Gloria was a lifelong Revere resident. She passed away peacefully at age 75 at The Marion Manor in South Boston on October 15, 2023. She is survived by her son Walter Falta of Stoneham, Jamie Gifford and his wife Paula of Winthrop, as well as Jean Barnaby of Revere and John Leo Barnaby Jr. of Boston. Predeceased by son Richard Falta. Gloria also has many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers please donate to
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Rita A. Giangregorio

01/13/2023 - 01/13/2024



While the grief is still fresh in our hearts, on your first death anniversary, we know that you are in a better place now. Not a day has passed since we don't think of you. Rita, your absence pains us deeply, and we miss you all the time. You were gone too soon but will always be in our hearts. Your amazing smile, your willingness to always help others, and your love of life, faith in God, and the love of travel will always be cherished. You impacted everyone you met leaving us with amazing memories. We love you so much and will always strive to make you proud of us every day. Rest in peace our angel Rita. You have left a void in our lives, and we miss your love, kindness, and wonderful nature. You will never be forgotten. Ti vogliamo sempre bene Rita. Ci manchi tanto. "Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know they are happy" - Unknown.

"Live life to the fullest! God is good!" Rita Giangregorio

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OBITUARIES

Leroy “Custer” Zawadski

Retired Merchant Marine known for his adventurous spirit who worked with Jacques Cousteau on the Calypso

In sorrow we announce the passing of Leroy “Custer” Zawadski (89) of Revere, affectionately known as Ski, on January 5, 2024. Born on July 27, 1934 in Pottstown, PA, he grew up in Reading and attended school there. Ski proudly served in the U.S Navy aboard the U.S.S Wadleigh during the Korean War.

After serving his country, he went on to marry and raise his family in East Boston.

Ski was known for his adventurous spirit. As a merchant marine he traveled the world having many adventures, including working with Jacques Cousteau on the Calypso. Ski had a fun loving nature that touched all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Ski was a man of simple pleasures, enjoying a quiet game of solitaire, sunsets on the Pines River, country music, and the thrill of a Boston Red Sox game. He also loved reminiscing about the mischief he got into with his childhood friend, Merlyn Reed. Yet what mattered most was time spent with his wife, Patty, visiting family in Pennsylvania and cherishing moments with his children and grandchildren.

He was the beloved husband of Patricia Maloney of 25 years, dear brother of Karen Vozella, William Zawaski and brother-in-law of Eugene Hull; devoted father of Robert (Cheryl)Zawaski, Richard



(Donna) Zawaski, Paula (Philip) Pruden, Katherine (Mark) Aborn and Connie Ramsey; loving grandfather of Richard, Dina, Michelle, Katherine, Cecilia, Grace , Henry and Jodi Ramsey of Pennsylvania. He also leaves behind five great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Custer and Mildred Zawaski; siblings: Richard, Donald, John, Barbara (Nissley), Kathleen (Hull) and grandchildren, Jennifer(Benevento) and Robert Zawaski.

A Visitation to honor and celebrate Ski will be held on Thursday, January 11 at 10 a.m. followed by a memorial service at 11:30 a.m. at Buonfiglio Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere.

In remembering Ski, we invite you to share your memories and upload photos to his memorial page. His spirit lives on in the stories we share and memories we hold dear.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Ski’s name to My Brother’s Table, 98 Willow Street, Lynn, MA 01901. For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

WBZ METEOROLOGIST VISITS A.C. WHELAN SCHOOL THIRD GRADERS

By Melissa Moore-Randall

WBZTV’s Meteorologist Jacob Wycoff recently visited the A.C. Whelan 3rd Graders. In a packed auditorium of 125 excited 3rd graders, Wycoff discussed his role as a meteorologist and how weather works. Third grade studies weather as part of their yearlong Science curriculum so they were also able to ask questions. The school received a shout out the next day on the morning segment of the news.



A.C. Whelan Third Graders Getting a Shout Out on WBZTV from Meteorologist Jacob Wycoff.



A.C. Whelan 3rd Graders enjoying a presentation from WBZTV’s Meteorologist Jacob Wycoff.



WBZTV’s Meteorologist Jacob Wycoff speaking to A.C. Whelan Third-Graders.

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ber. The court officer position also pays more than a State Trooper.

The School Committee filled three administrative posts, naming Francis Murphy as the new assistant principal at Revere High; Mrs. Arleen Barnes as the dean of girls; and Arthur Ameral as the dean of boy students.

60 years ago January 9, 1964

Chelsea District Court Judge John W. MacLeod administered the oath of office to the newly-elected city officials before a capacity crowd in the City Council Chambers Monday morning. Msgr. Guido Pallotta and the Rev. John Bailey joined MacLeod in expressing their hope for an open and honest government in the year ahead. The City Council afterwards unanimously elected Peter Jordan as the new Mayor. New City Manager Melvin Taymore was sworn in separately last week, succeeding former City Manager Edward P. O’Toole, who hastily announced his retirement in the wake of reports of missing city money and financial mismanagement.

The New England Telephone Company has announced that beginning next month, all phone numbers in the city will be expressed as seven numbers, beginning with either 284- or 289-, rather than two letters and five numbers, which previously were ATLantic 4 or ATLantic 9.

70 years ago January 14, 1954

The first major snowstorm of the season deposited 11 inches of snow

on the city Tuesday night, bringing temperatures that plunged near zero. The city’s main thoroughfares were plowed quickly, but parked cars on side streets hindered the snow removal efforts.

John J. O’Donnell, 58, a disabled war veteran, died from smoke inhalation from a fire in his apartment in the wooden block at Orr Square. All of the other 32 occupants of the building were evacuated and six firefighters were injured. The state Fire Marshal preliminarily has determined that careless smoking caused the blaze. Firefighters made spectacular rescues over ladders of residents from the second and third floors. The first floor of the building housed many businesses that are now out of business: General Cab Co., Foley Restaurant, Beach Sales, Orr Square Barber Shop, and Walter Hickey Real Estate.

The City Council has endorsed City Manager Edward P. O’Toole’s quest

for a bigger and better Revere by voting to support O’Toole’s aim of selling all city-owned marshland to potential developers.

Two Revere men previously reported as missing in action in Korea now are presumed dead. They are Cpl. Shirley Andrew of 2 Crest Ave., who has been missing in action since Sept. 7, 1950, and Pfc. Frank J. Charido of 42 Carlson Ave., who has been missing since December 13, 1950.

Two shoe manufacturing plants, which would employ up to 700 persons, reportedly are making inquiries about locating in Revere.

80 years ago January 13, 1944

Revere’s toll of men missing in the war was increased this week with the announcement by the War Department that Navy sailor Lugo Michael Pennachio, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pennachio of 55 Vane St., has been reported missing in action in

the southwest Pacific.

A Heaven-sent mattress saved the life of Navy Coxswain Raymond Belles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Belles of 63 Shawmut Ave., after his ship, the USS McKean, was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine in the Pacific. Belles, who is unable to swim a stroke, was floundering in the water at night when he felt a mattress come floating past him. Death was all but certain, but he held onto the mattress on which he was able to stay afloat until he was picked up by fellow crewmen in a life raft.

Edward P. O’Toole, the secretary to Mayor Raymond Carey, has been named the city auditor by Carey and approved by the City Council. O’Toole, a graduate of Immaculate Conception High and the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, succeeds Mrs. Lauretta Burke, whose term has expired. The post pays \$2800 annually.



Shown left to right during a 1992 tree planting ceremony in Beachmont, Rocco Malfitano, Manny Ferrante, Denise Salemi, Mayor Bob Haas Jr., Jane Cohen, President of the Rotary Club, State Rep. Bill Reinstein, State Sen. Thomas Birmingham, State Rep. Bob DeLeo, Linda Rosa and Frank Lillo.

CIT Funds // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

June 30 was \$891,497.95. The funds come from development in the city, and can be used for projects to improve the wards.

Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto said he supported the request to use the money for air monitors in Ward 5, provided the information collected from the monitors was accurate.

“I just want accurate data, because we’ve been given false data with these monitors before and I

don’t want to see a repeat of that,” said Zambuto. “As I said back in December, I’d be happy to pay even more to make sure they are accurate monitors, and we are not monitoring the roadway debris and calling it WinWaste or calling the wind off the ocean and saying it’s WinWaste.”

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna noted that she has an air quality monitor at her house to monitor the air traffic going

over Beachmont. She said that data is collected and analyzed weekly by Tufts University and that she is confident with how they handle the data.

The \$30,000 in CIT funds for the Leach Park will be matched by \$185,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds, according to Tom Skwierawski, the city’s director of planning and community development.

“This will include updating the wood fencing,

ADA accessible entrances, level and improved stone dust walkways, landscaping, and tree plantings as well as lighting throughout the park,” he said.

The work was done in partnership with McKenna and the residents of Beachmont through a series of community meetings over the fall. McKenna voiced her support for the project and the use of the CIT funds.

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On the 28th of August, 1963, a century following Abraham Lincoln’s historic Emancipation Proclamation that liberated the slaves, a young Martin Luther King ascended the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. There, he shared his dream for America. Over 200,000 individuals, both black and white, gathered to hear him. The vision shared on the steps of the Memorial that day became the aspiration of an entire generation. Below, please find the full text of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s “I Have a Dream” speech.

I am happy to join with you today in what will go down in history as the greatest demonstration for freedom in the history of our nation.

Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand today, signed the Emancipation Proclamation. This momentous decree came as a great beacon of hope to millions of slaves, who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of their captivity. But one hundred years later, the colored America is still not free. One hundred years later, the life of the colored American is still sadly crippled by the manacle of segregation and the chains of discrimination.

One hundred years later, the colored American lives on a lonely island of poverty in the midst of a vast ocean of material prosperity. One hundred years later, the colored American is still languishing in the corners of American society and finds himself an exile in his own land. So we have come here today to dramatize a shameful condition.

In a sense we have come to our Nation’s Capital to cash a check. When the architects of our great republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Decla-

ration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir.

This note was a promise that all men, yes, black men as well as white men, would be guaranteed the inalienable rights of life liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

It is obvious today that America has defaulted on this promissory note insofar as her citizens of color are concerned. Instead of honoring this sacred obligation, America has given its colored people a bad check, a check that has come back marked “insufficient funds.”

But we refuse to believe that the bank of justice is bankrupt. We refuse to believe that there are insufficient funds in the great vaults of opportunity of this nation. So we have come to cash this check, a check that will give us upon demand the riches of freedom and security of justice.

We have also come to his hallowed spot to remind America of the fierce urgency of Now. This is not time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism.

Now is the time to make real the promise of democracy.

Now it the time to rise from the

dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice.

Now it the time to lift our nation from the quicksand of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood.

Now is the time to make justice a reality to all of God’s children.

I would be fatal for the nation to overlook the urgency of the moment and to underestimate the determination of it’s colored citizens. This sweltering summer of the colored people’s legitimate discontent will not pass until there is an invigorating autumn of freedom and equality. Nineteen sixty-three is not an end but a beginning. Those who hope that the colored Americans needed to blow off steam and will now be content will have a rude awakening if the nation returns to business as usual.

There will be neither rest nor tranquility in America until the colored citizen is granted his citizenship rights. The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.

We can never be satisfied as long as our bodies, heavy with the fatigue of travel, cannot gain lodg-

ing in the motels of the highways and the hotels of the cities.

We cannot be satisfied as long as the colored person’s basic mobility is from a smaller ghetto to a larger one.

We can never be satisfied as long as our children are stripped of their selfhood and robbed of their dignity by signs stating “for white only.”

We cannot be satisfied as long as a colored person in Mississippi cannot vote and a colored person in New York believes he has nothing for which to vote.

No, no we are not satisfied and we will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream.

I am not unmindful that some of you have come here out of your trials and tribulations. Some of you have come from areas where your quest for freedom left you battered by storms of persecutions and staggered by the winds of police brutality.

You have been the veterans of creative suffering. Continue to work with the faith that unearned suffering is redemptive.

Go back to Mississippi, go back

to Alabama, go back to South Carolina go back to Georgia, go back to Louisiana, go back to the slums and ghettos of our modern cities, knowing that somehow this situation can and will be changed.

Let us not wallow in the valley of despair. I say to you, my friends, we have the difficulties of today and tomorrow.

I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal.

I have a dream that one day out in the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by their character.

and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I will go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope.

With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood.

With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, knowing that we will be free one day.

This will be the day when all of God’s children will be able to sing with new meaning “My country ‘tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my father’s died, land of the Pilgrim’s pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring!”

And if America is to be a great nation, this must become true. So let freedom ring from the hilltops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York.

Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania.


Let freedom ring from the snow-capped Rockies of Colorado.

Let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California.

But not only that, let freedom ring from Stone Mountain of Georgia.

Let freedom ring from every hill and molehill of Mississippi and every mountainside.

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every tenement and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God’s children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old spiritual, “Free at last, free at last. Thank God Almighty, we are free at last.”



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

Mayor of Revere
Patrick Keefe Jr.



"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend."

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Lydia Edwards




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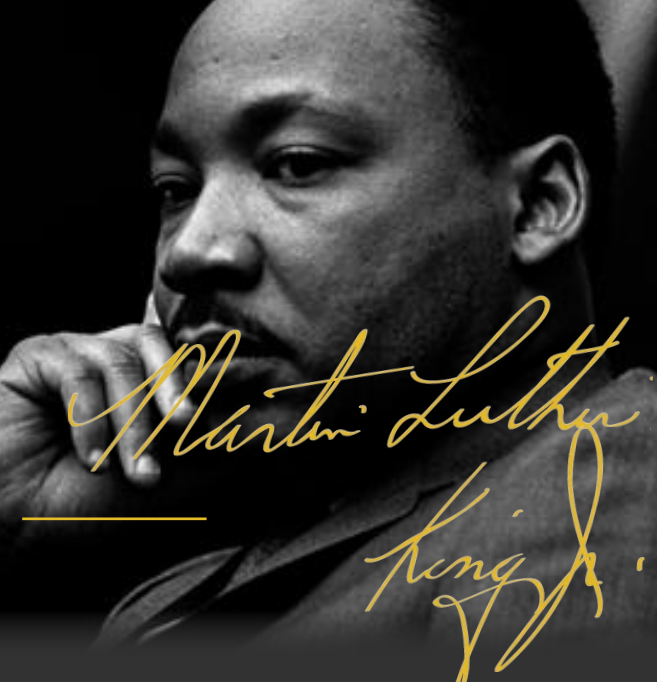
"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

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"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."


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RHS SPORTS Roundup

GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYS IN TD GARDEN SUNDAY

The Revere High girls basketball team will experience the dream of every high school hoop player when they take to the floor of the TD Boston Garden this Sunday, January 14, for a 10:00 tip-off against Notre Dame Academy of Hingham.

The contest is among the games being played by high school teams throughout the day and evening in the annual Andrew James Lawson Invitational tournament, which is a fundraiser for the Andrew James Lawson not-for-profit organization established in Andrew's memory by his family to advance and improve the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The foundation provides funding for developing and promoting programs, projects, and individual scholarships that encourage and support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and help foster inclusion in their community.

Coach Ariana Rivera and her Lady Patriots presently stand at 6-3 on the season after victories over Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Malden and Everett last week.

In the 25-22 victory over Malden, Alisha Jean scored five points and pulled down nine rebounds and made three steals. Teammate Belma Velic hit for seven points and snared 15 boards. In the 59-36 triumph over Everett, Jean led the point parade with 22 points. Shayna Smith also reached double-figures with 14 points.

Revere is 5-1 in the GBL and was scheduled to meet GBL foe Somerville last night (Tuesday). The Lady Patriots will trek to GBL rivals Lynn Classical tomorrow (evening) and to Lynn English next Tuesday.

RHS BOYS BASKETBALL KNOCKS OFF EVERETT, 44-41

The Revere High boys basketball team handed first-place Everett its first loss of the season in the Greater Boston League with a gutsy 44-41 triumph Friday evening at the Merullo Fieldhouse.

Entering the contest, the Crimson Tide were the heavy favorites. Everett was 4-0 in the GBL, including a victory over previously-undefeated Lynn English. By contrast, the Patriots came into the fray with a 1-4 mark in the GBL, including an 82-51 loss to English.

However, coach David Leary's squad put it all together to knock off the Crimson Tide before a delighted home crowd.

The contest started inauspiciously for the Patriots, as Everett jumped out to a 6-0 lead thanks to a pressure defense that caused Revere turnovers. After a propitious time-

out, by Leary, the Patriots regained their focus and took better care of the basketball.

Junior forward Erick Mayorga (4 points, 5 rebounds) made an elbow jump shot and sophomore forward Sean Burnett (4 points, 4 rebounds, 2 blocks) made a fast-break layup.

Senior forward Ryan El Babor (4 points, 4 rebounds) had a nice layup through traffic and junior guard Ethan Day scored twice inside to give Revere a 10-8 lead to end the first quarter.

With the Revere defense trapping Everett all over in the half court, the Patriots received an offensive lift from senior center Amir Yamani (4 points 8 rebounds). Though El Babor hit a put-back and Day sank two baskets and a free throw, the quarter was played out evenly between the two teams, leaving Revere ahead, 21-19, at the half.

The first few minutes after the intermission was all Revere. The Patriots came out flying, with junior guard Josh Mercado (3 points, 4 assists, 3 steals) nailing a three-pointer from the wing, Burnett skied up for an offensive rebound tip-in and Day had a nice spin move and layup to extend the Revere's advantage to 29-20 with 3:42 remaining in the third period quarter.

Revere junior point guard Avi Lung (9 points, 5 assists, 5 steals) made a nice drive to the hoop and a few possessions later sank two free throws, giving Revere a 33-26 lead heading into the final quarter.

The bigger Everett team came out with a clear focus to get the ball inside to start the fourth quarter and got a few layups and free throws to tighten things up. The Tide went on a 10-2 run to take the lead, 36-35, midway through the period.

Revere, after another timely timeout by Leary, then relied heavily on their juniors to regain the lead. Day (16 points, 5 rebounds) made two tough floaters over Everett defenders, Lung drained a three-pointer from the top, and Mayorga hit a baseline jumper to put the Patriots up four with 1:35 remaining.

The visitors then made a bucket to make it a one-possession game and, after a Revere miss, Everett was moving the ball around to try to tie the game or take the lead. But that's when Lung donned Superman's cape for the Patriots, jumping the passing lane for a steal and a layup, and the Patriots held on for the 44-41 victory.

"We really challenged these guys the last two practices to get back to basics and be tougher on the boards and 50/50 balls," said Leary. "I'm very proud of this team. We definitely played with a ton of energy and passion and it showed. We stayed together after losing the

RHS PATRIOTS BASKETBALL VS. EVERETT HIGH CRIMSON TIDE



BOB MARRA PHOTO

ALL ROADS CLOSED: Ryan ElBabor (10), Ethan Day, Luke Ellis, and Avi Lung put up a defensive wall around Everett's Allsin Desruisseaux. See more photos and story on Page 12.

lead and showed a lot of poise down the stretch. It was a good team win."

The victory capped off a rollercoaster week for O'Leary's crew. During the vacation break, the Patriots had defeated GBL foe Malden, 51-40, in the consolation game of the

Revere Holiday Tournament. However, in a rematch five days later last Tuesday at Malden, the Golden Tornadoes turned the tables and came away with a 53-36 win.

"The Malden defense was intense from the start," noted Leary.

A basket from senior center Amir Yamani, two free throws from junior guard Josh Mercado (7 points, 5 steals), and two free throws and a basket from leading scorer junior guard Ethan Day was all that Revere could muster as Malden took an 11-8 at

the end of the first frame.

The second quarter was more of the same, as Malden continued to pressure Revere (24 turnovers on the night) and made it tough on the visitors to score.

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RHS PATRIOTS BASKETBALL VS. EVERETT HIGH CRIMSON TIDE



TAKING THE UNDER ROUTE: Avi Lung (4) goes under the defense of Everett’s Allsin Desruisseaux on an alley-opp layup for two points.



DOUBLE TROUBLE: Revere’s Amir Yamani (1) and Sean Bennett (5) put the squeeze on Everett’s Allsin Desruisseaux (11).



FINDING A WAY: Sean Bennett (5) picks his way through a trio of Everett defenders.

Bob Marra Photos

Ethan Day tallied 16 points and Revere played stifling defense all night as the underdog Patriots (1-



KEEP AWAY: Ryan El Babor (10) comes down with a rebound over Everett’s Henrique Pinto.



SPEED BURST: Ethan Day (13) sees an opening and high-steps it between Everett’s Allsin Desruisseaux (left) and Jevaun Berberena.



GIANT EFFORT: Joshua Mercado takes down a rebound from Everett’s Henrique Pinto.

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Senior co-captain Andrew Leone (4 points, 8 rebounds) and senior co-captain Luke Ellis drained a three-pointer from the wing to get the Patriots' offense going. Senior forward Ryan El Babor (4 points, 2 blocks) had a nice drive to the basket and Day had a floater in the lane to keep Revere close, but the Pats still trailed, 25-19, at halftime.

Revere came out after the intermission and made some adjustments to try to offset the aggressive Golden Tornado defense. Junior forward Erick Mayorga had an offensive rebound and put-back, Mercado hit a corner trey, and Day (14 points, 5 rebounds) had a basket plus the foul and two baseline finishes to pull Revere close, but Malden held on to a two-point lead, 33-31, heading into the final eight minutes.

The fourth quarter was all Malden, however, Revere again struggled with turnovers and it led to a bunch of transition baskets for the Golden Tornadoes. Revere sophomore forward Sean Burnett made two free throws, El Babor had a put-back. and Day made a free throw, but the Malden shooting was lights out late in the game to account for the 53-36 finale.

“Give Malden a lot of credit -- they came out and were the aggressor from the opening tip," said Leary. "They had 22 offensive rebounds and made us turn it over all night. We won’t win a lot of games this year allowing stats like that. Just need to get back to work and continue to try to improve. We can’t dwell on this.”

The Patriots, who now

stand at 3-5 on the season (2-4 in the GBL), were scheduled to head to GBL foe Somerville last night (Tuesday). They will host GBL rivals Lynn Classical tomorrow (Thursday) and Lynn English next Tuesday. Both of those home contests will tip off at 7:00.

RHS GIRLS TRACK IMPROVES TO 3-0

The Revere High girls indoor track and field team improved to 3-0 on the season with victories over Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Chelsea (58-41) and Lynn English (61-38) in a tri-meet held last Tuesday at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston.

Junior Liv Yuong was the top-scorer for coach Racquel MacDonald's squad, taking first place vs. both Chelsea and English in the 55 meter hurdles with a clocking of 9.84 (just edging Chelsea's Giselle Olivar by 0.02), the long jump with a flight of 14'-11", and the high jump with a leap of 4'6".

In addition, Liv's performance in the hurdles was the fastest among all of the GBL schools (all of whom were competing at the Reggie last Tuesday), her effort in the long jump was number one among all of the GBL on the day, and her effort in the high jump ranked second in the GBL.

Sophomore Gemma Stamatopoulos was another double-winner for Revere in the 600 dash. In addition, Gemma's time of 1:52.63 was the fastest among all of the GBL teams.

Olivia Rupp, with a mile run of 6:34.74, also was a double winner in the tri-meet, as well as record-

ing the best time of the day by 14 seconds over the next-fastest GBL girl from Somerville.

Other point scorers for the Lady Patriots in the tri-meet were:

55 meter hurdles: Yara Belguendouz, 3rd vs. Chelsea and 2nd vs. LE; Basma Sahibi, 3rd vs. LE;

55 meter dash: Ashley Rodriguez, 2nd vs. Chelsea and LE; Giselle Salvador, 3rd vs. Chelsea and LE;

300 dash: Jaliya Manigo, 1st vs. Chelsea and 2nd vs. LE; Rania Hamdani, 2nd vs. Chelsea and 3rd vs. LE;

600 dash: Gianna Chiodi, 3rd. vs. LE;

1000: Hiba El Bzyouy, 2nd vs. Chelsea and 1st vs. LE; Valeria Sepulveda, 3rd vs. Chelsea and 2nd vs. LE; Yasmi Riazi, 3rd vs. LE.

2 mile: Daniela Santana Baez, 1st vs. LE;

High jump: Basma Sahibi, 2nd vs. Chelsea and LE; Jaliyah Manigo, 3rd vs. Chelsea and LE;

Long jump: Ashley Rodriguez, 2nd vs. Chelsea, 3rd vs. LE;

Shot-put: Ashley Chandler, 3rd vs. LE.

4 x 200: (Salvador, Rodriguez, Manigo, and Danni Hope. Randall), 1st vs. Chelsea;

4 x 400: (Rupp, Stamatopoulos, Hamdani, G. Zierten): 1st vs. Chelsea, 1st vs. LE.

"I'm so proud of how the girls have been competing and I know they will only continue to get stronger as the season progresses," enthused MacDonald, whose squad is back in action today (Wednesday) with another tri-meet vs. a pair of GBL opponents, Malden and Lynn Classical, at the Reggie.

RHS BOYS RUN PAST CHELSEA, LYNN ENGLISH

The Revere High boys indoor track and field team recorded a pair of victories last Tuesday, defeating Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Chelsea and Lynn English in a tri-meet held last Tuesday at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston.

Leading the way for the Patriots with victories over both Chelsea and English were: sophomore Oliver Escobar, who led a Revere sweep in the 55 meter dash with a sprint of 7/03; Isaiah DeCrosta, who sped to victory in the 55 hurdles with a clocking of 8.45 (which was the fastest time among all of the GBL schools that day) that led a Revere sweep; JV Cunha in the 300 dash, to lead another Patriot sweep, with a time of 39.03, which was the second-best in the GBL on the day; Medy Bellem-sieh in the 600 in a time of 1:35.02; Kenan Batic in the 1000 in 2:59.59, which was the second-fastest time in the GBL that day; and Danny Hou in the long jump with a leap of 18'-4".

In addition the RHS relay teams not only defeated both of their Chelsea and English counterparts, but also recorded the fastest times among all of the GBL schools.

The 4 x 200 relay quartet of Y. Benhamou, D. Escobar, G. Woodard, and Jeremy X came across in a time of 1:38.66 and the 4 x 400 foursome of M. Bellem-sieh, E. Alarcon, K. Batic, and JV Cunha sped around the oval in a clocking of 3:54.88.

Other point-scorers for Revere in the tri-meet

were:

55 meter dash: Kepler Celamy, 2nd. vs. Chelsea and 2nd vs. LE; Geo Woodard, 3rd vs. both Chelsea and LE;

55 meter hurdles: Al-len Hou, 2nd vs. Chelsea and LE; Fajr Riazi, 3rd vs. Chelsea and LE;

300 dash: Jeremy X, 2nd vs. Chelsea and LE; Yousef Benhamou, 3rd vs. Chelsea and LE;

1000: Mohamed Fares, 3rd vs. Chelsea, 2nd vs. LE;

1 mile: Edwin Alarcon, 3rd vs. Chelsea, 1st vs. LE; Ziyad Dendane, 3rd vs. LE;

2 mile: Adam Assour, 2nd vs. Chelsea, 1st vs. LE; Johann Jimenez, 3rd vs. Chelsea, 2nd vs. LE;

Long jump: Kepler Bel-lamy, 2nd vs. LE, Randi Rodriguez, 3rd vs. LE;

Shot-put: Allen Hou, 3rd vs. Chelsea, 1st vs. LE; Kevin Purciful, 2nd vs. LE;

4 x 200.

Coach David Fleming and his crew, who now are 2-1 on the season, were scheduled to meet another pair of GBL foes (Malden and Lynn Classical) in a tri-meet today (Wednesday) at the Reggie.

RHS GIRLS DO WELL AT INVITATIONAL MEETS

A number of members of the Revere High girls indoor track and field team have been competing in the various invitational meets that have been held in the past two weeks.

On Wednesday, December 27, junior Liv Yuong placed 8th overall among the field of 39 competitors in the high jump at the MSTCA Holiday Chal-

5) stared down powerful Everett 44-41 in Greater Boston League basketball action at Revere High Friday, January 5.

lenge at The TRACK at New Balance with a jump of 5'0".

The following day, Yuong competed in her first-ever pentathlon at the MSTCA Distance Classic and Pentathlon at the Reggie Lewis Center. Liv finished 11th overall with 2209 points, only about 100 points off the RHS school record. Her individual results were as follows: 1. 55m Hurdles (10.21), 2. Shot Put (21'11"), 3. Long Jump (15'5") 4. High Jump (4'11.5"), 5. 800m 3:14.92)

Other highlights at the Distance Classic included sophomore Gemma Stamatopoulos, who ran the 800m and placed 7th overall with a time of 2:38.40; junior Hiba El Bzyouy ran, who a personal record (PR) in the 1000m in 3:53.33; and sophomore Olivia Rupp, who ran a 6:13.01 in the mile.

This past weekend, senior Ashley Chandler set a school record in the weight throw with a toss of 20'-10" at the Marathon Sports Invitational at The TRACK on Sunday.

"No other RHS female had ever competed in this event before this year, so it's great to see Ashley try and succeed at it," said RHS girls head coach Racquel MacDonald.

At the MSTCA Freshman/Sophomore Meet at Reggie Lewis, three sophomores turned in some excellent times:

-- Olivia Rupp ran a 6:02.86 in the mile, which is only .26 seconds off of her PR;

-- Gemma Stamatopoulos ran a 1:53.07 in the 600m, inching closer to her goal of a sub-1:50; and

-- Danni Hope Randall ran a 48.8 in the 300m.

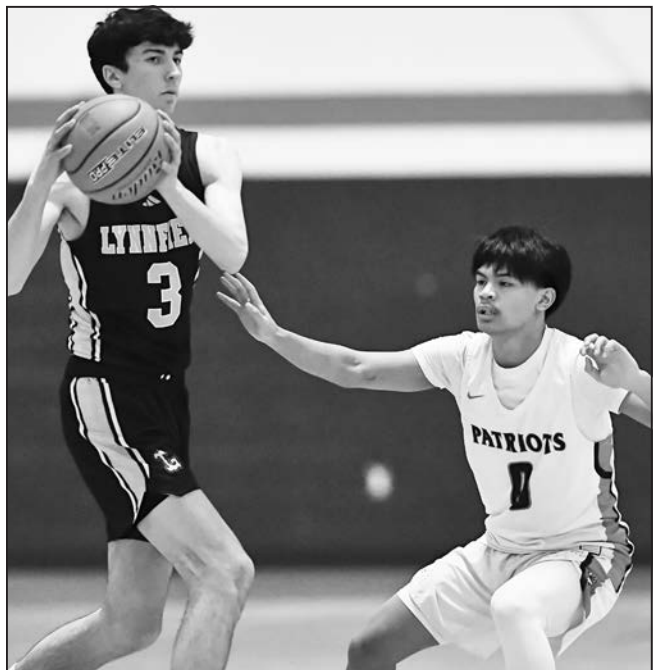
REVERE HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL VS. LYNNFIELD

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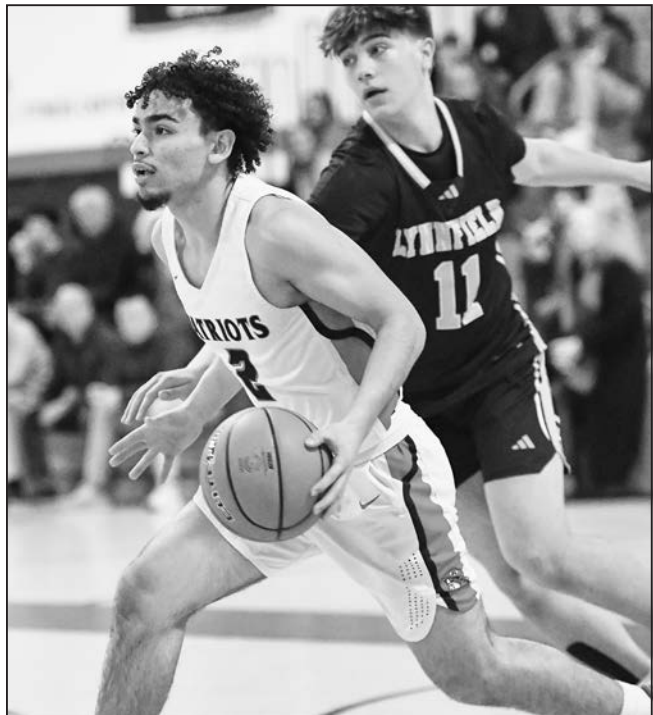
Revere hit an offensive slump in the fourth quarter after leading 28-27 at the end of three periods before falling to Lynnfield



HIGH ALTITUDE: Revere's Sean Burnett (5) reaches for a rebound.



TALL ORDER: Revere's Joshua Mercado holds his ground against Lynnfield's Harris Hadzihasanovic.



ON THE WAY: Sami Mghizou gets past Lynnfield's Harris Hadzihasanovic on the way to two points.



NUMERICAL ORDER: Revere's Ethan Day (13) goes up for a shot between Lynnfield's Alex Fleming (12) and Chris Daniels.



TURNING THE CORNER: Revere's Amir Yamani gets around Lynnfield's Harris Hadzihasanovic.



GUARD DUTY: Ethan Day guards Lynnfield's Grant Neal.



TWO ON ONE: Revere's Erick Mayorga stretches to try and take a rebound from Lynnfield's Chris Daniels as Lynnfield's Alex Fleming stands by.



ROADBLOCK: Andrew Leone runs into a defensive barrier on his way to the net.

RHS SPORTS *Through the Years*

10 years ago
January 8, 2014
The Revere High boys basketball team recorded its second straight victory with a 75-67 overtime triumph at Winchester. The senior duo of Jason Seigal and Mike Ciambelli turned in career-high nights for the Patriots, with Seigal pouring in 30 points and Ciambelli tinging the twine for 29. In addition to his game-high 30 points, Seigal turned in a solid, all-around performance with eight assists and six steals.
The Revere High girls indoor track team raced to its second victory of the season with a 51-35 triumph over Lynn Classical last week. Brenda Rudecindo once again paced the Lady Patriots with 11.25 points by capturing two events, the high jump and the 50 yard hurdles, and running a leg of the winning 4 x 400 relay team. Other Revere girls who took home first place finishes for coach Antonio LaBruna were: Janet DeStefano in the shot-put; Comfort Toglan in the

300; captain Nikki Nelson in the 1000; Jaclynne Dion in the mile; and Suellen Guerreiro in the two-mile.
The Revere High boys track team improved to 2-1 on the season with a 57-29 triumph over Lynn Classical. Tarik Maddrey was a double-winner for coach Sam Ros's squad with victories in the high jump and the 50 yard hurdles. Anthony DeStefano topped the field to pace a Revere sweep of that event. The Patriots also swept the 1000, led by Sebastian Mejia. Other first-place finishers for Revere were: Younes Hartout in the 300 dash; Bounlaing Chea in the 600; Frank Davidson in the mile; and John DellaRusso in the two mile.
The Revere High hockey team turned in an impressive all-around performance in a 4-1 victory over former GBL rival Somerville at Cronin Rink. Goal-scorers for Revere were Cam Whalen, who lit the lamp twice, Steve Noel, and Mike Martorelli.

20 years ago
January 14, 2004
RHS star shot-putter Brad Evans, who holds the Revere High school record and is the first RHS shot-putter to break 50 feet, is undefeated in the Greater Boston League thus far this season, typically winning by margins of more than 10 feet. The boys track team is 4-1 on the season after defeating Waltham and Everett last week.
Vinny Zizzo and Ryan McCarthy scored the goals for the RHS hockey team in a hard-fought 4-2 loss to a top-rated Medford team.
Despite last week's loss to Medford, the RHS girls basketball team received solid performances from Alex DeMattia and Gina Derosa.
Fans of the New England Patriots are high in their anticipation of this Sunday's AFC championship game with the Indianapolis Colts, led by Peyton Manning, at Gillette Stadium. The Pats defeated Tennessee this past Saturday night in frigid conditions at Gillette.

40 years ago
January 11, 1984
Craig Neil scored two hat tricks for the Revere High hockey team this week in a 10-2 trouncing of Chelsea and an 8-4 loss to Somerville. Andy Resciano also notched a hat trick in the Chelsea win.
The rebuilding RHS basketball team dropped a pair of heartbreakers this week, a 66-63 loss in the last seconds to Peabody, the 10th ranked team in Division 1, and a 45-41 defeat to Malden. John Moschella led Revere with 23 points against Peabody and Mike Merullo had 13 against Malden.
50 years ago
January 9, 1974
The RHS basketball team dropped three games this past week. In a 63-54 loss to Quincy, John Burke scored 13 points for the Patriots. In a 76-63 defeat to Medford, Bob Smith led Revere with 16 points. Burke was high man again with 18 points in a 70-60 loss to Somerville.
Shotputter Mike

DeGenova set a new Revere High school record in the shot-put with a throw of 46'-10", but the RHS trackmen dropped a 48-38 decision to Medford. Revere ace runner Dom Finelli continued his domination of GBL foes in the two mile with a first place clocking of 10:00.4, while teammate Mike Doherty also was an easy winner in the mile with a time of 4:46.
60 years ago
January 9, 1964
The 20-game unbeaten streak of the RHS hockey team, which had extended over three seasons, was snapped with a 4-1 loss to Everett. However, coach Jerry Moschella's Blue and White got back on the winning track with wins of 2-0 over Quincy, 4-1 over Chelsea, and 3-0 over Don Bosco. Bill Vigliotti scored two goals in the Chelsea contest. Goalie John Juppe recorded the shutout victories.
70 years ago
January 14, 1954
The Revere High hockey team dropped a 5-3 de-

cision to Gloucester in a game played at the Lynn Sports Arena. Ron Hudson scored all the goals, a hat trick, for the Blue and White.
Coach Bernie Sochat's RHS basketball team remained unbeaten with a 62-50 win over Chelsea and a 65-49 triumph over Everett. Don Smith was the high scorer for Revere against Chelsea with 16 points and against Everett with 23. Archie Mellace added 21 against Everett.
The Immaculate Conception High basketball team continued to shine against its Division 3 Catholic League opponents with a 71-39 romp over St. Columbkille, a 60-35 stroll past Sacred Heart of Newton, and a 51-47 win over St. John's Prep. Ed O'Hara poured in 30 points in the St. John's victory and hit for 20 against Sacred Heart. Bob McCarrick hit for 21 against St. Columbkille's and 19 against Sacred Heart. In a pair of non-league encounters, IC lost to Winthrop, 53-48, and to Dracut, 75-67.



The RHS Football Team with members of Revere PAL at Dandee Donuts before attending the Fenway Park Wasabi Bowl.



Shown above, the RHS Girls' Basketball Team with members of Revere PAL at a recent Boston College Women's Basketball game.

Revere PAL makes it a very merry December for Revere youth

By Melissa Moore-Randall

The Revere PAL (Police Activities League) has been a staunch supporter of Revere's youth and sports programs throughout the years. The League is an anti-drug and anti-violence organization that promotes education, ath-

letics, and career awareness to the at-risk youth population. PAL has also been a supporter and sponsor of many sports tournaments, leagues and events for Revere's youth, middle school and high school students.

The month of December was particularly busy

for Revere PAL. In early December, they took the RHS Boys' and Girls' basketball teams to a Boston College men's and women's basketball game. Last week, The Revere Police Activities League worked with Global Petroleum, the Revere Police De-

partment, and the Revere boys/girls programs, to help organize the Patriot Holiday Basketball Tournament. The tournament was held over two days at the Roland Merullo Field House and included 8 teams (both boys and girls) who played in

MIAA scheduled games. Mike Lally and Global Petroleum's generous donation enabled all players to receive a tournament shirt.

In addition, during Christmas Week, they hosted the Revere High School Football Team at Fenway Park for the Fenway Park Wasabi Bowl

between Boston College and Southern Methodist University.

For more information on how you can sponsor a P.A.L. event or for more information on their programs, contact P.A.L. Director Kris Oldoni via email at koldoni143@gmail.com.

Ira Novoselsky hopes to return Yahrzeit plaques to Jewish veteran families

By Melissa Moore-Randall

For the past five years the Veterans' Home in Chelsea's Jewish Chapel has been storing two hundred Yahrzeit plaques, originally from the former Congregation Tifereth Israel in Revere which closed in 1915. The plaques contain the names of Jewish veterans who died in action and were later memorialized on plaques. . Congregation Tifereth Israel was founded in 1912 by Orthodox Jewish immigrants from Lithuania and closed in 2015 due to a decrease in Revere's Jewish population.

However, as the Veterans' Home continues its

renovations the plaques need a new home, and Ira Novoselsky hopes to return those remaining to the families of the veterans. Novoselsky, a veteran himself, was President of the Shul at the corner of Shirley and Nahant Avenues in 1917 when the building was demolished. The demolition was to make way for affordable housing. Novoselsky removed the 412 Yahrzeit plaques in the sanctuary and gave them to the families of those 200 named.

"When the building was purchased in 2018, I requested veteran's housing be built on the property. One of the early solutions for the unclaimed yahrzeit plaques was to relocate

those of Jewish veterans killed in action to the lobby of the new building. Now that there is a new ecumenical chapel in the new Community Living Center (CLC) that we are using for Jewish Holiday ser-

vices, we have to prepare to remove all items in the Quigley Building Jewish Chapel. This building will be demolished in about 1-2 years. This means I have to pursue the returning of the remaining plaques. At-

tached is the latest list of those plaques we still have to get returned to families. I know there are some that have no family to return these to. I will seek a location that will take them as historical items."

If you are a relative of any of the people named below or have contact information, you are encouraged to contact Ira at ira_novoselsky@yahoo.com.

Max Richard Alpert	Jan. 21, 1968
Samuel Alpert	Jul. 31, 1966
Harry Alpert	Jan. 22, 1976
Myer Barry	Jan. 11, 1967
Dora C. Bell	Jun. 3, 1972
George Bennett	May. 5, 1983
David Blotnick	Jun. 28, 1968
Anna Blotnick	Feb. 8, 1969
Barbara Brown	Feb. 13, 1964
Celia Brown	Jan. 31, 1991
Leah Burns	Jun. 26, 1965
Edith M. Cohen	Aug. 6, 1987
Frank Cohen	Aug. 27, 1978
Jennie Coyne	Dec. 3, 1964
Edward Cutler	Dec. 13, 1969
Alex Davis	Dec. 17, 1964
Anna Edelstein	Mar. 5, 1956
Oscar Edelstein	Dec. 29, 1960
Morris Edelstein	Aug. 9, 1909
Ester Feinstein	Apr. 14, 1977
FNNIE Fox	Jul. 5, 1951
David M. Frank	Jan. 10, 1944
Gertrude Freeman	Jun. 24, 1966
Ronnie Freeman	May. 25, 2000
Julius Ginsburg	Sep. 4, 1965
Josephine Ginsburg	Oct. 28, 1988
Marion Ginsburg	Apr. 9, 1980
Marvin Glazier	Nov. 11, 1960
Ruth Eleanor Goldman	May. 6, 1964
Morris Goldman	Jun. 29, 1967
Frances Goldstein	Feb. 13, 1975
Samuel Gordon	Jan. 14, 1945
Mollie Goren	Jul. 15, 1972
Louis Greenberg	Jul. 5, 1971
Michael Greenberg	Oct. 20, 1964
Joseph Greenberg	Nov. 28, 1980
Rose Haffer	Mar. 7, 1968
Henry Hamilt	Oct. 3, 1963
Abraham Hoffman	Jan. 13, 1967
Ida Hoffman	Oct. 24, 1969
Maurice Isenberg	Apr. 20, 1937
Annie Lillian Isenberg	Apr. 14, 1913
Jack Jacobs	Apr. 10, 1968
Rose Jacobs	Apr. 20, 1978
Reuben Jacobs	

Augusta Jacobs	
Joseph Kalter	Feb. 14, 1980
Dora C. Katz	May. 22, 1982
Jennie Kirstien	Oct. 28, 1965
Sarah Kohn	Feb. 23, 1968
Samuel Kohn	May. 6, 1930
Ethel Koss	Oct. 5, 1961
Celia Larkin	Jun. 26, 1964
Sarah Larkin	Feb. 18, 1938
Jacob Larkin	Nov. 29, 1973
David Leavitt	Oct. 19, 1954
Hyman Harry Lederman	Jul. 21, 1954
Joseph Lerner	Apr. 24, 1962
BettY Lerner	Feb. 18, 1987
Philip Levey	Feb. 1, 1968
Charles Levy	Feb. 1, 1994
Anna Lovensky	Feb. 17, 1972
Melvin Marcus	Dec. 8, 1984
Edward Marcus	Nov. 17, 1964
Lester Markell	May. 3, 1970
Harriet E. Maskell	Jul. 6, 1961
Louis Maskell	Aug. 3, 1939
Louis Massel	Apr. 15, 1967
Rose Masters	Jul. 30, 2025
Annie Meyer	May. 12, 1965
Arthur Meyer	Mar. 6, 1976
Seymore Molin	Mar. 1, 1945
Myer Musman	May. 3, 1979
Max Newman	Jun. 24, 1963
Benjamin Perlstein	Aug. 1, 1942
Rachel Perlstein	Feb. 19, 1944
Holly Plante	1986
Nathan L. Prince	Apr. 14, 1973
Norman Prince	Feb. 9, 1967
Sally Rick	Apr. 28, 1985
Samuel Rick	Jun. 8, 1997
Irving Rosenthal	Sep. 27, 1970
Marvin H. Samit	Nov. 21, 1970
Rose Samit	Jun. 7, 1980
Murray Samit	Jul. 14, 1968
Jacob Schwartz	Jun. 28, 1974
Morris Shapiro	Aug. 11, 1944
Ida Shapiro	Apr. 19, 1935
Fannie Shnaider	Jun. 7, 1964
Louis Shor	Feb. 11, 1974

Joseph Shore	May. 2, 1964
George Shore	Sep. 19, 1965
Leonard Shore	May. 7, 1970
Ethel Shore	Aug. 13, 1987
Hyman D. Shore	Jun. 11, 1982
Max Shultz	Aug. 9, 1965
Sarah Shultz	Feb. 7, 1922
Sayra Silverman	Apr. 24, 1980
Louis Silverman	Jan. 13, 1937
Jennie Silverman	May. 15, 1963
Harry Simon	Feb. 3, 1952
Sadie Simon	Aug. 15, 1960
Nathan Spector	Jan. 9, 1961
Annie Stearns	Feb. 19, 1963
Rose Stepner	Oct. 4, 1968
Samuel Stepner	Nov. 27, 1964
Nathan Stroll	Feb. 13, 1961
Nathan Stroll	Feb. 13, 1961
Sadie Stroll	Jul. 2, 1968
Rose Stroll	Jul. 2, 1968
Ted David Swichkow	May. 16, 1994
Esther Tanner	Jun. 10, 1970
Charles Tanner	Mar. 27, 1985
Edward Toretsky	Mar. 16, 1970
Goldie Toretsky	Jul. 23, 1941
David Wagman	Jul. 10, 1963
David Arthur Wallace	Jan. 11, 1932
Fannie Wallace	Dec. 2, 1976
Jacob Wallace	1914
Tzipie Wallace	1914
Norman Waxer	Oct. 15, 1939
Leah Waxer	Nov. 9, 1949
Benjamin A. Waxer	Nov. 19, 1963
Bertha Waxer	Jul. 17, 1971
Harry Waxer	Aug. 19, 1984
Rosa Weinstein	Jun. 10, 1945
Robert Winikor	Dec. 16, 1971
Jessie Winikov	Feb. 15, 1970
Helen Wolgin	Dec. 15, 1979
Sidney Wolgin	Sep. 29, 1969
Steven P. Yadlin	Apr. 10, 1977
Steven P. Yodlin	Apr. 10, 1979
Ruth Zand	Dec. 20, 1979
Max Zand	Aug. 10, 1965



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Edwards embarks on comprehensive housing tour to address Massachusetts' unique challenges

Special to the Journal

Senator Lydia Edwards recently completed an extensive tour of Nantucket, Hyannis, and Provincetown, hosted by Cape and Islands Senator Cyr, to closely examine the housing challenges facing these areas. Accompanied by local leaders and advocates, the Senator's tour underscored her commitment to understanding and addressing the housing crisis in the Commonwealth, especially in regions impacted by seasonal economies

and soaring real estate prices.

The tour included visits to key locations and meetings with significant stakeholders. Participants included Tom Dixon, a member of the Select Board; Brooke Mohr of the Nantucket Resource Partnership; Brian Sullivan, a Real Estate Agent; Tucker Holland, the current Housing Director for Nantucket; and Kristie Ferrantella, the incoming Housing Director for Nantucket.

Senator Edwards' visit began with a trip on the Hyannis Hy-Line

Cruises, followed by a driving tour of various housing projects. This tour provided a firsthand look at the innovative approaches being taken to address housing needs in these communities.

A highlight of the visit was the tour of the Harbor Hill property in Provincetown. This unique housing development, which includes a range of units from studios to three-bedroom apartments, caters to residents earning between 80% and 200% of the Area Median Income (AMI). With rents ranging

from

\$1,200 to \$2,700, Harbor Hill represents a critical solution for families who earn too much to qualify for traditional affordable housing but still struggle with the high cost of living.

The Senator also engaged in a walking tour of Hyannis Main Street and met with local advocates in Provincetown and the outer Cape to discuss broader housing issues and potential policy responses.

Cape and Islands Senator Cyr, a key figure in this initiative, remarked, "It was a genuine joy to host my friend Senator Edwards in Nantucket, Hyannis, and Provincetown for a housing tour. Senator Edwards did not let any rough seas deter her on-the-ground approach



Senator Lydia Edwards, (left) and other officials toured parts of Massachusetts to discuss the housing challenges facing these areas.

to examining housing challenges in the furthest reaches of Massachusetts. I am grateful she took the time to

listen to Cape Codders and Islanders to understand the

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REP. RICHARD VOKE DEAD AT 76

CHELSEA - Richard Voke, who served as Chelsea's state representative from 1976 to 1996, died on Sunday, Dec. 31, 2023, at Massachusetts General Hospital Boston. He was 76.

Voke was first elected in Chelsea to the House of Representatives in 1976 when it consisted of 240 members. When the governmental body was reduced to 160 members and the Chelsea and Charlestown districts were merged, Voke ran for the seat and defeated Rep. James P. Collins of Charlestown in a hard-fought election.

Voke rose through the ranks and served as Chair of the House Ways and Means Committee and as House Majority Leader. Voke lost a battle for the House speakership to Thomas Finneran in 1996 and decided to step down from his position as state representative.

Visiting hours will be held on Saturday, Jan. 6, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, at Carafa Funeral Home, 389 Washington Ave., Chelsea. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow the visitation at 12:30 p.m. at the Our Lady of Grace Church, 59 Nichols St., Chelsea.

The following are remarks from local leaders and friends on the passing of Richard Voke:

Jay Ash on Richie Voke: A Legacy to Remember

The year was 1993; we were sitting around the strategy table thinking about the best way to frame a campaign ad for his upcoming re-election bid. It became clear to those of us who wanted to see Chelsea State Representative Richard Voke secure his 10th election day victory that all we had to do was let his actions speak for themselves. The resulting ad featured a star on the map of Chelsea for every place Rep. Voke had "delivered" on something, like the new school buildings that were being planned because of his historic legislation to get them all built. There wasn't a neighborhood in the city that had not seen the "results" of Rep. Voke's advocacy, in fact there were so many stars on the ad it looked like the field from an American flag. No matter that he didn't have an opponent; what a great ad it was in that it represented one person's impact on the community he was dedicated to serving.

Reflecting on my 11 years of working for and with the leader people simply called "Richie," there is more than the physical signs of his stewardship that are important to remember now that Chelsea has lost one of our greatest champions. When Chelsea had its greatest needs, it was Richie Voke who came to the rescue, time and again. The tumult of those days only made his resolve even more resolute. He was the protagonist who refused to let Chelsea succumb, the leader who took it upon himself to fight for better for his beloved city and his fellow residents.

Chelsea's schools were failing in the '70's & '80's; Richie Voke stood tall and, in the face of national teachers union opposition, led the effort to initiate a controversial plan to allow John Silber and Boston University to "takeover" the Chelsea

School System. We did not realize then that an even more ominous takeover would be on the horizon, but, with Chelsea city government in chaos and teetering on bankruptcy in 1991, Richie spearheaded the legislation that put the city into "state ordered receivership." That, despite the political angst that swirled from those who had a vested interest in the "status quo" – even if that status quo meant city government would continue to fail its constituents.

I sat in the room as he made those difficult yet courageous decisions. Those rooms were previously taken up by less drastic attempts to head off the dysfunction, but once such widespread "rot" set in, the only way to avoid total collapse was to ultimately go in and carve out that which was eating away at Chelsea's very foundation. The BU/Chelsea Partnership produced major gains in public education; no, not everything was perfect, but the school system has been better equipped and has provided quality education since. Chelsea city government since the four years of receivership? A string of nearly 30 balanced budgets; capable management that has spun-off leadership elsewhere, like our current lieutenant government, and two All-America City national titles and more, are all highlights of the progress Richie Voke enabled Chelsea to later enjoy by his refusal to leave bad enough alone.

Oh, and back to the physical, a renovated library, new police station, new court house, a state data center, rehabilitated public housing, parks that were updated or built new, a Boys & Girls Club, the stopping of the commuter rail (yes, for 25 years, the train didn't stop in Chelsea until then House Ways & Means Chairman Voke threatened to hold up state transportation funding for other projects until it did), and other critical projects came to Chelsea in frequencies that made others envious. For those who remember the Burma Road projects flooding during bad rain storms, you haven't seen people taken out of their units by boat in decades because Richie Voke fought for a \$10 million project to widen the culvert under Route 1. Like so many of the nagging problems that Chelsea faced because of decay or disregard for decades, it was Richie who made those problems go away.

It was my first "real" job out of college, working for Rep. Voke, yet little did I know that my "real" education was just beginning. I learned so much about governing from the statesman who continued his elevation of importance in the Mass House, going from Chairman of Health Care, to the Chairman of Ways & Means, and eventually the House Majority Leader. One of his lines I heard the most had to do with Chelsea's school kids; "I wish I had a big yellow bus to put all our kids in it and drive them around to see the rest of the world," he frequently said. He was talking about helping Chelsea's students to imagine the opportunities to which they had not been exposed, but he was also talking more broadly about helping Chelsea to unlock its fullest poten-

tial. Maybe he even knew that a future Chelsea City Manager was listening and learning, and might some day take Chelsea to even greater successes.

When Richie Voke died this past New Year's Eve, those of us who had such a great mentor and role model began reflecting on all we had learned from him and how much he impacted more than just our lives. So many people, in Chelsea, in his entire district, and throughout the state, benefitted from his fierce and effective advocacy.

A funny thing happened during one of those other re-election campaigns - by the way, Richie won that re-election with the largest number of votes of any of the other 159 state representatives that were on the ballot that year. We were door knocking in Prattville when one of the residents responded to greet the man who had become the second most powerful man in the Massachusetts House. "Richie," he said, "we're all proud of you, but do you think you'll ever be able to become mayor some day?" That was a classic Chelsea encounter; in a world that revolved around Chelsea, being mayor then was the most prestigious post. (At that point, Chelsea's budget was probably \$40 million, and Ways & Means Chairman Voke was responsible for crafting the Mass House's \$25 BILLION budget.) As mayor after mayor found it impossible to live up to that standard, they called upon Chelsea's greatest benefactor, Richie, to produce, and produce he continually did. As the man closed his door, I joked to Richie "doesn't he realize how much more than a local politician you've become." "Jay," he said, "I'm nothing without his vote and not much more with his vote if I don't keep on using the power I've achieved to continue to deliver for Chelsea!"

I learned a lot from him that day and every day that I worked with him. Many of us are still striving to be equal to the courage, wisdom, devotion, and delivery Richie Voke dedicated every day to the position he cherished so much, being a public official representing his beloved Chelsea. We lost a great one, but the great ones leave legacies that make it impossible to forget them. Richie Voke will never be forgotten.

Jay Ash started as an assistant legislative aide with Rep. Voke and rose through the ranks with him to become his staff director in the Office of the House Majority Leader. He left legislative service shortly before Rep. Voke to serve as Planning & Development Director and then Chelsea City Manager. Following a 4-year stint as a member of the cabinet of Governor Charlie Baker as Secretary of the Executive Office of Housing & Economic Developments, Ash went on to his present position, CEO of the Massachusetts Competitive Partnership, a business association of 19 of the state's largest businesses focused on the competitiveness of the Massachusetts economy.

House adjourns in memory of Richard Voke

Tuesday during the conclusion of the first year of the annual session, the House members accepted

a motion placed by House Speaker Ron Mariano and State Representative Judith Garcia that the house adjourn in respect to the memory of former State Representative Richard Voke of Chelsea.

"The passing of Richard Voke leaves a void that resonates across the Commonwealth. His wealth of leadership, marked by a decades-long tenure in the Massachusetts House where he held distinguished roles, like Majority Leader, has shaped the state's political landscape. As we mourn the loss of Mr. Voke, we reflect on the enduring impact of a man whose dedication to service and bipartisanship has become a beacon for myself and future public servants," said State Rep. Judith Garcia.

Speaker of the House Ron Mariano reflects on the passing of Richie Voke

"I knew Richie Voke for over 30 years, and while we were close friends, I was also fortunate enough to work with him on a number of issues and see firsthand how he approached difficult problems. Richie's ability to wade through complicated issues, listen to folks with different perspectives, and ultimately make a sound decision that benefited his constituents, and the Commonwealth as a whole, was unmatched. Throughout my career, especially during challenging moments, I often leaned on lessons that I learned from Richie. On behalf of the entire House, I offer my condolences to Richie's family, and to all those mourning this tragic loss."

Rep. Dan Ryan on the passing of Richard Voke:

"Richie was one of the first elected officials I got to know as an impressionable young voter. His legacy in Chelsea and Charlestown, during pivotal years for both communities, is enormous. Even after leaving office, Richie remained quietly active in helping his former constituency through his involvement with the Boys and Girls Clubs and other endeavors that were near and dear to him. It is truly an honor to have served in the same seat he once represented. His presence is still felt on Beacon Hill and in the neighborhoods for which he staunchly advocated."

Former state representative Gene O'Flaherty on the passing of Richie Voke:

"When I succeeded Richie in the House in 1996, it was very evident of how effective a legislator he was for the district and the Commonwealth. His years of exemplary service improved the quality of life of so many and not just in Charlestown and Chelsea but throughout Massachusetts. His colleagues held him in high esteem, his constituents re-elected him year after year and it's easy to understand why. He was a model public servant. May God rest his soul."

Josh Kraft, former Jordan Boys and Girls Club executive director, on the passing of Richie Voke:

"There would no Jordan Boys and Club in Chelsea without Richie Voke. Thousands of kids and families have been impacted by the club. He's

touched all of them because of his passion and commitment to getting that building built and making a difference for so many. Personally, he was a great mentor to me. I learned so much from him. He's a mentor and a friend, and I will miss him dearly."

PARKING STICKER PROGRAM STARTS

EVERETT - Mayor Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce the official start date for the 2024 Resident Parking Sticker program. Starting Tuesday, January 2, vehicle owners must submit an online application in order to obtain their parking sticker for 2024. Please note there have been a few changes from last year.

After a resident has successfully submitted an online application, they will receive a confirmation email. Once the resident's information is verified, they will receive an additional email to confirm that the order has been successfully processed. The parking sticker will then be mailed to the resident. Residents may apply for up to 4 stickers per online application. Information required to complete the application includes:

- Full Name
- Address
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- License Plate Number
- Name that Appears on the Registration

Resident stickers for 2024 must be obtained and displayed on the vehicle before March 1st. As a courtesy, from January 2nd to February 29th, stickers may be obtained for FREE. The \$10 fee per sticker will be reinstated on March 1st.

Please be advised that in order for a resident sticker to be approved, the vehicle must be registered to the City of Everett and be in good standing. A sticker will not be issued if the vehicle has overdue parking tickets or unpaid excise tax.

For residents applying for a first-time sticker or those with new plates or vehicles, please visit City Hall, Room 13, to apply. Please bring your vehicle's registration and proof of address, such as a driver's license or current utility bill, to obtain a parking sticker.

Please note that beginning on January 2nd, residents of the Lower Broadway area must visit City Hall, Room 13, in order to renew their Lower Broadway sticker and visitor placard. Please bring your registration and proof of Lower Broadway area address, such as a driver's license, current utility bill, or last year's visitor placard to renew.

The following are new changes that will be in effect beginning this year:

- Commercial vehicles must bring their registration to City Hall and pass an inspection to obtain a residential sticker. The vehicle must weigh under 10,000 lbs. and have no more than four wheels to obtain the sticker. Box trucks are not allowed to obtain a residential sticker. The cost of the sticker will be \$300.

- We allow 1-day visitor passes to be obtained at \$5 per pass. Also, you can obtain up to four 10-day parking placards per plate for \$25 per placard. To qualify, you must provide a valid registration and proof of the Everett

address (current utility bill or current lease).

The online Residential Parking Sticker Program application can be found at epay.cityhallsystems.com. For questions regarding the program or the online application, please contact 311 at 617-394-2270 or the Parking Clerk's Office at 617-394-2295 or 617-394-2275. If you have questions regarding your sticker order status, please contact City Hall System at 508-381-5455.

When applying online for the resident sticker, you may receive an email that the system does not recognize the address. In this case, the Collector's office will add the address into the system and then respond to the email notifying the address has been added. At this point, the resident may re-apply for the sticker online.

To apply or for more information, please visit: cityofeverett.com/city-hall/departments/parking/residential-parking-stickers.

MORE EBIKES COMING TO THE STREETS

EAST BOSTON - The cities of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville and Everett, the town of Brookline, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts ("Blue Cross") and Lyft announced plans to integrate 750 next-generation ebikes into Greater Boston's popular Bluebikes program and the renewal of Blue Cross' title sponsorship through May 2031. The rollout will begin with 50 ebikes hitting the street this week; an additional 700 will join the fleet in subsequent months.

The new seven-year agreement between Blue Cross and the municipal owners further cements a dynamic public-private partnership for sustainable urban transportation. Blue Cross will continue its commitment to promoting the overall health and well-being of Massachusetts residents by supporting the municipal owners of Bluebikes in driving system growth and accessibility through initiatives including station expansions, system enhancements and the integration of ebikes.

"This marks an exciting milestone as we usher in the next wave of transportation in Greater Boston with the introduction of state-of-the-art e-bikes," Boston Mayor Michelle Wu said. "Partnerships such as our Bluebikes alliance with Blue Cross are crucial in ensuring our residents have access to healthier, more sustainable, and affordable transportation options. We look forward to continued collaboration with Blue Cross and all our municipal partners as we elevate our bike share system."

"Bluebikes have become an integral part of so many communities in and around Boston, and we are thrilled to continue supporting the system," said Blue Cross President and CEO Sarah Iselin. "We're looking forward to the next chapter of partnership with the cities and towns through the renewal of our Bluebikes sponsorship. Biking is truly one of the best ways to get around, benefiting the environment as well as our mental and physical health. And adding ebikes to the Blue-

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bikes system is an important step toward making biking more accessible to more people.”

The new collection of ebikes is expected to grow the overall Bluebikes fleet to 5,000 bikes across 500 stations by next summer. Funding for the initial purchase of the ebikes came from a combination of municipal investment from Boston and Cambridge, state funding, federal funding by the Boston Area Metropolitan Planning Organization and support from Blue Cross’s sponsorship of the bikeshare system. Together, Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, and Blue Cross will provide support for affordable user costs of ebikes for Bluebikes members.

The state’s largest health plan became Bluebikes’ title sponsor in 2018. Since the inception of the Bluebikes partnership, the municipal owners – in conjunction with Blue Cross – have made investments, received grants and fostered station sponsorships to accomplish system milestones, including:

- Expanding the system from four to 13 municipalities, representing a 225% increase
- Supporting a 333% growth in the number of available Bluebikes and a 150% expansion in the number of Bluebikes stations
- Bolstering the income-eligible program
- Surpassing 22 million rides taken

“The City of Cambridge is proud to support more affordable, sustainable, and healthier forms of transportation and extend what has been a win-win public-private partnership,” said Cambridge City Manager Yi-An Huang. “Bluebikes have become a critical part of Cambridge’s public transportation system and I am excited that the system is becoming even more accessible through the addition of ebikes to the Bluebikes fleet, which will open up the system to more older adults, people with disabilities, and others who may find traditional bikes hard to pedal. It will also create more opportunities for individuals seeking to maximize their time and access to our busy communities, while reducing traffic congestion.”

Lyft’s ebike was named one of TIME’s 100 Best Inventions of 2022. It features a long-lasting battery with a 60-mile range, a user-friendly interface LCD screen, a smoother ride and numerous safety upgrades. Massachusetts legalized Class 1 ebikes, which have no throttle and a maximum speed of 20 MPH, as part of the Transportation Bond Bill last year. Unlike traditional pedal bikes, ebikes aren’t permitted on sidewalks; they can be used on shared paths and bike lanes. Riders must follow all traffic laws and regulations and must bike in the same direction of traffic except on specially marked streets. Riders must always yield to pedestrians, maintain a safe speed and remain aware of all street users of all abilities.

“Somerville takes great pride in our regional, public-owned Bluebikes system, which is already one of the most successful bikeshare systems in North America,” said Somerville Mayor Katjana Ballantyne. “Bikeshare is public transit, and I believe that

affordable, pedal-assist ebikes can improve travel choices for people across the metro region.”

“Bluebikes is getting our newest ebike, which has cutting-edge features that riders love,” said Caroline Samponaro, VP of Public Policy, Lyft. “These ebikes make it easier than ever for people to reach jobs, family, and friends with sustainable, climate-friendly transportation that gets cars off our roads. I want to thank Mayor Wu, all the Bluebikes municipal owners, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts for their continued investment and partnership in Bluebikes. Without them, Bluebikes wouldn’t be the tremendous success it is today.”

The municipal owners have prioritized access and affordability for the new Bluebikes ebikes, which will be available at \$0.10 per minute for Bluebikes members, \$0.25 per minute for Adventure Pass holders, and \$0.07 per minute for low-income residents enrolled in Bluebikes’ Income-Eligible Program. Income-eligible riders are provided a reduced annual fee for Bluebikes. Earlier this year, Boston also announced the Boston Bikes Pass, which is a Bluebikes membership offered only to City of Boston residents at a reduced annual rate of \$60. Learn more discounted Bluebikes rates at <https://www.boston.gov/departments/boston-bikes/discounted-bluebikes>.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS SWORN INTO OFFICE

WINTHROP - The Town of Winthrop conducted its swearing-in ceremony for its newly elected officials last week in the Neil Shapiro Center for the Performing Arts at Winthrop High School.

Town Clerk Denise Quist administered the oaths of office individually to Town Council President James Letterie, Councilor-at-Large Max Tassinari, Precinct 2 Councilor John Munson, Precinct 4 Councilor Suzanne Swope, Precinct 6 Councilor John DaRos, School Committee Members Layne Petrie and Zachary Purinton (Member Gus Martucci received his oath earlier) Winthrop Housing Commissioners Frank Ferrara and Roseann Trionfi Mazzuchelli, and Library Trustees Anne Ferreira, Gary Skomro, and Alyson Casey Dewar.

Marino, Turco offer congratulations to officials

Town Manager Tony Marino, who took office on May 26, 2022, congratulated the newly officials, noting that this was “my first [Winthrop] swearing-in ceremony.”

State Rep. Jeff Turco also offered his personal congratulations to the elected officials who were being sworn-in at the ceremony.

“I just wanted to take a few minutes to congratulate those that are taking their oath again and those that are taking it for the first time,” said Turco. “For those of you that are taking it again, you recognize that your job is often thankless. Sometimes you wonder whether it’s worth the headache or not, but in a town like this, we can’t run the town or the town government without good people being willing to step up and run for office.”

Turco took the time to recognize distinguished guests seated in the audience, former Speaker of the House Robert A. DeLeo, former State Sen. Joseph Boncore, former Council President Peter Gill, former Town Councilor Nick DelVento, Supt. of Schools Lisa Howard, Police Chief Terence Delehanty, and Fire Chief Scott Wiley.

Turco then concluded his remarks with a quote he said he often cites, “Although benevolent men and women cannot do all the good they would, they do need to do all the good they can.”

Precinct 3 Town Councilor Hannah Belcher added, “I’m thankful that my colleagues unanimously put their faith in me to help President Letterie lead the council this year. The council has some tough work to do this session, and I’m excited to continue pushing forward for the benefit of our community. From big ticket items like the fire station to pragmatic, incremental changes that increase participation and transparency, I’m ready to continue to roll up my sleeves and get to work. It is an honor and a privilege to do so in a leadership capacity.”

President Letterie delivers his inaugural address

James “Jim” Letterie was re-elected town council president in November without opposition. He becomes the third president to serve a second term in office, joining Tom Reilly and Peter Gill in that category. The other residents who held the highest elected position in town government are Jeff Turco, Ron Vecchia, Bob Driscoll, Russ Sanford, and Phil Boncore.

Letterie, whose wife, Dawn Letterie, and daughter, Jenna Letterie, attended the ceremony, delivered an inspiring and optimistic vision for the town in 2024 and beyond. Following is the text of President Letterie’s remarks:

“Ladies and gentlemen, distinguished members of our community, esteemed guests, and fellow citizens, welcome to the Town of Winthrop’s 10th swearing in ceremony under this Council form of government.

There are a few individuals that I would like to recognize before I begin... First, Speaker Bob DeLeo, I can go on and on about all Bob has done for his beloved Winthrop, but to try and keep it brief, Bob has dedicated over a half century of service to this town in various capacities, including the longest serving Speaker of the House in the history of Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Bob, I thank you for your wisdom, service and dedication to the town you love. Secondly, Tom Reilly. Tom has also served this town for many years in various capacities including as our first Council President. Tom’s wisdom and mild demeanor was the perfect fit, and his 2 terms gave us that stable foundation on which to build. Thank you, Tom. I would also like to recognize and thank Dave Hubbard for his many years of service to our town including as Town Moderator and his incredible work and dedication to preserving the history of our town. Peter and Richard Gill, you have both always been there with words of wisdom, always putting our town first, and always willing to serve in whatever capacity is needed, I thank you both. Karin Chavis, I cannot even list all the committees, building projects,

EVERETT CITY COUNCIL HONORS OUTGOING COUNCILORS



Four of the newly elected members of the Everett City Council joined the current members for a photo at the Dec. 26 Council meeting, the last session of 2023. Seated is Ward 1 Councilor Wayne Matewsky. From left, are Ward 6 Councilor-Elect Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor-at-Large Stephanie Smith, Ward 5 Councilor-Elect Robert Van Campen, Ward 3 Councilor Darren Costa, Councilor-at-Large Richard Dell Isola, Ward 6 Councilor Al Lattanzi, Ward 5 Councilor Vivian Nguyen, Ward 2 Councilor Stephanie Martins, Ward 3 Councilor Anthony DiPierro, and Ward 4 Councilor-Elect Holly Garcia.

elections, search committees you have served on. Your wisdom, sincerity, thoughtfulness and love of this town is immeasurable. I thank you for all you do and, more importantly, for your friendship.

I also need to thank my family for their support. My wife, Dawn, has always been there, not always willingly, but always there. No one puts their name on a ballot to make friends. There are definitely times when you make decisions that are unpopular or misunderstood, and I am so fortunate to be able to go home and have someone who understands my passion for Winthrop and will take the time to hear me out and understand why and how I feel something will help our town. I appreciate her support more than she will ever know. Jake and Jenna, who were 5 and 3 when I first ran, now 23 and 25, and have grown up understanding the importance of civic involvement and what an important lesson that is. I am so grateful and proud of them every day. Also, my mom, who I’ve thanked every day for over 63 years for always being there.

I would also like to thank these individuals who day in, and day out help make Winthrop a great place to live, work and raise a family.

State Representative and former Council President Jeff Turco, Jeff over the past 14 years you have grown, figuratively not literally, to understand this town and help us in so many ways, I thank you.

- State Senator Lydia Edwards
- Town Manager Tony Marino
- Police Chief Delahanty
- Fire Chief Wiley
- Superintendent Lisa Howard
- Director Calla, and all our incredible department heads
- Former Council Presidents ... Reilly, Turco, Gill, Vecchia, Driscoll, Sanford, Boncore

I must also recognize someone who has done so much for myself and so many others, someone who knows the ins and out of all that is Winthrop, someone that the Town Council would be lost without and that is our Town Clerk, our Council Clerk, basically our Clerk of the Works, Denise Quist.

Today marks a momentous occasion as I stand before you, deeply honored and privileged to assume the role of your Town Council President. As we embark on this journey together, I am acutely aware of the weight of responsibility that comes with this position—a responsibility that extends to each of the nearly 20,000 citizens who call our town home.

In our community, we are not merely a Town Council; we are a col-

lective force working towards a common purpose. Winthrop is a mosaic of diverse perspectives, and as we face the future, we recognize that challenges will inevitably come our way. It is crucial to acknowledge that we may not always agree on the best course of action, but it is in these differences that the potential for growth and progress lies.

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the invaluable town employees who form the backbone of our community. Their dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment contribute immeasurably to the well-being of our town. These individuals often work behind the scenes, but their impact on our daily lives is profound. As we move forward, I am committed to ensuring that our town employees feel valued, supported, and appreciated for their tireless efforts.

My first goal 2 years ago was to hire a town manager that would be that stabilizing influence. Someone who was a blue-collar kind of person, someone who would never ask anything of anyone that he would not do himself. Someone that was a presence that would understand our town and our people. We hit the jackpot with Tony, I thank the Council for their unanimous support, and I thank Tony for just being you.

Our public safety personnel, our guardians, and deserve a special acknowledgment. To the brave men and women who serve on the front lines, ensuring our safety and security, I extend my deepest gratitude. Their commitment to our community goes beyond duty, and we are indebted to them for their courage and sacrifice. Recognizing the incredible need for a modern fire and police station, I pledge to work tirelessly to provide our first responders with the facilities and resources they require to continue their vital work effectively. Although unsuccessful this past fall, I commit we will be ready to present by mid-March, for your consideration multiple options to consider. We will offer MANY opportunities for your questions and FULL understanding of what we are trying to accomplish. It is my wish to have a ballot ready project, fully vetted, transparent, and worthy of your vote by the end of May.

Equally significant is my commitment to education, the foundation upon which our community’s future is built. Our school department plays a pivotal role in shaping the minds and values of our youth. I emphasize the incredible importance of education and pledge to work collaboratively to ensure our schools have the resources, support, and infrastructure necessary to foster an environment where every

student can thrive.

As we navigate the complexities of governance, I want to acknowledge that challenges will arise, and there will be moments when consensus may seem elusive. However, in these moments, we must remember the power of compromise. Compromise is not a concession of principles but a bridge to understanding, a pathway to common ground that ensures the well-being of our entire community.

I extend an invitation to each and every one of you to actively engage in the democratic process. We are a Town Council of nine, but our decisions resonate with close to 20,000 community members. Your involvement, understanding, and perspectives are crucial. Attend town meetings, participate in discussions, and stay informed about the issues which will shape our town’s future. Together, we can build a stronger, more resilient community.

We still have much to do, The old Middle School Site, whether it be a sports complex, a public safety building, a hotel or whatever, we cannot stop moving forward. We have an RFI out, which will be open until late January and has already garnered interest. We are constantly working on that site while remaining focused on any potential impacts to Parks & Rec, as well as the economic vitality and density of the town.

We have the TIP project getting under way in earnest this spring, which will bring disruptions, but ultimately will be a significant improvement that will provide needed infrastructure improvements, better access to the Gorman Fort Banks as well as a very attractive visual upgrade.

We have mitigation agreements with Massport and the MWRA which will be expiring in January of 2025 and we will soon begin the negotiation process.

I say now, as I have said before, we as a Council always appreciate your thoughts, ideas, suggestions and yes even criticisms. We are not perfect, we will make mistakes, but I again guarantee you our mistakes will not be born from laziness, mediocre effort or lack of transparency. I promise 100% effort because that is what you deserve. So let us embark on this journey of collaboration, understanding that our shared efforts will shape the destiny of our town. With gratitude for the past, commitment to the present, and vision for the future, let us work hand in hand to create a town we are all proud to call home. May God bless you and may God bless out beautiful town of Winthrop.

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unique obstacles we face in a seasonal economy with skyrocketing real estate prices. Senator Edwards’ dedication to crafting housing policies that reflect the needs of the whole Commonwealth will provide the Cape and Islands with the policy tools we need to stem our housing crisis.”h

Addressing Senator Cyr’s remarks, Senator Edwards noted “As I traveled through Nantucket, Hyannis, and Provincetown, the diverse housing challenges faced by our communities

became vividly clear. From families caught between the cracks of traditional affordable housing to the unique pressures of our seasonal economy, it’s evident that one-size-fits-all policies simply won’t work. I am committed to working tirelessly to develop nuanced, effective housing policies that recognize and address these distinct needs. Our goal is clear: to create sustainable, affordable housing solutions that strengthen our communities and support all residents of the

Commonwealth.”

Senator Edwards’ visit underscores her commitment to not only understanding the unique challenges faced by different communities in Massachusetts but also to developing comprehensive policy solutions. This tour is a step towards ensuring that housing policies are inclusive and effective, addressing the needs of all residents across the Commonwealth.

LEGAL NOTICE



A-24-01
Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere (RRO) that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday evening, January 24, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Basilio DiFlumeri, 60 Conant Street, Revere, MA requesting the following variances to enable the appellant to convert an existing single-family dwelling to a two-family dwelling at 22 Sullivan Street, Revere, MA 02151:

1. RRO Section 17.24.070 (A) (1) with respect to the requirement that no parking shall be allowed within the front yard in front of the house for a two family use within the RB District;
2. RRO Section 17.24.070 (A) (4) with respect to the requirement that at least 40% of the front yard shall be landscaped for a two family dwelling;
3. RRO Section 17.28.050 (F) with respect to the requirement that no driveway shall be greater than 20 feet in width for a two family dwelling.

A copy of the aforementioned proposed plan and application (A-24-01) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM-5:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before January 16, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Ashley E. Melnik, Clerk City of Revere
Zoning Board of Appeals
01/10/2024,
01/17/2024 R

LEGAL NOTICE



Also see
A-23-08
Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Section 17.52.060 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday evening, January 24, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Olympia

Development Corporation, 1605 North Shore Road, Revere, MA 02151 requesting an additional six-month extension of the one-year exercise period from the Zoning Board of Appeals associated with the granted variances of A-23-08 to enable the appellant to construct a new five-story residential development on the property known and numbered as 791 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151.

A copy of the aforementioned application (A-24-02) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before January 16, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Ashley E. Melnik, Clerk City of Revere
Zoning Board of Appeals
01/10/2024,
01/17/2024 R

LEGAL NOTICE



C-24-02
PUD-24-01
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 9 and 11 of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws, and Sections 17.20.010, 17.20.020, and 17.22.194 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere, that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on January 29, 2024 at 6:00 P.M., in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts 02151 on the application of Parkway Homes Owner, LLC, 300 Washington Street, Suite 850, Newton, MA 02458 requesting a Planned Unit Development special permit and a special permit for the increase in Floor Area Ratio of up to 3.0 within the TED District to enable the appellant to construct a mixed-used development consisting of 250 residential apartment units and 1 commercial unit at 418 Revere Beach Parkway, and 2, 12, 16 Pratt Street, Revere, MA 02151.

Submittals may be viewed in-person in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before January 24, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk
Revere Journal
Check Attached #10007
01/10/2024,
01/17/2024 R

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF
TIER
CLASSIFICATION
GIBSON PARK
RESILIENCY
PROJECT
29 THAYER
AVENUE
REVERE,
MASSACHUSETTS

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase I Initial Site Investigation was performed pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0480. The site has been classified as TIER II pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0500. On 22 December 2023 EKI Environment & Water (EKI) filed a TIER II Classification Submittal with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). To obtain more information on this disposal site, please contact EKI, at 164 Race Street, Holyoke, MA, 413-219-5086. The Tier Classification Submittal and the disposal site file can be viewed at MassDEP website using RTN 3-37877 at <http://public.dep.state.ma.us/SearchableSites2/Search.aspx> or at MassDEP NORTHEAST REGION OFFICE, 150 PRESIDENTIAL WAY, WOBURN, MA, 978-694-3200. Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.
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LEGAL NOTICE



REVERE, MA
INVITATION
FOR BIDS
FOR:
SUPPLY AND
DELIVERY OF
GRANITE CURBING
Bid No:
MUN-2024-1001

Separate sealed bids will be received by the City of Revere Purchasing Agent, Michael Piccardi, at his office, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, prior to 10:00 am on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at which time they will be opened and publicly read. This bid is for the Supply and Delivery of Granite Curbing to various locations in Revere, MA. Specifications and proposal forms may be obtained beginning Thursday, January 11, 2024 electronically from the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, Michael Piccardi at purchasing@revere.org. Revere City Hall office hours are Monday and Wednesday 8:00 am – 7:00 pm and Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Revere City Hall is closed on Friday’s. For additional information, please contact Michael Piccardi, Purchasing Agent at the email listed above.

Each bidder must deposit with their bid, a Bid Bond or a Certified or Treasurer’s check from a Bank or Trust Company or Money Order of not less than five percent (5%) of their bid. The selected contractor shall provide a 50% Payment Bond based on the full amount of the contract price. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or any part of a bid, which in the opinion of the City Purchasing Agent is most advantageous to the City of Revere.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract that the contractor must ensure the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin under Executive Order 11246, as amended. The successful bidder shall be required to comply with Section 3 of HUD Regulations relative to the project area and local concern when applicable and all pertinent Federal and State Laws. The City of Revere is an Equal Opportunity Employer. It is the Policy of the City of Revere to take positive steps to maximize the utilization of Minority Business Enterprises. The City of Revere has established a goal of ten percent (10%) participation of Minority Business Enterprises in all construction projects. No bidder may withdraw their bid within thirty (30) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. This invitation for bid is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30 (39M). Michael Piccardi Purchasing Agent
01/10/2024 R

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION
NOTICE
Docket No.
SU23P2784EA

Estate of:
Louise A. DeRosa
Date of Death:
10/15/2023
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Philip A. DeRosa, Jr. of Hudson, NH The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate,

including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate Court
1/10/24 R

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION
Docket No.
SU23P2624EA
Estate of:
Mark Stephen Smith
Also known as:
Mark Smith,
Mark S. Smith
Date of Death:
05/07/2023
To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Thomas Richardson of Wilmington, NC requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Thomas Richardson of Wilmington, NC be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 02/08/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION UNDER
THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE CODE
(MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the

Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 28, 2023
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Notice is hereby given by McGarvey Towing of 1481 Broadway Saugus, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following abandoned vehicles on or after January 25, 2024 beginning at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keeper’s lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at McGarvey Towing:
1. 2015 Toyota Camry VIN 4T1BF1FK9F0878318
2. 2013 Nissan Xterra VIN 5N1AN0NW3DN815073
3. 2014 Nissan Sentra VIN 3N1AB7AP-5EY283577
4. 2022 Mitsubishi Mirage VIN ML32AUH-J6NH009842
5. 2017 Hyundai Sonata VIN 5NPE34AF-3HH508646
Signed
Stephen McGarvey
Owner, McGarvey Towing
1/10, 1/17, 1/24 R

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION
NOTICE
Docket No.
SU23P2811EA
Estate of:
Norma Diane Musto
Also Known As:
Norma D Musto a/k/a
Norma D Smith
Date of Death:
October 17, 2023
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Stephen A. Smith of Revere, MA A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Stephen A. Smith of Revere, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interest-

ed parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate Court
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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
TO ENVIRONMENTAL
JUSTICE (EJ)
COMMUNITIES
PROJECT: Route 1A South Bound Ramps and Roundabout Project
LOCATION: Route 1A North Shore Road, Revere MA 02151
PROPOSER: City of Revere
Per Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Environmental Notification Form/Environmental Impact Report and submittal requirements for the above-mentioned project, all environmental justice communities must be notified within one mile of the project area adjacent to Route 1A North Shore Road. The Route 1A South Bound Ramps and Roundabout Project seeks to promote local connectivity to minimize traffic impact in the Point of Pines neighborhood and improve access to Gibson Park which is adjacent to the project. The existing ramp system connecting the Lynnway to Route 1A is not effective for circulation to the adjacent neighborhood and is challenging for emergency vehicles to access the area. This project also includes the addition of a shared use pathway for pedestrian and bicycle use. The overall project size is approximately 9.5 acres. A public meeting to discuss this project is scheduled for February 7th, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Revere City Council Chambers, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 The anticipated date of MEPA filing is on or before March 17th, 2024 (Day 90) For questions regarding this project, please reach out to Devin Herrick with Weston & Sampson at 978-532-1900 or by email: herrick.devin@wseinc.com between the hours of Mon-Fri 8AM - 4 P.M.
By City of Revere
1/10/24 R

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate
And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION
AND MAILING
Docket No.
SU23D1050DR
Monica M. Suarez vs.
Juan David Zapata Piedrahita
To the Defendant:

TO G.L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405
Docket No.
SU23P2589PM
In the matter of:
Salvatore Agostino Of: Revere, MA
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Louis Cimmino of Revere, MA and Joseph Agostino of Revere, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Salvatore Agostino is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Louis Cimmino of Revere, MA and Joseph Agostino of Revere, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve With Personal Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 02/06/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 02, 2024
Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate
01/10/24 R

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth
Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family
Court
Suffolk Probate
And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION
AND MAILING
Docket No.
SU23D1050DR
Monica M. Suarez vs.
Juan David Zapata Piedrahita
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The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown The Complaint is on file at the Court.
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Date: December 19, 2023
Stephanie Everett Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE



C-24-01
Also see
C-23-10

PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Sections 17.40.020 and 17.40.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, January 29, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Zoro, LLC, 1040-1048 North Shore Road, Unit B2, Revere, MA 02151 requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council for the reconstruction, alteration, and extension of the preexisting non-conforming residential use and structure for the purpose of constructing a four-story, eleven unit residential apartment building at 1473 North Shore, Revere, MA 02151. A copy of the aforementioned application (C-24-01) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before January 24, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk
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Rep. Giannino presents Citation to Karate gold medalist Anthony Cogliandro

By Cary Shuman

Rep. Jessica Giannino made a surprise visit to the Revere Karate Academy on Revere Street to present a Citation to Anthony Cogliandro in recognition of his gold medal-winning performances in the European Kenpo Championships.

“Representative Turco and I were honored to present Councillor An-

thony Cogliandro with a citation in recognition of his recent victories in the European Kenpo Karate Championships that took place in Rome, Italy,” said Giannino. “Anthony made the United States and Revere proud by bringing home gold medals in both the Adult Black Belt Point Fighting Competition and Adult Black Belt Continuous Fighting Competition. “Revere residents can-

not think of karate without associating it with Revere Karate Academy,” added

Giannino. Opened in 1980, by Anthony’s mother, Doreen

DiRienzo, the Academy specializes in American Kenpo Karate and Point fighting. Anthony, also a

co-owner, has been part of martial arts since he was 2 years old.



From left, Rep. Jessica Giannino, gold medalist Anthony Cogliandro (shown proudly holding the Mass. House of Representative Citation), his mother, Doreen DiRienzo, and his wife, Andrea Cogliandro.



Rep. Jessica Giannino (far right) made a special visit to the Revere Karate Academy to present a Citation to Anthony Cogliandro in recognition of his victories in the European Kenpo Karate Championships. In the photo above, Mr. Cogliandro, who is the current president of the Revere City Council, shares the memorable achievement with his students at Revere Karate Academy.

Paula Andrea Tobon joins Project Bread’s inaugural Council of Experts with Lived Experience

Special to the Journal

Paula Andrea Tobon, of Revere, has joined Project Bread’s new Council of Experts with Lived Experience, which is designed to engage people who have experiences with food insecurity in conversations to shape the resources and policies that directly impact them. Tobon will be among eight inaugural council members who will bring their expertise and co-create programs and policies that make it easier for others living in Massachusetts to access and afford food with dignity.

Project Bread is the leading statewide food security organization in Massachusetts with a radical approach to ending hunger. The nonprofit engages residents, elected officials, and businesses to act against hunger so everyone in the Commonwealth has reliable access to food, using the key lever of policy, pre-



Paula Andrea Tobon

vention and partnerships to implement sustainable solutions to hunger. Through this inaugural 10-month program, Council Members, like Tobon, will have the opportunity to be part of strategy development, planning, and decision-making that will strengthen their leadership skills, build their expertise as a community leader and advocate, and provide significant value in co-creating impactful and effective solutions to food insecurity.

“We firmly believe that hunger can be resolved when we collectively share our strategies, and we work together towards solutions informed by the experiences of the people we aim to serve,” says Project Bread Vice President of Engagement, Catalina López-Ospina, a Colombian immigrant who’s seen food insecurity in her own family and made it a mission in her work. “Our vision is for Massachusetts to become the first hunger-free state in the nation. The Council of Experts will play a vital role in helping us to achieve our vision. With their knowledge, input, and ideas, we are confident that we will make significant progress toward impactful, sustainable, and systemic solutions to end hunger in Massachusetts.”

Tobon emigrated to the United States from Colombia 5 years ago with nowhere to go, without

speaking English and without knowing what was waiting for her. The Revere resident is the mother of three and an International Neuro Linguistic Programmer. She has worked washing cars, driving a cab, in a kitchen, cleaning houses, but she never stopped believing in herself and is now an administrative assistant in a private company. Tobon created and is the owner of Changes, an organization whose purpose is to provide Neurolinguistic Programming techniques to individuals and work groups that lead to success. She will be working closely with Project Bread’s Communications team on various projects this year.

“As an immigrant myself, I am excited to help people in the same situation that I went through,” says Tobon. “Universal School Meals has significantly relieved my fami-

ly’s financial burden. I’m looking forward to expanding my knowledge in the field of personal advocacy to help people and bring the community together for a common cause.”

The Council of Experts with Lived Experience was curated through a self-nomination system. Individuals who speak English, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Haitian Creole were encouraged to apply. Experts are serving from October 2023 through July 2024, and have committed 10 hours of engagement per month. During their term, council members will not only actively contribute to Project Bread’s key organizational projects but also have the opportunity to enhance their community and civic leadership. This will enable them to advocate for their priorities and those of their communities. The nonprofit’s goal

is to empower the community to advocate for effective solutions that meet the needs of all.

This past year, Project Bread led the Feed Kids Coalition in successfully campaigning for the passage of permanent free school meals in Massachusetts, and the nonprofit’s work in schools to expand school breakfast programs and food quality continues. Project Bread is also leading nationally on addressing hunger through the health care system, partnering with health care centers statewide for referrals to their Food-Source Hotline, and individual case management for patients with complex diagnoses facing food insecurity. The Council of Experts will advise on these programs and policies, and more, to increase food security statewide.

For more info, visit: <https://www.projectbread.org/council-of-experts>.

Revitalization program earns prestigious award for social equity

The city of Revere, Massachusetts, Gamble Associates, and omloop received recognition from the American Planning Association – Massachusetts Chapter (APA-MA) for their work on the Storefront and Signage Improvement Program, which supports businesses along Revere’s Broadway corridor. Gamble Associates, the lead architectural and urban design firm on the initiative, accepted the distinguished award for Social Equity at a reception on Friday, December 8.

“Small businesses are the backbone of our City’s economy, therefore we are extremely happy to be able to support them. This recognition not only highlights the importance of the work being done but

sets the tone to continue to seek alternatives and resources to help our local businesses” Says Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr.

To date, three businesses have begun facade improvements following the design engagement, with an additional eight projects in the pipeline for phase one. A second phase of the work, with a dozen new businesses along Broadway and Shirley Avenue, is already underway as momentum for the initiative is building.

Revere, a community deeply rooted in a history of immigration, has evolved into a vibrant, diverse city of over 60,000 residents. The Broadway corridor, a mile-long commercial hub, showcases the rich cultural tapestry of the community, with small

businesses reflecting the heritage and traditions of many cultures, including Central and South American business owners. The Program, spearheaded by the City of Revere’s Department of Planning and Development (DPCD), Gamble Associates, and omloop, is designed to preserve and enhance this cultural diversity while supporting local businesses.

Of the 160 small businesses along Broadway, almost one-third are Hispanic or Latino-owned. Recognizing language and bureaucratic barriers faced by these entrepreneurs, DPCD implemented a site specific approach. The team worked directly with business owners, conducting planning and design workshops in their native languages and on their premises or during normal business hours. This inclusive strategy, complemented by virtual webinars in both Spanish and English, not only bridged communication gaps but also fostered trust and engagement, resulting in a collaborative effort to celebrate the unique characteristics of each business.

“Working directly with the individual business owners in helping to enhance their storefronts and signage has been one of

the most rewarding efforts I have experienced in my many years in community engagement” Says David Gamble, AIA AICP, architect and principal of Gamble Associates that led the project.

The collaboration involved eleven first-round applicants, with one-on-one consultations leading to recommendations for storefront and facade upgrades. The project’s success will be evident in the positive outcomes—increased sales, customer visits, and foot traffic along the Broadway corridor. The award-winning approach demonstrates the effectiveness of context-sensitive design and inclusive community en-



Julie DeMauro, Transportation Coordinator and John Festa, Business Liaison met with Ann Vo, the owner of Seaside Pharmacy who has recently purchased the former flower shop that will be converted into a second location.

gagement in urban revitalization.

Tom Skwierawski, Chief of Planning and Community Development in Revere expressed his appreciation, stating, “This award is a testament

to the resilience and creativity of our community. We are grateful for the partnership with Gamble Associates and the positive impact on Broadway and the city of Revere as a whole.”



Tom DiGregorio, with his son John, pictured in the family-owned and operated auto garage, Broadway Motors, that took part in the program.

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