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COUNCIL APPROVES TRANSFER OF FREE CASH TO HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING FUND

By Adam Swift

The Department of Revenue recently certified just over \$3.6 million in free cash for the city in Fiscal Year 2023.

For the first time, a portion of that free cash will be earmarked for the new Revere High School Stabilization Fund.

Monday night, the city council approved transferring \$366,597, or 10 percent of the certified free cash, into that fund.

“Last year, we did vote to establish a high school construction stabilization account ... but we did not deposit any money into it,” said Richard Viscay, the city’s CFO.

With the recent certification of the city’s free cash, Viscay said the city now has funds to seed that account. He said the goal is to build up a sufficient balance to use that will offset debt payments as the city lets new growth and new revenue catch up to the debt service.

“This is a tool that we are implementing here to try to help facilitate building this high school,” said Viscay.

In addition, the city also approved the previous city ordinances when it comes to dispersing the certified free cash.

“Free cash is a revenue source that results from

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RMA STUDENTS CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY



As part of their Black History Month celebrations, Rumney Marsh Academy hosted Project Misik, to demonstrate traditional music and dances for the students to learn about and participate in. Shown above, Project Misik dancer leads students in a traditional Haitian folk dance in the RMA Gymnasium. See more photos on Page 10.

Police department addresses motorized scooter issues

Motorized scooters, bicycles, and mopeds can cause headaches and worse for city residents, especially during the warm weather months.

At Monday night’s city council meeting, representatives from the police department addressed some

of those concerns and how the city can address them.

“This has been an ongoing problem that started in the last couple of years and has recently gotten worse with the scooters and the motorized bicycles,” said Police Chief David Callahan. “There are some rules and regulations on them, but there are not a

lot. They have to have helmets with the scooters and they have to be registered once a year; but the one thing that I see is that there is no insurance, so if they get involved in an accident and they don’t have a policy, it is a problem.”

However, Callahan said the biggest issues are typi-

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Boutique hotel proposed for Squire Road

A five-story, 104-room boutique hotel proposed for 185 Squire Road has the support of the ward councillor.

Monday night, the council heard from the developers of the hotel, who are requesting a special permit to reconstruct and expand an existing non-conforming building on Squire Road.

Lou Markakis, the

president of the Lynnway Associates Group, said the proposed new owner and developer of the parcel, Jewel Saaed, has been working with city officials, departments, and boards to refine the plans over the past six months.

“This particular plan has been well vetted and scrutinized, and we appreciate the volume of input and constructive criticism we have received from everyone,” said Marakis.

“185 Squire Road is currently a two-story mixed-use building built around 1965 that is currently outdated and underutilized.”

The property is in a Highway Business zone, which allows for a hotel use by right as a permitted use. Markakis said other allowable uses in the zone include gas stations, funeral homes, parking lots, and parking structures.

“What we propose is consistent with the char-

acter of the area and the corridor, and we think it is beneficial to the community as a whole,” said Markakis.

The current plans call for vehicles to come off Squire Road onto Lechmere Street, where they will be met by a valet service. Markakis said there are also plans to operate two shuttle buses for guests 24 hours per day to take them to public transportation, Revere Beach,

and other locations.

Markakis noted that hotels generally provide the highest income for cities, while having the lowest drain on public services.

Ward 6 Councillor Chris Giannino said he has been in contact with developers about the project for the past several months.

“They have been very helpful and very open, and I’m in support of the

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Revere High School’s Model UN Club competes in BOSMUN XXIII Conference

Earlier this month, ten members of Revere High School’s Model UN club participated with nearly 2,000 students from across the continent (including Canada and Puerto Rico) in the BOSMUN XXIII Conference. Held at the Copley Marriott in Boston, the conference is organized by the Boston University International Affairs Association each year.

“The BOSMUN XXIII Conference this year was truly magical; with an increase in participation from students across the country as well as new personal and innovative topics, the research I committed myself to in representing

Ethiopia was so worth it,” said Model UN member Erta Ismahili. “During the event, our World Health Organization Committee focused on mental health initiatives across the world, in which my bloc worked on a resolution that specifically tackled mental health concerns in conflict-stricken, low-income, and agriculturally-based nations.”

Erta earned the “Best Delegate” award by representing Ethiopia in the World Health Organization event during the conference and argued that while many think conversations around solutions for mental health issues must be led by more “developed” nations with

ger healthcare systems, her committee focused on local-level solutions, using education and de-stigmatization campaigns to support those most vulner-

able to mental illness.

“As I’ve competed in

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BELLE ISLE ROTARY CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL POLAR PLUNGE FOR POLIO VACCINES



Revere City Councillor and Rotarian Tony Zambuto is shown with Vera Carducci, candidate for the Third Republican State Committee, election held on March 5. See more photos on Page 15.

Two RHS students win awards at Harvard Model Congress event

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Fatima Baoussouh and Erta Ismahili, two juniors at Revere High School (RHS), were two of more than 1,500 students who attended last weekend’s Harvard Model Congress (HMC) Boston conference, where they both were presented with awards.

Baoussouh won an honorable mention award, while Ismahili won the best delegate award at the four-day conference HMC’s website says is

“the nation’s oldest government simulation conference run exclusively by undergraduates at Harvard College.”

RHS took a total of 28 students to the conference, which has the students involved role-play as different types of members of the government in a plethora of committees and participate in different situations like debates, press conferences, and much more, according to HMC’s website.

“Through a variety of congressional committees

covering a broad spectrum of pressing federal issues, and a diverse collection of Special Program committees highlighting other aspects of the US government, HMC strives to provide a stimulating learning environment that fosters individual growth and group education,” reads HMC’s website.

In addition to its Boston Conference, HMC has conferences in San Francisco, the Middle East, Asia, and Europe.

Further, HMC offers scholarship and mentoring programs, and RHS is considered a mentoring school that allows students to receive preparation for the event and to attend it for free.

While Baoussouh and Ismahili may have had different experiences and won different awards at the event, they both acknowledged that the recognition they received has done wonders for their confidence.

“Winning the award made me feel really accomplished. After receiving the award, I feel like I gained the confidence to do anything else that I was too afraid to put effort into,” said Baoussouh.

Ismahili, who also won

best delegate at last year’s event, not only echoed Baoussouh’s sentiments regarding confidence, but she also thought that it spoke to the power of students in Revere.

“Winning Best Delegate has not only proven to me my own ability to speak with confidence but also the power that students from Revere can possess,” said Ismahili.

“Being able to compete dutifully and win as an RHS student makes me proud and hopeful of the power that Revere students are truly capable of,” she added.

As mentioned the award winners did have different experiences at the event in that they were a part of different committees.

For example, Baoussouh was on the media committee and would go to other committees and interview members to learn about what was going on, eventually writing up some stories.

“It was really fun, and I enjoyed having the freedom to observe anything I found interesting or something I was passionate about,” said Baoussouh.

As for Ismahili she represented Kevin Cramer of North Dakota in the Sen-

ate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee. In her role, Ismahili collaborated with others in her committee to develop bills for two topics — the Homelessness Crisis and Fair Housing.

“I helped create and present bills regarding aid for homeless veterans, as well as supporting a federal down-payment voucher program,” she said.

Ismahili also went in depth regarding her opinion about the importance of collaborating with others and working “across the aisle.”

“I always love the ability to collaborate across differences and truly debate in good faith. While some fellow Senators took the approach of being unwilling to collaborate across the aisle, I found myself engaging with multiple different viewpoints to create truly broad and impactful pieces of legislation,” she later added.

In addition to her work with the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee, Ismahili said she was honored to be chosen to give a speech at the event’s scholarship reception, which can be viewed in its entirety at [https://drive.google.com/](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Nde5NaEnJjq0DdpAznIxnSdD66PwsgiG/view?usp=sharing)

[file/d/1Nde5NaEnJjq0DdpAznIxnSdD66PwsgiG/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Nde5NaEnJjq0DdpAznIxnSdD66PwsgiG/view?usp=sharing).

Ismahili explained that the speech centers on her “experience as a first-generation low-income competitor,” an experience that she described as difficult to navigate.

Ultimately, not only did Baoussouh and Ismahili receive tremendous recognition and enjoy their time at the conference, but there is no doubt that this experience will help them in whatever they decide to pursue in the future.

“Since I was required to talk to so many people, I gained the ability to talk comfortably with people that I’ve never talked to before and keep the conversation flowing. This can be a helpful skill in both my social, academic, and work-life because it will be easier to make connections,” said Baoussouh.

“HMC Boston, and any conference I do in relation to politics and public speaking, has truly allowed me to find my confidence and build the skills I need to serve my community. While I’m unsure of the exact path I want to take, politics is definitely in my future,” said Ismahili.

Scooters // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

cally caused by riders who don’t follow even the minimum of the rules and regulations.

“The biggest problem is they don’t stop for the police,” said Callahan. “We’ve had many instances where we attempt to stop them because they are operating erratically and not following the rules of the road or they are driving on the sidewalks.”

Callahan said it is department policy for the department to not endanger the public and chase the motorized vehicles.

“It’s a challenging issue for us,” said the chief. “We’ve seized a lot of them and stopped people where it is either unregistered or unlicensed or there are other issues with the scooter and they don’t even come and get them. A couple of the local tow companies have dozens of them that are just abandoned.”

Callahan said that as the weather gets warmer, the department will try to do more proactive enforcement to get more of the illegal motorized vehicles off of the streets.

“The larger issue at hand that I see are the scooters during the warmer months, and the mopeds

coming in large groups and driving erratically through the city,” said Sgt. James Rose, the head of the police department’s traffic division. “The issue we are having with them is when we go to initiate the motor vehicle stop, the majority of them are not stopping for the police, which makes it hard for us to enforce.”

Other cities and towns have initiated some measures to help with enforcement, including using drones to track the vehicles, and using unmarked vehicles.

Rose noted that many of the issues are caused by younger riders, so he said the city could work with the schools to provide education and identify potential issues.

Councillor-at-Large Juan Pablo Jaramillo said the city could also look at taking a regional approach to the issue with surrounding communities.

Ward 4 Councillor Paul Argenzio said the police department could also look at stationing unmarked vehicles outside the high school when classes are over and there is typically an uptick on motorized scooters on the streets and sidewalks.



Fatima Baoussouh poses with her Honorable Mention Award.



Erta Ismahili poses with her Best Delegate Award.

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plan 100 percent right now from what I am seeing on it,” he said. “I think it will bring a lot of income for the city and a lot of positives.”

Councillor-at-Large Juan Pablo Jaramillo said he would like to see a third shuttle bus at the hotel for use by residents who live in the area.

Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya said she supports the project, adding that she wouldn’t mind seeing an extra floor with the addition of a rooftop bar.

“I’ve had a lot of people ask about a rooftop bar in the city,” she said.

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna said she


believes the project will be beneficial to the entire city, and help with the revitalization of Squire Road.

Councillor-at-Large Michelle Kelley said she did have some concerns about the size of the project, and would feel better if there was more outreach to the residential neigh-

borhood across the street.

Markakis said the developers would be willing to meet with those residents about the project.

The special permit request will be going before the council’s zoning subcommittee on March 4 before coming back to the full council for a potential vote.



Revere TV
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SPOTLIGHT

The Susan B. Anthony Middle School Drama Club put on their performance of Finding Nemo Junior a few weeks ago. The cast included students in grades six through eight and this was their last performance of the school year. The full play is now scheduled to the Community Channel and posted to YouTube to watch at your convenience. Enjoy the one hour performance on RevereTV as the students put their creative touch on the musical adaptation of the very popular animated movie.

State Representative Jessica Giannino and Mayor Patrick Keefe presented the Photovoice exhibition now set up for viewing at City Hall. Photovoice has participants take photos of scenes that represent aspects of their life and explain how these photos impact and influence their everyday lives. This particular exhibition features some of Revere’s senior citizens living at the Prospect House. Representative Giannino and Mayor Keefe acknowledged the participants in attendance and the video shows off some of their work. Watch this short video now playing on the Community Channel and posted to YouTube, or check the project out in person in the main floor hallway during your next trip to City Hall until April 15th.

In the latest public service announcement for the “In the Loop” series, learn about how the city is currently working to develop their next Housing Production Plan. The HPP will identify our community’s housing needs and establish a vision for the next five years. Additionally, the HPP will include goals and strategies about what types of homes and housing programs would most benefit Revere residents. By taking the survey linked on the flyer in the “In the Loop” recording, you can voice your opinions and help to create a plan for housing solutions that contribute to a healthy, equitable, and prosperous Revere. For more information visit the Department of Planning & Community Development page on the city’s website. You can find this “In the Loop” video on all RevereTV social media accounts and playing in between all programming on all channels on RTV.

This week’s local government meetings include some of the usuals like the License Commission, Board of Health, Zoning Sub-Committee, and City Council. One out of the ordinary meeting was the Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing hosted by the city’s Department of Planning and Community Development. It was about the city’s goals and objectives for utilizing federal grant money and how it relates to the overall annual plan for Revere. This meeting was in the City Council Chambers last Wednesday, played live on RTV GOV, and is now replaying in the rotation with all other meetings. RTV GOV is channel 9 on Comcast and channels 13 and 613 for RCN subscribers.

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the calculation, as of July 1, of a community’s remaining, unrestricted funds from its operations of the previous fiscal year based on the balance sheet as of June 30,” stated Viscay. “It typically includes actual receipts in excess of revenue estimates and unspent amounts in departmental budget line items for the year just ending,

plus unexpended free cash from the previous year.”

The council approved transfers from the free cash to the general fund stabilization fund, capital improvement stabilization fund, Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) trust fund, the affordable housing trust fund, and the water and sewer stabilization fund.

“These transfers will continue to increase the city’s stabilization funds and OPEB trust fund balances,” stated Viscay. “Specifically, the city will have in excess of \$9.8 million in the General Stabilization Fund, \$5.1 million in the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund, \$1 million in the Capital Improvement Trust Fund,

\$1.1 million in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, and over \$1.9 million in the OPEB Trust Fund.”\

WOMEN MAKING HISTORY EVENT ON MARCH 8

On March 8, 2024 the Revere Chamber of Commerce will officially hold its very first Women’s History Month Luncheon event at Sheraton Four Points- Logan Airport (407 Squire Rd Revere) from 12pm – 3pm.

Event Hosts: Amanda Bonasoro (Board Secretary) & Erica Porzio (Executive Director)

Keynote Speakers: (12:45-1:30pm)

- * Jennifer Keefe
- * Dr. Dianne Kelly
- * State Rep. Jessica Giannino
- Buffet style lunch catered by Bono Appetit Meal Prep Co.
- Desserts by Jennifer Keefe
- Raffles

Tickets can be purchased, in advance, on the Chamber website: www.reverechamberofcommerce.org
reverechamberofcommerce.org/events

CITY COUNCIL HONORS LISA CUTTING, OWNER OF OCEANVIEW KENNEL



CARY SHUMAN PHOTO

The Revere City Council, acting on a motion by Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, awarded a Certificate of Commendation to Lisa Cutting, owner of Oceanview Kennel, for her dedication to animals and her availability and assistance to public safety departments in picking up stray dogs and wildlife. Pictured at the award presentation ceremony in the Council Chambers are, from left, Ward 5 Councilor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Lisa Cutting, her daughter, Morgan Burdulis, son-in-law, Jay Burdulis, and City Council President Anthony Cogliandro.

United Way of Massachusetts Bay awards SafetyNet Shelter Grant to La Colaborativa

Special to the Record

United Way of Massachusetts Bay last week announced that La Colaborativa has been awarded a Safety Net Shelter grant to establish a day services shelter to provide case management and wrap-around services through a compassionate, trauma-informed lens to the families being sheltered at the state-operated Cambridge overflow shelter and members of the Chelsea community. The grant was awarded as part of the SafetyNet Shelter Grant Program announced last fall by the Healey-Driscoll Administration in partnership with the United Way of Massachusetts Bay.

Situated at La Colaborativa's new headquarters at 318 Broadway, the walk-in day services shelter is expected to open on Tuesday, February 20. It will accommodate up to 200 individuals on a daily basis. La Colaborativa will arrange transportation for families being sheltered at the state-operated Cambridge overflow site.

The day services center will operate five days a week, from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Intentionally designed to offer culturally familiar, inclusive services, the day services center will offer families and individuals a safe, welcoming daytime space, as well as basic essentials such as coordination of food assistance, hygiene items, infant supplies, clothing, and other basic household necessities.

La Colaborativa will coordinate the provision of culturally familiar breakfast, lunch and snacks, with an eye toward nutrition. Notably, La Colaborativa will employ an innovative, trauma-informed model of comprehensive wrap-around services, with the goal of stabilizing families.

Case managers on site will work with clients to provide economic, immigration and housing ser-

vices, such as preparation of applications for housing programs, immigration support and intensive economic mobility services, including aiding clients in obtaining work authorization filings, providing job readiness programming, and connecting households to employment opportunities. Moreover, through La Colaborativa's comprehensive model, case managers will act as systems navigators, assisting clients accessing public benefits, mental health services, and healthcare systems.

"As we're facing an unprecedented state of emergency, it's critical that all residents have access to safe, dignified shelter, especially over the frigid winter months," announced Gladys Vega, CEO of La Colaborativa. "Recognizing the countless lives at risk, we're grateful to collaborate with the United Way and Healey-Driscoll Administration to deploy our unique, trauma-informed model of providing a culturally familiar, welcoming day center with comprehensive housing, economic, and wrap-around services, which are vital to the wellbeing of homeless families."

"This new SafetyNet Shelter partnership with La Colaborativa will provide opportunities to address the multifaceted issues confronting new arrivals and families confronting homelessness," said Bob Giannino, President and Chief Executive Officer at United Way of Massachusetts Bay. "A longstanding lifeline for immigrant populations and residents of Chelsea, these funds will expand and enhance the capacity of La Colaborativa to provide critical day services for families, expediting exits of families from shelter systems and helping to enable them to stabilize and contribute to our economy and communities as quickly as possible."



Jessica Dorce.



Dumosnel Intervol with his son Pierre Charles and daughter Grais.

Founded in 1988, La Colaborativa is a Latina-led organization that has been a steady, trusted, and fearless partner to Latinx immigrants in Greater Boston, with a focus on gateway cities and towns such as Chelsea, East Boston, Everett, Lynn, Revere, and Malden. The organization works in partnership with Latinx immigrants to design and deliver an array of programs, initiatives, and community organizing campaigns that serve, protect, celebrate, and up-

lift our people. To date, the United Way SafetyNet Shelter grant program has launched eight overnight and daytime sites. The application for the SafetyNet Shelter grant program that is administered by the United Way. It supports prospective community gathering spaces with restrooms and heat, such as places of worship, community centers, and school buildings, to provide safe space for



Owen with his mother Elan and their friend Flo, who is 5 months pregnant.



Michelle with her daughter Magdalena.

families to find short-term, congregate shelter, meals and other basic necessities, and linkages to other supportive community resources such as housing programs, public benefits, health services, and mental health supports. Non-congregate models will also be considered. The flexible SafetyNet Shelter program will remain in place through the winter and spring, adapting to conditions, needs,

and opportunities that arise. The program aims to flexibly build the capacity of diverse community-based organizations and collaboratives to support families without safe and stable housing, with a particular interest in those with the cultural and linguistic competence and community connections that most contribute to the long-term well-being and community integration of families.



The office space at La Colaborativa serves as a cafeteria and lounge for clients along with the organization's administrative operations running concurrently.



The staff at La Colaborativa.

Super Tuesday // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

on the ballot are Chris Christie, Ryan Binkley, Vivek Ramaswamy, Asa Hutchinson, and Ron DeSantis.

Unlike the Democratic ballot, there is competition for State Committee Man and State Committee Woman on the Republican side. Incumbent Paul Ronakaitus is being challenged by Talen John Carvalho, and there is a three-way race for State Committee Woman between Vera Carducci, Rachel Miselman, and Jeannamarie Tamas.

On the Libertarian ballot, Jacob Hornberger, Michael Rectenwald, Chase

Oliver, Michael Ter Maat, and Lars Mapstead are candidates for president.

Polling locations are:

- Ward 1, Precincts 1,2: Beachmont Veterans Memorial School, 15 Everard St., Gymnasium, Bennington Street Entrance
- Ward 1, Precinct 3: American Legion Post 61, 249 Broadway
- Ward 2, Precinct 1: Garfield Magnet School, 176 Garfield Ave., Gymnasium
- Ward 2, Precincts 2, 3, and 3A: Carl Hyman Towers, 50 Walnut Ave.
- Ward 3, Precincts 1, 2, 3: Revere High School,

101 School St., Gymnasium, Fieldhouse Entrance

- Ward 4, Precincts 1, 2, and 3: Staff Sergeant James J. Hill Elementary School, 51 Park Ave., Parking Lot Entrance
- Ward 5, Precinct 1: Point of Pines Yacht Club, 28 Rice Ave.
- Ward 5, Precinct 1A: Jack Satter House, 420 Revere Beach Boulevard
- Ward 5, Precincts 2, 3: Paul Revere School, 395 Revere St., Gymnasium
- Ward 6, Precincts 1, 2, 3: West Revere Complex, A.C. Whelan School, 107 Newhall St., Gymnasium, Sargent Street Entrance

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TUESDAY IS THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

This Tuesday, March 5, is the quadrennial Presidential Primary Election Day when Democrats and Republicans (as well as the members of the Libertarian Party) will have an opportunity to choose their candidates for President.

In addition, although those who are registered as Democrats, Republicans, or Libertarians must vote in their own party’s primary, those who are registered as Unenrolled (also known as Independents) may choose to vote in any party primary.

On the Democratic side, the candidates are President Joe Biden, Marianne Williamson, and Dean Phillips. For the Republicans, the only remaining announced candidates, Donald Trump and Nikki Haley, will be on the ballot.

We would note that there also is a separate line on the ballot for “No Preference.” Although the consensus is that the selections of the major party candidates, Joe Biden for the Democrats and Donald Trump for the Republicans, are a foregone conclusion, voters still have the opportunity to express their overall regard for those candidates by filling in the oval for “No Preference.” Nikki Haley recently was on the Republican ballot in Nevada (Trump was not) and she actually lost to the choice for “None of the above” -- truly a harbinger for her candidacy.

Tuesday’s primary also serves as the election for the candidates for the State Committees (male and female) and the local city and town committee members for each party. The Presidential Primary serves as the once-every-four-years opportunity for party voters to choose the future direction of their party with the election of their state and local party committee members.

Early voting for the primary already is underway. We urge all of our readers either to vote early or on March 5. Every election has consequences and only by voting at every possible opportunity can we express our preferences to our elected and party leaders.

THANK YOU, MAURA SWEENEY DOYLE

We wish to take a moment to offer our sincere thanks to Maura Sweeney Doyle, a native of Winthrop, who announced last week that she will not be seeking re-election to the office of Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) for Suffolk County, a post she has held for the past 28 years.

Although the clerk’s job is elected only by the voters of Suffolk County, the clerk serves the entire state in two important areas. The first is that the office handles all petitions to a single justice of the SJC from throughout the state. Requests for injunctions and other emergency relief, including all petitions for which there is no specific statutory authorization to another court, are handled through the office of the SJC Clerk for Suffolk County.

The other is that the office handles applications for the Massachusetts Bar (every lawyer in Massachusetts is sworn-in by the Clerk of the SJC for Suffolk County, who signs every bar admission certificate) as well as all bar disciplinary proceedings.

Generally speaking, both of these functions are what are referred to as under-the-radar in terms of the public’s perception (although SJC single justices have handled many high-profile matters over the years), and only when there is a mishap do they receive public scrutiny.

However, during Maura’s 28-year tenure as the clerk, there never was even a suggestion of anything improper, which is another way of saying that she performed her job with the utmost degree of professionalism and integrity.

During an era when public service is viewed under a microscope and criticized for everything imaginable (whether fairly or unfairly), Maura Sweeney Doyle epitomized the ideal of a public servant who went about her job day-in and day-out without fanfare and with a deep commitment to serving the public interest.

We know we join with all of our fellow citizens of the Commonwealth in thanking Maura for her three decades of exemplary service and wishing her the best in her retirement years.

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GUEST OP-ED

Reflections on a Fifty-Year Reunion

By Bob Marra, Revere High School Class of 1973

Is it too strong a sentiment to say “love was in the air” September 16 when the Revere High School Class of 1973 assembled at the Four Points Sheraton in Wakefield for its 50th Renunion?

Not romantic love, mind you, but the kind of love that springs from happiness grown from shared experiences and friendships that have endured over the years. The kind of love that warms a hug between people who haven’t seen each other since graduation in 1973. The kind of love that sparks the energy that overcomes achy hips and arthritic knees and keeps the dance floor filled way past the normal bedtime for people fast approaching their 70th birthdays.

Yes, the kind of love that reflects disbelief at how the years are fleeting, and appreciation that we’ve made it this far. Yes, Dr. Seuss: how did it get so late so soon?

We can call it coincidence that over 500 kids were born at a time so that they started first grade in September of 1961 and progressed through the school system in synch until they received Revere High School diplomas on June 4, 1973. But when some 160 of those kids reunite for a night of recollection and rejoicing, it’s so much better to call it destiny, or fate, or karma. For, as the song blared from the DJ’s loudspeaker, ‘we are family...’

Oh, certainly, the cosmetic symptoms of passing time were evident... bald heads, ample waistlines, more wrinkles than we care to mention. But while name tags were

helpful to identify classmates, we intuitively knew one another because those exterior characteristics of aging could hardly conceal the personalities that were unchanged from 50 years ago.

Classmates connected randomly as they roamed through the crowded ballroom. The handshakes and hugs and “great-to-see-yous” imparted a sincerity and gratitude for all that we shared and continue to share to this day. Quick conversations about jobs and life and family always circled back to our days at 153 Beach Street.

Stories of high school mischief were retold with original fervor and ignited boisterous laughter all over again. Favorite teachers, many of them dead now, were recalled with a fondness that wasn’t quite so apparent when the teacher was piling on homework assignments or reprimanding a classroom transgression.

It was heartwarming to realize that we each made some sort of impression on one another. Little things that people remember provide insights of how people remember you, and that’s a good lesson on why you should always try to be nice to people. Yeah, some of us admit that we probably failed that point those years ago.

The reunion organizers were rewarded with an enthusiastic crowd. I wondered whether, when Terry Cox unassumingly was elected Class President back in 1973, did he think for a moment that his responsibilities would stretch 50 years into the future, and beyond? A round of applause to him for his lifelong effort to round up our class every

five years—and for helping make this Reunion one of the largest.

Nearly a hundred of the original class of over 530 students are gone. As their names scrolled on a flat screen, we remembered them in their youth and youthfulness because no matter our age, high school classmates are forever that. In our imagination we remain young and aspiring, daring and foolish, carefree and stubborn. But we also grasp the reality that the number of departed classmates will rise significantly in the coming years. That, too, kindled the kind of love that permeated the 50th Class Reunion, a wisdom, actually, of reality, survival, and mortality.

Was the Class of 1973 unique? We’ve heard over the years and at different venues that our Reunions were more crowded and more spirited than the reunions of other classes. It could be that our intimacy and emotional bonds were formed in the kind of freedom we enjoyed with each other when we were in school. Our daily experience in the 1970s, such as open study periods, unrestrained lunch hours, and--by the time we graduated--a legal drinking age of 18, is utterly alien in today’s world.

During those times of freedom, we hung around with each other constantly. In the summer, we amassed at the Beach, leaning our bicycles against the wall where we idled away those hot days, always together and untethered to parental or administrative oversight. The freedom from supervision helped form a maturity and appreciation of independence. We grew together.

Fifty years later, we’re still inseparable.

I’m not judging whether our school days’ experience was better or worse than today, but it contributed to a trusted connection among classmates that, by the Reunion’s measure, certainly has endured. We tend to agree that our experience was special, and if it was rare, then indeed we were blessed, and we are grateful.

Time keeps ticking, and it flew fast as ever Saturday night. As the Classmates dispersed from the 50th Reunion sometime after midnight, the hugs and handshakes had a pensive feeling, as we wondered not only when, but whether we’d ever see one another again.

Love in the air, at a Class Reunion? Yes, you can say that. And what fun it was to be part of it.

LETTER to the Editor

ON THE BIDEN-HARRIS WHITE HOUSE

Dear Editor,

www.whitehouse.gov/therecord This, Dear Editor, is a listing of what the Biden-Harris administration has accomplished in less than 4 years. In the 02-22-24 “Winthrop Sun Transcript,” you note, “Let’s be clear where we stand: Joe Biden has been a great president and his administration has accomplished more leg-

islation that will benefit Americans than any since Lyndon Johnson’s in the 1960’s.”

You proceed to urge Joe Biden to step aside as the Democratic Presidential candidate because of his age and sometimes “stumbling” during public speeches. However, you appear to agree with me when you further state, “and candidates have to be judged based on what they can do if re-elected.”

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I, for one, vote for any candidate based on their voting records and legislation that gives promise to hard-working American families. www.whitehouse.gov/therecord enumerates the Biden-Harris record with such efforts as:

- Lowering costs of families’ everyday expenses (health insurance, clean energy tax credits, prescription drugs for seniors, \$0 tax increase for families earning less than \$400,000/year.)
- More people working than at any point in American history. 13.9 million jobs created during the Biden administration—7x more than the last 3 Republican presidents combined.
- In efforts to level the playing field, the administration adopted our own Senator Warren’s bill to effect a 15% minimum tax on billion-dollar corporations and a 1% surcharge on corporate stock buybacks. (Most of the Wall Street group who received major tax cuts from former President Trump in 12-2017, used that money to buy back their own stocks.)
- Lowered the deficit with the single largest annual reduction in American history.
- Rebuilding our infrastructure.

- Awarded the most ever Federal contracting dollars to small businesses and disadvantaged small businesses.
- Signed the Electoral Count Act, which takes long overdue steps to protect the integrity of our elections.
- Enacted first meaningful gun violence reduction legislation in 30 years, and signed legislation to put more cops on the beat and invest in community policing.
- More people with health insurance than ever before. Capped seniors’ out-of-pocket prescription drug expenses at \$2,000/year. People enrolled in Medicare will not pay more than \$35 for a month’s supply of insulin, and recipients will receive free vaccines. Lowered the cost of hearing aids by making them available over the counter (E. Warren initiated). Expanded benefits and services for toxic exposed Veterans, and advanced cutting-edge research on cancer and other diseases through the ARPA-H initiative.
- Protecting and fighting to expand Social Security.
- More than 40 million borrowers from middle and working-class families stand to benefit from student debt relief.
- Advancing equity and racial justice, including

historic criminal justice reform. Signed legislation to strengthen the Violence Against Women Act, lifted the “gag rule” protecting reproductive rights, and protected marriage for LGBTQI+ and interracial couples.

- Rejoined the Paris Agreement on day one to reassert US leadership to combat the climate crisis, jumpstarted the American offshore wind industry, and set new policies to reduce super pollutants like HFCs and methane to protect communities and reduce emissions that fuel climate change. Delivering the most aggressive climate and environmental justice agenda in American history. Took action to lower energy costs for families.

I will vote for President Biden again, because through his many years, Joe Biden has gained tremendous amounts of experience and wisdom as Senator, Vice-President, and President of these United States. I vote for a candidate based on his/her voting record. THAT’s what tells me “what they can do if re-elected.” Go to www.whitehouse.gov/therecord to review the Biden-Harris record.

Thank you.
Donna Segreti Reilly



The Boston skyline as seen from the Harbor.

FBHW holding Winter Harbor Cruise

Special to the Journal

How has Boston’s waterfront changed? What types of commerce continues? What challenges do we face along the waterfront?

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heated vessel. FBHW tour guides will discuss the history of the city, its harbor, and how much the waterfront neighborhoods and the harbor continue to evolve – nearly 400 years after the city’s founding.

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at 10:00 AM (sharp) - returning at approximately 12:15 PM. Specific dock location and boarding information will be sent out days prior to the tour.

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Revere man pleads guilty to arson charges

By Journal Staff

Gaetano Cardarella of Revere pleaded guilty to arson-related charges in connection with the arson of a vehicle at 418 Revere Beach Parkway, the for-

mer Lee’s Trailer Park, in November of 2021.

Cardarella pleaded guilty to burning a motor vehicle and two counts of burning personal property.

Judge Michael Doolin

sentenced him to 2-2 ½ years in state prison and two years of probation to follow on an unrelated drug charge, according to the Suffolk County District Attorney’s office.



Carlos Umanzor, Adam Oulgenagui, Raihan Ahmed, Erta Ismahili, Safaa Laroussi, Leah Zuniga, Matthew Terrell, Isha Hassan, Salsabil Mendoza, and Kathy Nguyen at the BOSMUN XXIII Conference.

Model UN // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Model UN for three years now, I truly believe the mentorship and leadership skills I've formed have allowed me to build immense confidence that I will continue to use throughout my life,” said Erta. “Whether it's with class presentations, job opportunities, or other extracurriculars and projects, the research and focus on international relations have pushed me into politics, my AP Seminar course, and even becoming an international correspondent on a Massachusetts student-run paper, "Diplomacy Decoded.”

Revere High’s Model UN gives students the opportunity to explore contemporary issues confronting the nations of the world and to learn research, public speaking, and negotiation skills in the service of developing proactive solutions.

“Committees include those that reflect inter-governmental interaction, crisis simulations, and historical challenges,” said Model UN Advisor Mark Fellows. “This year's participants from RHS served as delegates from Guatemala, Cuba, Burundi, Ethiopia, Tanzania, and Switzerland.”

Topics of discussion ranged from sustainable

climate technologies, improving health and nutrition in Africa, and creating effective mental health initiatives for vulnerable populations to propaganda in social media, diversity and inclusion in the fashion industry, and promoting freedom of expression.

“I participated in this year's BOSMUN XXIII as Cuba in the Social, Cultural, and Humanitarian Committee (SOCHUM),” said sophomore Kathy Nguyen. “The SOCHUM committee was the large-

est committee from this year's conference, as there were over 97 paired delegates. There were delegates from throughout the US and even from international countries who came together to establish a course of action for displaced immigrants. This remarkable opportunity aided in expanding my skill set and allowed me to build connections with other delegates who have the same passion as I do: creating positive change.”

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Lightening up

Business owners come to grips with strict smoking regulations

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Last year, the city filtered smokers out of most diners and coffee shops.

This week, by unanimous vote, the Revere Board of Health passed a stricter smoking regulation that would push smokers out of bars, restaurants and businesses.

Called Clean Air Works, the more stringent regulation would take effect on Aug. 2, just as Democratic National Convention delegates leave the state. The regulation would be an outright prohibition of smoking in all public places, all workplaces and all public transportation vehicles. In the Five City Tobacco Collaborative - which consists of



Revere, Chelsea, Everett, Cambridge and Somerville - Revere was the last city to approve the measure.

"People can't come to Revere anymore to smoke," said Health Agent Nick Catinazzo. "You can't go to Saugus or Somerville or Chelsea, either. It's a good thing."

The new regulations do not allow smoking in bars anymore, which is now only allowed by permit, but it does allow members of pri-

vate clubs to smoke in their bar areas. However, if a club is rented out for a function, members may not smoke where the general public and caterers are allowed.

Many considered Revere's regulation to be a moot point, considering the state began work last fall on passing a statewide Clean Air Works amendment. However, movement on that bill has

'People can't come to Revere anymore to smoke.'

HEALTH AGENT
NICK CATINAZZO

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SCHOOLS

Do it!

Council gives go-ahead to Whelan School project

BY SETH DANIEL
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Wave goodbye to the A.C. Whelan School, because this summer, the elementary school is coming down.

Four years after bonding five new schools, the City Council voted unanimously at its Monday meeting to go out to bid to start construction on the first of five planned schools. The vote was followed by applause and kudos from several interested people in the audience.

Construction on the \$35.2 million West Revere School Complex immediately after school closes for summer vacation in June.

The risks of going out to bid were well documented.

While the city does have a 90 percent reimbursement secured from the state and a pledge from Gov. Mitt Romney to fund all the school projects, there is no cash in hand - and there may not be for a year or more. Combine that with the city's growing debt load and the sad, slow trickle of money coming from the state these days, and there are more than enough reasons to become anxious.

The advantages of going out to bid were just as well known, though.

Proponents say because the construction market is slow, the city could save as much

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CRIME

Stone cold

Thieves steal millstones from construction site

BY SETH DANIEL
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Those who have driven by Slade's Mill on the Parkway have probably seen how the new owner has put his nose to the grindstone by rehabilitating the Mill into a quaint inn.

However, last Friday morning, the grindstone, or as it is more properly called, the millstone, disappeared.

Owner Robert Brooker III reported to police and the Journal last Friday that someone had broken in overnight and stolen two ancient millstones from the grounds and, less importantly, a few space heaters and tools.

The thieves apparently cut the padlock on his gate and brought in heavy equipment to pick up and cart off the big, heavy stones - which are about four feet in diameter and weigh hundreds of pounds.

The loss is incalculable in dollar value and Brooker said he couldn't understand

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POLITICS

Kerry-Edwards highlights primary slate

BY SETH DANIEL
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Believe it or not, a primary election for president of the United States is less than one week away.

Revere voters will go to the polls next Tuesday, March 2, to choose the candidate of

their choice from the Democrat, Republican, Green Rainbow and Libertarian parties.

For the Democratic Party, there are 10 candidates on the ballot for president, although many of those candidates have already called it quits. Nationally, the race seems to be between Massachusetts Senator John Kerry and North Carolina Senator John Edwards.

Democratic voters will also have to choose

their state committeeman and committee-woman. Jeff Turco of Sagamore Street in Revere and Denise LoConte of Winthrop are the only choices in Wards 1 through 5. In Ward 6, Chelsea City Councillor Calvin Brown is the lone choice, while no one is up

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*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.*

Routine meeting for License Commission

By Journal Staff

The Revere License Commission held its regular meeting last Wednesday (February 21) in the City Council Chamber. On hand for the session were chair Robert Selevitch and fellow members Daniel Occena and Liliana Monroy.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Selevitch took a moment of personal privilege to acknowledge the many years of service of former member Linda Guinasso.

"I would like to thank Linda for her years of service," said Selevitch. "She was a great help to me personally. She has done great work for the city and we appreciate her service."

Selevitch then welcomed new member Monroy to the commission.

The meeting entailed a number of routine matters.

The first item on the agenda was a request from Hot Dog Au Au Corp., d/b/a Boss Hot Dogs, 750 Washington Avenue, Gilberto Silva, president & manager, for a transfer of a Common Victualler License from China Crystal, LLC. The requested hours for the business are Sunday-Saturday 4 p.m.-12 a.m. and the requested seating is 24 (the current

seating is 12).

However, Michael Wells, the city's Director of Inspectional Services, asked the commission to hold off on issuing the application because the proper occupancy, health, and fire permits have not been obtained. In addition, Occena questioned enlarging the seating capacity to 24, inasmuch as the interior floor plan shows seating only for 16 patrons. Silva said that the other eight seats would be for outside the premises in good weather.

The commissioners, at Silva's request, then tabled the application until all of the permit and seating capacity issues are resolved.

Ralph DeCicco presented the next application on behalf of the Holy Name Society of Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish at St. Mary's Church, 670 Washington Avenue, for a 1-day License for Malt/Wine, Common Victualler and Entertainment to be exercised on Saturday, March 16, from 5 p.m.-10 p.m. The event is for a St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner Dance in the lower church hall with an expected attendance of 85-95 persons.

DeCicco said the dinner, which has been a year-

ly event, will be catered by a local vendor and the alcohol will be served by the Holy Name members. The commissioners unanimously approved the application.

The next item on the agenda was a request from Tori, LLC, d/b/a Dunkin Donuts, 477 Beach Street, Aly Aly, manager, for a change of manager from Bishal Mainali. Mr. Aly told the commission he has been working with Dunkin' Donuts for nine years and has had previous managerial experience. The commission unanimously approved the application.

Next up was a request from Aksharbrahama, Inc., d/b/a Woody's Liquors, 266 Broadway, Kunal Patel, manager, for the transfer of an All Alcohol Package Store License and Pledge of License from Nilhar Enterprises, Inc.

Attorney Tom Truax of Salem represented the new owners of Woody's. He said that the sellers are financing the sale of the business, which necessitates the pledge of the license. He said Mr. Patel has had 14 years of experience in the liquor business, owns other liquor stores, and is TIPS-certified. Truax said the busi-

ness will operate as it has before with the same employees. He also noted that Mr. Patel has not had any violations with his other businesses. The commission unanimously approved the transfer.

The commission heard a similar request from Premrang, Inc., d/b/a Gio's Liquors, 765 Broadway, Sanjay Patel, manager, for the Transfer of an All Alcohol Package Store License and Pledge of License and Inventory from Gorgio Liquor Mart, LLC.

Atty. Kyle Viera represented the new owners. He said the new owners own other liquor stores, including E-Z Liquors in Revere. He noted that all of the employees are TIPS-certified and there will be no changes in the operation of the business. The commission unanimously approved the application.

The commission received the following communications in the past month:

1. Notification from Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) of a Return of No Action regarding the application for a change of officers, directors, manager, and a transfer of stock for Four Partners, Inc. d/b/a Anto-

nia's at the Beach.

2. Notification from Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) of approval of the application for a change of officers/directors and transfer of stock for Jia Liquors Corp. d/b/a BCM Liquors.

The commission then approved the following license renewals for the coming year.

Entertainment: Café Montecristo, Inc. d/b/a Montecristo Mexican Grill, 364 Broadway Ortez Corporation, Inc. d/b/a Pollo Royal Restaurant, 529 Broadway Common Victualler: Ly Roun & Sereypanha Chhoeurng d/b/a 4 Season Boba Tea, 196 Shirley Ave Kell's Kreme, Inc., 437 Revere Beach Boulevard

Calixto, Inc. d/b/a Bridge Pizzeria, 800 Washington Avenue Café Montecristo, Inc. d/b/a Montecristo Mexican Grill, 364 Broadway Hasbegu, Inc. d/b/a Glen's Roast Beef, 325 Bennett Hwy

Mass. Trips, Inc. d/b/a Esquite, 194 Shirley Ave Mass. Trips, Inc. d/b/a Esquite Taqueria, 1148-1150 North Shore Rd.

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Broadway

Ortez Corporation, Inc. d/b/a Pollo Royal Restaurant, 529 Broadway

Queen Associates, Inc. d/b/a Twist & Shake, 82 Revere Beach Boulevard

Queen Associates, Inc. d/b/a Wicked Eats, 76 Revere Beach Boulevard

Revere Dandee, LLC d/b/a Dandee Donuts, 1141 Revere Beach Parkway

Revere Minute man Wings, LLC d/b/a Wingstop, 5 Everett Street, Unit B

Torretta's Bakery & Café, LLC, 652 Winthrop Avenue

Lujack Corp., d/b/a Dunkin' Donuts, 338 Squire Rd.

Class 2 Motor Vehicle Dealer:

Mario's Service Center, Inc., 977 Broadway

Avetis John Nakashian d/b/a European Exotics Auto Sales, 787 North Shore Road

Serop Rob Nakashian d/b/a Beach Motors Auto Sales, 787B North Shore Road

Charlie's Auto Exchange, Inc., 655 North Shore Rd

The commission then adjourned until its next meeting on March 20.

REVERE Through the Years

10 years ago February 26, 2014

Like many communities in the area, Revere has seen a spike in heroin overdoses over the last month, including a major surge between Feb. 12-18, according to Fire Chief Gene Doherty. However, unlike in the other cities and towns, Revere firefighters carry the anti-overdose drug NARCAN. Revere was the first fire department in the U.S. to do so. In other communities drug overdoses are resulting in death, but in Revere those who overdose are being saved.

More than 500 people descended on Revere Beach last Saturday morning to jump into ice cold water to benefit the Special Olympics. Plungers ran right into the beach water. Most kept on going, but some turned right back after hitting the 39-degree ocean water.

The referendum vote Tuesday on the hotel-casino complex at Suffolk Downs featured a huge voter turnout for a cold day in February, yet produced nearly an identical result as last November, with 7,169 (63.2%) votes cast for the proposed casino complex by Mohegan Sun and 4,172 votes (36.7%) against.

20 years ago March 3, 2004

Federal District Court Judge William Young has ordered a new trial in the matter of a lawsuit brought by a Revere woman of Moroccan descent who is alleging that her daughter was removed illegally from her custody by the Revere Police and turned over to the girl's Moroccan grandparents. The new trial at a minimum will cost the city thousands of dollars in legal fees.

Police are warning residents of a surge in housebreaks in the past week, especially in the West Revere section of the city.

Construction crews have begun work on the project that will include a Target store and a Stop and Shop in a shopping center at Suffolk Downs.

State Senator Jarrett Barrios told the City Council that the state budget will be \$1 billion short in the coming fiscal year, which does not bode well for cities and towns dependent on local aid from the state.

The City Council presented local developer Joseph Festa with a citation recognizing his 50 years as a prime mover of private real estate developments in the city.

40 years ago February 29, 1984

The School Committee is expected to go into executive session next week, reportedly to discuss a "hit list" of school administrators whom the committee may seek to fire. School Board member Hal Ford Abrams last week obtained a list of non-tenured school administrators from School Supt. William J. Hill, whom the committee also is trying to fire.

Fair Share held a meeting attended by 250 residents at which Fair Share gave advice to homeowners about how to fight their new property assessments, which for the first time throughout the state represents 100 per cent valuation of real estate. Some residential property owners have received tax bills with large increases because of 100 per cent valuation, which has been ordered by the Mass. Supreme Judicial Court.

The City Council has approved a \$1.2 million bond for needed repairs to the city's schools including a new roof for Revere High School. Councillor William Reinstein said



The Year was 1984. Winners of the Costume Contest were Tod Parker and James Adams as Motley Crue.

that when he was mayor during the construction of the new high school 10 years ago, he had fought against the type of roofing material that was used, but to no avail and now it must be replaced.

Revere High students are mourning the sudden passing of fellow student Tracy Ciambelli, who passed away in her sleep.

The Beachmont Senior Citizens group enjoyed a festive Valentine's Day party attended by 300 seniors. Marion Gould was chosen as party Queen and Daniel Bruno as King.

50 years ago February 27, 1974

Mayor William G. Reinstein said the city will fall short by about \$1 million in order to complete the new Revere High School,

including furnishings and equipment. Reinstein said he will meet with Harold Turiello, the architect of the new school, to determine why there is an apparent cost overrun of this magnitude.

The City Council voted 6-5 to allow the Squire Club to continue with its strip-tease entertainment license in order to allow the City Solicitor to provide the council with an opinion as to what measures, if any, the council can take to close down the club. The council specifically wants to know whether a proposed dress code ordinance for employees of a business is constitutional. More than 350 residents were on hand for the controversial and highly-publicized public hearing.

Mayor William G. Reinstein has placed a temporary halt to the move by Colonial Cablevision to increase its basic cable rates from \$5.00 to a new rate of \$6.50. The mayor has called for a public hearing on the matter.

Mayor William G. Reinstein said that the City Council's refusal to float a \$1.2 million bond to pay for pay raises for teachers for the next three years will result in an increase on the tax rate of \$12.00.

60 years ago February 27, 1964

City Manager Melvin Taymore has submitted to the City Council a budget of \$8,079,599 for 1964 that would add \$4.00 onto the city's present \$99.60

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Shown in 1984, Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners in Beachmont gather outside of the Church dressed in their best for their First Holy Communion.

OBITUARIES

Virginia “Jeanie” Bolognese
Of Stoneham, formerly of Revere

Virginia “Jeanie” Bolognese of Stoneham, formerly of Revere, passed away on February 21 at the age of 83.

Born in Boston on September 27, 1940 to the late Louis Pisani and Jennie (Colannino), she was the beloved wife of the late Reginald “Reggie” Bolognese, cherished mother of Lynda Cooke and her husband, Michael of Stoneham and the late Dennis Bolognese and the late David Bolognese and the adored grandmother of Nicholas, Jenna, and Bobby. She is also survived by loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

A visitation and prayer service were held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral



Home, 128 Revere St, Revere and a Private Interment took place at Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-9959. For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

Norma A. Pilato

A woman who believed in giving back

A private Funeral Service and Interment were held for Norma A. Pilato who died on Tuesday, February 20 at the Advin-iaCare Wellesley Alzheimer’s Center following a lengthy illness. She was 90 years old.

Norma was born in Boston on June 13, 1933 and was raised and educated in East Boston. She was a graduate of East Boston High School, Class of 1951. She attended one year at Bentley University, where she studied Accounting and Book-keeping. Norma moved to Medford several years later, where she took care of her parents while she began her career. She later built her forever home in West Revere where she lived for fifty years. She worked for several night-clubs in Boston and the North Shore in a book-keeper’s role, and she would go on to manage several nightclubs over the years -- which she did until her retirement in 2011.

Norma was a woman who loved shopping for clothing and pieces for her home. She kept up with all the latest fashion trends, was a true interior designer, and had a natural flair for making everything picture perfect. In addition to decorating her home, Norma took great pleasure in traveling to New York City, dining at some of the nicest restaurants, spending the holidays and other special occasions with her family, watching football (particularly, Tom Brady) every Sunday, watching her favorite silver screen classics on the Turner Classic Movies channel, playing along with game



shows on TV and doing her daily crossword puzzles and word searches in the newspaper and other magazines. Norma was a woman who believed in giving back, and she donated to her church and numerous charities throughout her lifetime.

Norma was the devoted daughter of the late Angelo R. Pilato and Josephine (Mirabile) Pilato and the cherished sister of the late James V. “Sonny” Pilato and his wife, Catherine Pilato. She was the loving aunt of Lori A. Crist, the treasured grand aunt of Gregory A. Crist and his wife, Erin, Richard T. Crist, Jr., and Lisa M. Whiteman and her husband, Michael, and the adored great grand aunt of A.J. Whiteman, all of Peabody.

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

The staff at Vertuccio Smith & Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals is most honored to have assisted the family in completing funeral arrangements.

For online guest book, please visit; www.vertucciosmithvazza.com

Walda Moschella
She and her late husband helped run the
Loganeers Drum and Bugle Corps
for many years

Funeral Services were held privately for Walda M. (Sprigg) Moschella who passed away on February 15th at Chestnut Woods Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center where she has been receiving supportive care. She was 85 years of age.

Walda was born in Boston, the daughter of Mason and Helen (Lang) Sprigg. She was raised in East Boston and remained a longtime resident. She and her late husband, Edward J. Moschella helped to run the Loganeers Drum and Bugle Corps for many years. Although they never had children of their own, together they helped mold the next generation of young adults by being involved with numerous youth groups throughout the years and helping to coach children and guiding them on the right track to a bright future.

Walda enjoyed a career that spanned over 30 years with the Commonwealth



of Massachusetts working in the Highway Division.

She was the beloved wife of the late Edward J. Moschella, cherished sister of Frances H. Sprigg of Revere and the late Joan Kiss, the late Barbara Capone and the late Walter Sprigg. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces and nephews.

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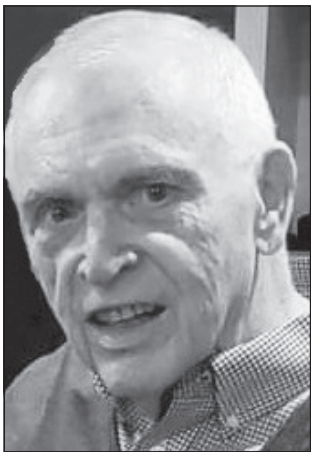
Robert F. Barry
Retired Revere Police Sergeant

Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours today, Wednesday, February 28th from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere for Retired Revere Police Sgt. Robert F. Barry, who passed away on February 24th at 80 years of age.

His Funeral will be conducted from the Funeral Home on Thursday, February 29th at 9:30 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10:30 a.m. Interment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Born in Revere, he was the son of Robert J. Barry and Mildred (Goff) Barry. He attended Revere schools and was a graduate of Revere High School. Following high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves and honorably served for several years. He also furthered his education by attending Northeastern University.

After marrying Maureen E. (Henneberry), the couple settled in Revere and began their family. Robert entered the Revere Police force and worked tirelessly to provide for his wife and son working his way through the ranks. He was appointed Sergeant in 1973. Robert was devoted to serving his community by both working in the police department as well as dedicating his time. He was very involved in Revere Pop Warner and helped with numerous fund raising projects over



the years. One of his biggest accomplishments was helping to raise enough money to install lights at Henry Dello Russo Stadium, which allowed the stadium to host night games. He was also active with Row Row to Revere, not only as a participant, canoeing with his brother Jack, but also by serving on the Board of Directors. Robert enjoyed football and a dedicated fan of the New England Patriots, holding season tickets for many years.

The beloved husband of Maureen E. (Henneberry) Barry of Revere, he was the devoted father of John E. Barry and his husband, Tony Burgess of Wakefield and the dear brother of Jack Barry of Revere. He is also lovingly survived by many cousins.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Childrens Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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tax rate.

City Manager Melvin Taymore has named Lee Alexander Rizzo, 21, of 81 High St., as the new director of the Revere Youth Commission.

The School Committee unanimously has voted to endorse plans calling for a 12-room addition onto the Whelan School and for construction of a new, 24-room school building to replace the gutted Abraham Lincoln School that was set ablaze by a student-arsonist last year.

The Revere Journal reports that City Council member and mayor Peter Jordan finally has paid eight years of back taxes on his home. Journal Publisher Sidney Curtis writes that "because Jordan is a 'big wheel' in the city, his property never was advertised for tax taking by the city, unlike what would happen to an average citizen." Curtis also questions in the editorial why no costs or interest have been added to Jordan's tax bill, unlike everyone else with overdue tax payments.

The Revere Elks this week honored Police Sgt. Edward Leach for his many years of service to the local Elks.

losing their homes. Some pointed out that the new route will bring the roadway closer to the Achenbach School, thereby exposing those students to the carbon monoxide fumes from cars.

A former local couple, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Keevey, who now live in Quincy, were in the U.S. House Chamber when a group of three Puerto Rican nationalists who were heavily armed stormed the Chamber and wounded five Congressmen on the House floor.

80 years ago
March 2, 1944

The War Department has announced that 2nd Lieut. Saul Zelman, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Zelman of 1709 North Shore Rd., is missing in action after a bombing mission over Germany. It is hoped that he is a prisoner of war.

S/Sgt. Michael A. Venezia recently returned home for a visit with his wife and 12 year old son after serving for two years in the Pacific. Venezia has been awarded the Air Medal with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster for having flown 71 sorties against the Japanese as a tail gunner. During one harrowing flight, he and his crewmates bailed out of the disabled plane during a storm. Venezia said he hopes he is reassigned to the Pacific where he said he wants to be among those to deliver the first real blows to the Japanese mainland.

Under the direction of City Auditor Edward P. O'Toole, Red Cross volunteers will be canvassing the city this week in what has been described as the greatest drive in the city to reach a goal of \$7000.

Yet another fatal auto accident has occurred on the Lynnway near the Point of Pines. A Jeep with three soldiers collided with a car operated by a local man. One of the soldiers, a Springfield man, was pronounced dead on arrival at the Ft. Banks hospital in Winthrop.

OBITUARIES

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March 1, 2012

missing you more as the years go by. I guess this always will be the way it is for all parents that have lost a child to heaven,

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LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

ROBERTS RECEIVES COLLABORATION RECOGNITION AWARD

Taryn Roberts Revere was selected as the best person to work with in their Elementary Literacy Teaching and Learning course, taught by Professor Maynard at Lasell University for the 2023 fall semester. Recipients of the Collaboration Recognition Award are selected by their peers for exemplifying superior skills in collaboration by sharing ideas and useful information, communicating in a professional manner, and cooperating in a way to ensure success.

Collaboration is a main objective of the Lasell University mission statement. A key feature of this program is a peer-nomination process at the end of the semester. This intentional experience in collaboration builds on the Core Curriculum learning outcome of Teamwork, which is recognized by the National Association of Colleges & Employers (NACE) as one of eight key competencies of career readiness and research shows that 81% of employers hiring college graduates are looking for evidence of an Ability to Work in a Team.

SNHU ANNOUNCES FALL 2023 PRESIDENT'S LIST

It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following Revere students on being named to the Fall 2023 President's List. The fall terms run from September to December.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Melissa Barrett
Joseph Giunta
Aaron Cleary
Giselda Hernandez
Gianna Pasquale
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shire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with a 91-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 225,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in Manchester, NH. Recognized as one of the "Most Innovative" regional universities by U.S. News & World Report and one of the fastest-growing universities in the country, SNHU is committed to expanding access to high quality, affordable pathways that meet the needs of each learner. Learn more at www.snhu.edu.

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN DEAN'S LIST HONORS AT LASELL UNIVERSITY

The Fall 2023 Dean's List includes students who have completed at least 12 credits as a full-time student in that semester and have achieved a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.

The following local students made the list:

Gabriel Mejia of Revere
Taryn Roberts of Revere

About Lasell
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REGIS COLLEGE'S FALL 2023 DEAN'S LIST

Regis College proudly announces the university's Fall 2023 Dean's List of Revere students recognizing their outstanding academic achievements.

"Being named to the Dean's List is a recognition of a students' semester-long unwavering commitment to their academic program," said Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Mary Erina Driscoll, PhD. "Regis is committed to build-

ing students' character and confidence as they are intellectually prepared for a life and career of meaning through an inclusive and innovative environment. Our students steadfast commitment to academic excellence is reflected in being named to the Dean's List."

To earn a spot on the Dean's List, Regis sophomores, juniors, seniors, and professional studies students must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher; first-year students must have a GPA of 3.25 or higher. Additional criteria can be found in Regis' Academic Catalog.

Amelia Amodeo (Dental Hygiene)
Stephanie Arroyave (Nursing)
Jake O'Keefe (Business Management)
Jasmine Pham (Nursing)

Regis College is a coed university 12 miles west of Boston in Weston, Mass. founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston nearly a century ago. With over 3,200 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students enrolled on campus and in fully online graduate programs, Regis provides an academically rigorous education within the schools of nursing, arts and sciences, business and communication, and health sciences. In line with Regis' mission of providing innovative, industry-focused learning opportunities, the university offers academic partnerships with hospitals and local employers, a clinical dental center in Waltham, Mass., and bachelor's completion and accelerated nursing programs at its campus in Lawrence, Mass. The university's 20 NCAA Division III athletic teams compete within the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC). Regis challenges, inspires, and supports students who are driven by passion, purpose, and a pursuit to positively impact the world within a learning community that embraces inclusivity and innovation and builds strong character, confidence, and careers.

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND STUDENTS NAMED 2023 DEAN'S LIST

The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the Fall 2023

Dean's List. Revere students named to the Dean's List represent nearly all of Rhode Island's cities and towns, all six New England states, New York and New Jersey, and many other states and countries. They include:

Dillan Day
Jackie Gallarelli
Micayla Rossi

To be included on the Dean's List, full-time students must have completed 12 or more credits for letter grades which are GPA applicable during a semester and achieved at least a 3.30 quality point average. Part-time students qualify with the accumulation of 12 or more credits for letter grades which are GPA applicable earning at least a 3.30 quality point average.

The University of Rhode Island is a diverse and dynamic community whose members are connected by a common quest for knowledge. As a global education leader and the state of Rhode Island's flagship public research institution, URI offers its undergraduate, graduate, and professional students distinctive educational opportunities designed to meet the global challenges of today's world and the rapidly evolving needs of tomorrow.

MENDOZA HAS ACHIEVED PRESIDENT'S LIST HONORS

Janaisa Mendoza of Revere is one of more than 215 students who achieved President's List honors during the fall 2023 semester at Nichols College.

President's List recognizes those students who achieve high grades during a single semester. Students whose semester average is 3.85 or higher for at least 12 undergraduate credit-hours and no grades below B- will receive President's List honors.

About Nichols College
Nichols College has earned business accreditation from the prestigious Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International), the longest serving global accrediting body for business schools and the largest business education network connecting learners, educators, and businesses worldwide. Founded in 1815,

Nichols College transforms today's students into tomorrow's leaders through a dynamic, career-focused business and professional education. Nichols offers real-world learning focused on professional depth - combined with vibrant living, competitive athletics, and an unmatched alumni advantage - equipping students to exceed their own expectations.

PEREZ NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST HONORS

Janivel Perez of Revere is one of more than 220 students who achieved Dean's List honors during the fall 2023 semester at Nichols College.

Dean's List recognizes those students who achieve high grades during a single semester. In order to be included on the Dean's List, a student must have a minimum average of 3.5 for at least 12 undergraduate credit-hours and must have received no grades below B- during the semester.

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WPI ANNOUNCES DEAN'S LIST

A total of 2,299 undergraduate students achieved the criteria required for WPI's fall 2023 Dean's List. The criteria for the WPI Dean's List differs from that of most other universities as WPI does not compute a grade point average (GPA). Instead, WPI defines the

Dean's List by the amount of work completed at the A level in courses and projects.

"WPI's academic programs are rigorous and require a level of independence beyond what is required in traditional courses. WPI students work on open-ended problems for communities around the world. The problems are important and the impact is real" said Professor Arthur C. Heinricher. "Some of this nation's best and brightest students come to WPI to study engineering and science and business and the humanities. Those named to the Dean's List have excelled in all of their work, and we are exceptionally proud of these outstanding students."

The following Revere students were named to the fall 2023 Dean's List:

Dang Nguyen class of 2027, majoring in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Nathan Nguyen class of 2027, majoring in Computer Science

WPI, a global leader in project-based learning, is a distinctive, top-tier technological university founded in 1865 on the principle that students learn most effectively by applying the theory learned in the classroom to the practice of solving real-world problems. Recognized by the National Academy of Engineering with the 2016 Bernard M. Gordon Prize for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Education, WPI's pioneering project-based curriculum engages undergraduates in solving important scientific, technological, and societal problems throughout their education and at more than 50 project centers around the world. WPI offers more than 70 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs across 18 academic departments in science, engineering, technology, business, the social sciences, and the humanities and arts. Its faculty and students pursue groundbreaking research to meet ongoing challenges in health and biotechnology; robotics and the internet of things; advanced materials and manufacturing cyber, data, and security systems; learning science; and more.

Atlantic Works Gallery to highlight new member works in March

Special to the Journal

Atlantic Works Gallery (AWG) announced that its March exhibition will be Contemporary Dialogues, a group show of three of the gallery's newest members, Richard Dorff, John Greiner-Ferris, and Joan Ryan. The exhibition examines multiple forms of artistic dialogue, and opens Saturday, March 2 with a reception from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. and closes Saturday, March 30. There will be an AWG traditional "Third Thursday"—the gallery's friendly, cultural community get-togethers—on March 21.

Dorff is a visual artist and set designer who works in sculpture and installation, and in this exhibition his primary interest is with the space his work occupies and how that space and the objects themselves interact with

one another. "By making these connections primarily through lighting and placement, objects and space create installations that extend beyond their own physical dimensions," he explained.

On Saturday, March 23 at 3:00 p.m., in conjunction with Dorff's work, Fort Point Theater Channel, where Dorff is co-artistic director, will present Stations of the XX, a work-in-progress performance piece using sound and movement.

Greiner-Ferris, a politically motivated visual artist who is informed by the theater, combines his love of images and words in assemblage. "You don't lean back in a theater seat and say, 'Entertain me.' For the actors to do their jobs well, the audience has to be just as involved as the actors to give the actors something to respond to,"

he said. "Nor do you walk into a gallery and just look at pictures on a wall. Pictures are something you engage with. The worst thing I could think that could happen to my art is if someone leaves the gallery and says, 'Well, that was nice. Do you want to get some ice cream?' I want people to discuss and fight about art."

Ryan uses painting and drawing as a critical language to explore contemporary society, politics, and concepts of identity. In her most recent works, she incorporates a wide variety of images, cartoons, fairy tales, and political iconography combined with heightened color to confront the viewer at an intersection of a broad range of cultural moments. "This junction of imagery creates dynamic interplay and peculiar juxtaposition with the past and present,"

she said. "We no longer live in a world of neat patterns, and my work imitates the way knowledge often comes to oneself, which is by fits and starts and indirection."

Atlantic Works Gallery Contemporary Dialogues (details)

- Show opens Saturday, March 2; reception 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- "Third Thursday"; March 21, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- Stations of the XX; Saturday, March 23; 3:00 p.m.
- Show closes Saturday, March 30

Atlantic Works Gallery, 80 Border Street, Boston, MA 02128, now in its twenty-first year, is an artist-run collaborative space for art and ideas located in East Boston. The gallery is open to the public every Friday and Saturday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. For private

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Project Misik leads students in dance.



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Sports

RHS SPORTS Roundup

CUNHA IS SECOND IN 300 AT ALL-STATE MEET; PURCIFULL 7TH IN WEIGHT THROW

Revere star trackman JV Cunha came within 0.82 of a state championship at Saturday's MIAA Meet of Champions at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston. The meet featured all of the winners and top time-finishers from the divisional meets held the week before.

JV finished the 600 meter dash in a clocking of 1:21.95, just behind the time of 1:21.13 of Brookline's Cameron Walter. Cunha's time broke his own Revere High record in the event and is the 26th-fastest time in the country this season.

"JV was in third for much of the race, but when he saw the lead runner begin to falter, JV turned on the jets, closed strong, and almost caught the eventual winner. He just ran out of track," said RHS head coach David Fleming.

"This meet is the conclusion to a brilliant indoor season for JV," Fleming added. "In addition to his 600 meter school record, he also set the indoor record for the 400 meters (50.97) and anchored the 4 x 200 meter relay team to a new school record (1:34.02)."

Teammate Medy Bellemsieh won his heat in the 600, but was disqualified for cutting too closely

in front of Central Catholic's Corey Mangione.

"Medy ran a great race," said Fleming. "As usual, he started from the back and waited until the bell lap to make a move. On the final curve, Medy passed Mangione and cut into lane 1 on the straightaway. The lead official said it was a judgment call. There wasn't any contact, but the official made his decision.

"Something like that probably wouldn't be called during the regular part of the season," added Fleming. "Either way, Medy ran extremely well. I love his aggressiveness. He brings his toughness from the football field to the track. I can't wait to see him run the 400 meters this spring."

Kevin Purcifull brought home a seventh-place medal in the weight throw (in which athletes throw a round metal ball, 16 pounds for men, 8.8 pounds for women, that is attached to a grip by a steel wire no longer than four inches while remaining inside a seven-foot diameter circle) with a toss of 50'-3.75", improving Kevin's existing school indoor record by more than six feet.

"Kevin kicked off the competition (each entrant gets four throws) with a throw of 45 feet, which was already a new personal record," said Fleming. "He had a really long

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SCENES FROM THE MIAA ALL STATES MEET AT REGGIE LEWIS TRACK AND ATHLETIC CENTER



Revere's JV Cunha (top photo) is shown on the medal platform at Saturday's MIAA Meet of Champions after his second-place finish in the 600 meter dash. JV finished just 0.82 behind the first-place winner and set a new RHS school record of 1:21.95. In the photo at left, Patriot Kevin Purcifull (far right) receives his seventh-place medal in the weight-throw event in which Kevin also established a new RHS mark with a throw of 50'-3.75".



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Revere Boxing to host first Annual Rumble in Revere

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Revere Boxing will host the First Annual Rumble in Revere. The USA Boxing sanctioned event will be held on April 6 at the Revere High School Gymnasium. The event will highlight student athletes, former RHS alumni, and the rest of the Revere Boxing family that have put in the work who are looking forward to showcasing their skills in front of a packed Revere crowd. The first bout is at 12. Tickets start at \$35. Student Discounts Available! (With valid school ID)

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Any questions or inquiries please email us revereboxingoutreach@gmail.com
There are roughly 20

bouts set in place, 15 of which will be fighters out of the Revere Boxing Gym. There We will be three sets of brothers on our roster. The first sibling duo are former RHS hockey players, Anthony & Chris Cecca. Anthony recently competed at the Lowell Golden Gloves, but was lost in decision after a hard fought battle vs Peter Welch Jr out of Southie.
The next duo from our gym are twins, Anthony and Christian Shurko who are originally from Medford. The twins both recently won their division titles at this year's Golden Gloves Boxing tournament in Lowell. Christian was additionally awarded the tournament's outstanding novice boxer award for the 125lb division.
The third set of brothers are Patrick and Marcklon Peirre. Patrick (26) is

a Malden school teacher with five amateur fights. Marcklon punched his ticket to week five of the finals in this years Golden Gloves, but lost in a decision to Nyno Carey who fights out of Nonantum Boxing in Newton.
According to Joe Singer, "We've were blessed to have Coaches Alex & Andrew Rivera join our Revere Family last year when Somerville Boxing Club closed their doors for their final time.It's been truly amazing having World Class Boxing Coaches like Alex Rivera, and professional Boxers, Rashidi Ellis, Jose Luis Castillo Jr, Greg Vendetti, & Travis Mazac Gambardella work with our Revere Boxing Club. I said it before and I will say it louder for those in the back, Revere will continue to move in one direction, and that's forward."



The 1986 Small Fry Basketball League Champions, the Bulls.

RHS SPORTS Through the Years

10 years ago February 26, 2014

The Revere High hockey team prepped for its appearance in the post-season state tournament with a resounding 8-1 victory over former Greater Boston League rival Everett at Cronin Rink in the final game of the regular season. John Galaitis scored twice for Revere with teammates Kevin Chiles, Marco Mazzarelli, Steve Noel, Joe Ristaino, Cam Whalen, and Rich Polignone all scoring a goal apiece. RHS goaltenders Adam Comeau and Max Anderson shared the duties in the net to earn the victory. Revere, which finished the season at 11-6-3, was set to play Masconomet last night (Tuesday) in the opening round of the Division 2 North Sectional of the MIAA state hockey tournament. Revere is the 11th seed among the 11 teams in the D-2 North bracket and Masco is the sixth seed. Two Patriots, senior captains Brandon Mastropietro and Marco Mazzarelli, were named to the Northeastern Conference All-Star team and played in the NEC all-star game Saturday.

The Revere High girls basketball team concluded its season on a winning note with a 53-52 win over Medford last Monday.

Senior Jen Fajardo turned in a superlative effort in her final game in a Lady Patriot uniform, scoring 18 points and dishing out six assists. Tiphani Harris achieved yet another double-double with 11 points and 15 rebounds. Ally Hinojosa also reached double figures with 11 points, which included a trio of three-pointers. Although the Lady Patriots came up short in their bid to make the state tourney with an 8-12 record.

20 years ago March 3, 2004

Senior Tim McPher-

son scored the hat trick to lead the 12th-seeded RHS hockey team to a 5-1 win over sixth-seeded Bishop Fenwick in an opening round contest of the Division 2 North Sectional of the state hockey tournament. Vin Zizzo and Pat Webber also scored goals for the Patriots. The Patriots next took on Saugus, the number four seed and defending D-2 state champ, but dropped a 5-0 decision. Despite the defeat, the season was a highly-successful one for coach Jim Palumbo and his crew, who reached the state tournament this year after winning just seven games in the past two seasons.

40 years ago February 29,1984

Revere High girls basketball star Amy O'Hara has been named to the GBL girls all-star basketball team. O'Hara averaged 10.5 points and nine rebounds per game.

50 years ago February 27, 1974

The Revere High basketball team closed out its season with losses to Arlington, 79-52, and Winthrop, 72-65. Scott Mandell led coach Dave Curran's squad with a career-high 20 points in the Arlington contest, while Pete Mizzone and John Burke both scored 16 points in the Winthrop game.

60 years ago February 27, 1964

The Revere High football team, which recorded the best-ever record in RHS football annals this past season, departed this week for a four-day educational tour of Washington, D.C. Fundraisers and citizen donations paid for the trip.

70 years ago March 4, 1954

In what is being hailed

as the greatest team effort by any high school sports group in city history, Coach Freddie McDonough's Immaculate Conception High basketball team swept past all opponents to capture the Catholic Class B State Championship this past week. The cagers opened the tournament with a dramatic 31-29 win in the quarterfinals over St. Mary's of Brookline and then defeated Immaculate Conception of Newburyport in the semifinal round, 66-44, and St. John's of Cambridge in the finals, 52-49, on Sunday. The amazing part of it all is that IC was without the services of its leading scorer, Ed O'Hara, who was sidelined with an ankle injury. However, Bob McCarrick picked up the slack, scoring a tourney-record 68 points in the three games, including a game-winning, running hook shot in the final seconds of the quarterfinal contest. John Rocha scored 19 points in the semifinal victory. Immaculate had the smallest enrollment of any of the schools in the tourney. Other members of the team are Pete Dawley, Pete Reinstein, Capt. Paul Redington, Eddie Pitts, Steve White, Neil Harrington, and Frank Meaney.

The Revere High basketball team dropped a 62-43 decision to Archbishop Williams of Braintree in the opening round of the Class A Tech Tournament. Archbishop Williams had won the Class A Catholic title the week before. Pete Houston, known as the George Mikan (the star center of the Minneapolis Lakers) of schoolboy basketball in this area, poured in 40 points for Archbishop Williams. Leading point-scorers for Revere were Don Smith with 13 and Archie Mellace with 11.

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throw that was foul, and then absolutely launched his third throw 50-feet plus.

"Kevin worked so hard this season," Fleming continued. "It was exciting to see him throw well and make it to the podium. He can't wait for the outdoor season to start."

For the RHS girls, Ashley Chandler was the lone Lady Patriot who qualified for the Meet of Champions.

Ashley took 14th place in the weight throw with a toss of 28'-11".

RHS GIRLS HOOP OPENS TOURNEY PLAY

Coach Ariana Rivera and the Revere High girls basketball team opened play in a preliminary round contest in the Division 1 State Tourney last night (Tuesday).

The Lady Patriots, who are seeded 37th in D-1 with a 14-6 record and who were the co-champs with Lynn English of the Greater Boston League, traveled to 28th seed Durfee, which compiled an 11-9 record.

The winner of last night's contest moved on to the Round of 32, where they will meet #4 seed Wellesley at a time and date to be determined.

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FRESH AND LOCAL

Switch It Up!

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Those of us who cook have a roster of dishes we make more often than others. When you dine in or have takeout from a favorite restaurant, you probably have a few dishes you usually order. If you or your eaters find the love for a long-time favorite fading, it may be time to switch it up.

Salad Revision

We often add a favorite arugula and grilled shrimp salad to our order at Piat-tini on Newbury Street. Penny has made it at home several times, but it has yet to measure up to the original. She just can’t duplicate the restaurant’s great balsamic salad dressing. However, she made an excellent replacement salad by switching things up. Penny replaced the

shrimp with grilled sweet chili salmon, the dried cranberries with unsweet-ened dried cherries, and candied pecans with roast- ed pecans. Finally, she created a salad dressing from the remains of the sweet chili glaze from the salmon.

It was not just delicious but seasonal with win- ter fruits and nuts. It was healthier, with less sugar and higher omega-3 fatty acids. It was not as ex- pensive since it used less costly fish and pantry in- gredients. We’re already talking about switching up this salad for spring, sum- mer, and fall using season- al ingredients and seafood from farmers' markets.

Another way to change a salad like this is to take your inspiration from a different culture or food preference. It could be- come Asian and vegan

with grilled tofu, shiitake mushrooms, crispy shal- lots, and a ginger sesame vinaigrette.

How Restaurants Do It

Some items stay, with- out change, on restaurant menus forever and are sorely missed when they disappear, such as the leg- endary Hamersley’s roast chicken. However, many chefs find ways to freshen their menus with seasonal flourishes.

For example, one of our neighborhood hangouts, Little Whale, keeps Ed’s favorites, swordfish, and haddock, on the menu. However, as the seasons change, the sauces and sides offered with these standbys are adapted to use seasonal ingredients. This winter, a side of mar- ble potatoes and roast- ed fennel, sauced with a country mustard beurre



Our spicy grilled salmon, dried cherry, and pecan version of an arugula salad is a favorite busy-day meal.

blanc, has Penny ordering swordfish and wishing that side was offered by itself. Another option for home cooks and restaurant chefs is to change their regular menu to include seasonal ingredients in- tentionally. The local as- paragus season is so short that we will incorporate it into our meals many times a week. We might roast it along with some chicken on a sheet pan. Sometimes, we peel it into ribbons to create a fennel

and asparagus salad that we only eat in spring. In winter, we surround that chicken with roasted root vegetables. Change something as routine as “Taco Tuesday” by brainstorming for oth- er fillings. The taco is just the carrier for the meal. You could choose an Ital- ian sausage, pepper, and onion taco or a pizza taco. Consider ordering from a different taco shop if your tacos are take-out. There are dozens of discussions

online about the best of any food category in the area.

Photos Are Reminders

One good thing about taking photos of our food is that we can check back at what we ate at home and when dining out this time of year. A glance at your pictures from the fall and winter could remind you of a great truffle raviol you had in the past.

Check your photos for meals you’ve enjoyed. Look at current restaurant menus that use local food well and be inspired to try a new take on an old fa- vorite.

Do you have a ques- tion or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.



Sensational Chicken Noodle Soup

All About Soup!

FAMILY FEATURES

Did you know that soup is considered to be one of the first fast foods? It’s true! The history of soup is closely intertwined with the history of cooking, and among the earliest was a version that combined peas, lentils and beans for a quick and easy meal. Since then, soup has evolved into a mealtime favorite that is everything from quick and easy to sophisticated and elegant. During the cold nights of winter, a bowl of hot, nourishing soup will warm you up and satisfy those comfort-seeking taste buds. Wondering where to get started to make a soup from scratch? More than 83 percent of homemade soups feature broth as a base to create a deliciously satisfying dish. The makers of Swanson Broth know that soup is a wonderful treat 12 months of the year, which is why they are offering some of their favorite homemade soup recipes. Sensational Chicken Noodle Soup is a classic and quick soup recipe that only takes 25 minutes from stovetop to table, but tastes like it took all day. It starts with the secret ingredient, Swanson Chicken Broth, and combines fresh celery, carrots and black pepper with, of course, chicken and noodles to create a timeless soup full of flavor. If it’s something a bit more substantial you’re in the mood for, prepare Hearty Beef Barley Soup. A meal in itself, this soup begins with Swanson Beef Broth and is seasoned with thyme, garlic and mushrooms. With the addition of sirloin steak, this soup delivers a hearty and tasty meal in every spoonful. For a soup chock-full of fresh vegetable flavors, start with Swanson Vegetable Broth and incorporate leeks, carrots, celery, turnips and white kidney beans to create Winter Vegetable Bean Soup With Pesto. A simple, homemade pesto offers an unexpected touch to this hot and hearty dish. While the definition of “fast food” has changed over the centuries, soup is certainly a quick and versatile one-pot wonder. So, when you’re craving comfort, treat yourself to a bowl of this wholesome fast food. For more recipes, visit www.swansonbroth.com.



Hearty Beef Barley Soup

Hearty Beef Barley Soup

Prep: 20 minutes
Cook: 40 minutes
Makes: 4 servings

- 2 cups water
- 1/4 cup uncooked pearl barley
- 1 pound boneless beef sirloin steak or top round steak, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 6 ounces mushrooms, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 4 cups Swanson Beef Broth (regular, 50% Less Sodium or Certified Organic)
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
- Generous dash ground black pepper
- 2 medium carrots, sliced

1. Heat water in medium saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil. Add barley. Reduce heat to medium-low. Cover and cook 40 minutes or until barley is tender, stirring occasionally. Drain.

2. Cook beef in 3-quart nonstick saucepot until well browned, stirring often.

3. Add mushrooms and garlic and cook until mush- rooms are tender.

4. Stir in broth, thyme, black pepper and carrots. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 10 minutes or until carrots are tender. Stir in barley.

Tip: Substitute 1/2 cup quick-cooking barley for pearl barley. Cook 12 minutes (or according to package directions) or until barley is tender.

Sausage and Spinach Soup

Prep: 5 minutes
Cook: 20 minutes
Makes: 5 servings

- Vegetable cooking spray
- 1/2 pound sweet Italian pork sausage, cut into 3/4-inch slices
- 4 cups Swanson Chicken Broth (regular, Natural Goodness or Certified Organic)
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves, crushed
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 medium carrot, sliced
- 2 cups coarsely chopped fresh spinach leaves

1. Spray medium saucepan with cooking spray and heat over medium-high heat 1 minute. Add sausage and cook until well browned, stirring often. Pour off fat.

2. Stir in broth, oregano, onion and carrot. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender

3. Stir in spinach and cook 1 minute more.

Hearty Lasagna Soup

Prep: 5 minutes
Cook: 20 minutes
Makes: 4 servings

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 cans (14 ounces each) Swanson Seasoned Beef Broth with Onion
- 1 can (about 14 1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes
- 1/4 teaspoon dried Italian seasoning, crushed
- 1 1/2 cups uncooked mafalda or corkscrew-shaped pasta
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1. Cook beef and garlic in 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat until beef is well browned, stirring often. Pour off fat.

2. Stir broth, tomatoes and Italian seasoning into skillet. Heat to a boil.

3. Stir in pasta. Cook over medium heat 10 minutes or until pasta is tender. Stir in cheese. Serve with additional cheese if desired.

Winter Vegetable Bean Soup With Pesto

Prep: 25 minutes
Cook: 30 minutes
Makes: 10 servings

- 2 medium carrots, diced
- 3 medium potatoes, peeled
- 1 medium turnip, peeled and diced
- 2 large leeks, sliced
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- 5 1/4 cups Swanson Vegetable Broth (regular or Certified Organic)
- 1 can (about 19 ounces) white kidney beans (cannellini), rinsed and drained
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- Easy Basil Pesto (recipe follows)

1. Heat carrots, potatoes, turnip, leeks, celery and 1 3/4 cups broth in large saucepot over medium-high heat to a boil.

2. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 15 minutes or until vegetables are tender-crisp.

3. Reserve 1/2 cup broth for Easy Basil Pesto. Stir remaining broth, beans, bay leaf and red pepper into saucepot. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cook 15 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Remove bay leaf. Serve topped with Easy Basil Pesto.

Easy Basil Pesto: Mix 2 cups packed fresh basil leaves, 3 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, 3 cloves garlic and 1/2 cup reserved broth in food processor bowl or blender jar. Cover and process until smooth.

Sensational Chicken Noodle Soup

Prep: 5 minutes
Cook: 25 minutes
Makes: 4 servings

- 4 cups Swanson Chicken Broth (regular, Natural Goodness or Certified Organic)
- Generous dash ground black pepper
- 1 medium carrot, sliced
- 1 stalk celery, sliced
- 1/2 cup uncooked extra wide egg noodles
- 1 cup shredded cooked chicken or turkey

1. Heat broth, pepper, carrot and celery in medium saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil.

2. Stir in noodles and chicken. Reduce heat to medium. Cook 10 minutes or until noodles are tender.

Asian Soup: Add 2 green onions cut into 1/2-inch pieces; 1 clove garlic, minced; 1 teaspoon ground ginger and 2 teaspoons soy sauce. Substitute uncooked curly Asian noodles for egg noodles.

Mexican Soup: Add 1/2 cup Pace Chunky Salsa; 1 clove garlic, minced; 1 cup rinsed and drained black beans and 1/2 teaspoon chili powder. Substitute 2 corn tortillas (4 or 6-inch) cut into thin strips for noodles, adding just before serving.

Italian Tortellini Soup: Add 1 can (about 14 1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, drained; 1 clove garlic, minced; 1 teaspoon dried Italian seasoning, crushed and 1 cup spinach leaves. Substitute 1/2 cup frozen cheese tortellini for egg noodles. Serve with grated Parmesan cheese.

Savory Lentil Soup

Prep: 25 minutes
Cook: 35 minutes
Makes: 10 servings

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 fennel bulb, chopped
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 large carrot, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 4 medium Italian plum tomatoes, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 8 cups Swanson Chicken Broth (regular, Natural Goodness or Certified Organic)
- 1 bag (16 ounces) dried lentils, rinsed
- 2 cups coarsely chopped watercress
- Freshly grated Parmesan cheese (optional)

1. Heat oil in large saucepot over medium heat. Add fennel, onion, carrot and celery and cook until tender.

2. Stir in tomatoes, garlic, red pepper, bay leaf, broth and lentils. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 25 minutes or until lentils are tender. Discard bay leaf.

3. Stir in watercress and cook 2 minutes. Serve with cheese, if desired.

Winter Vegetable Bean Soup With Pesto



March service changes on the T: MBTA continues repair work to improve reliability across the system

The MBTA has announced service changes in March on the Green, Red, Orange, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, Framingham/Worcester, Haverhill, and Newburyport/Rockport lines. The MBTA will continue working to maintain its infrastructure and improve reliability across the system for riders.

Riders can find more information on service changes through in-station signage, in-station public announcements, and at mbta.com/alerts. Transit Ambassadors and MBTA staff will be available on-site to offer information and assistance during these service changes. Riders are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts or to follow the MBTA on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA, @MBTA_CR, and @MBTA_CR_Alerts for up-to-date service information.

On the Green Line:

- As previously announced, Green Line service on the B branch between Copley and Babcock Street, on the C branch between Copley and Cleveland Circle, and on the D branch between Copley and Brookline Hills will be suspended all day from start to end of service for 18 days from February 20-March 8.

A page with dedicated information for riders is available at mbta.com/GreenLine.

B Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will operate between Babcock Street and Copley stations.

§ Riders should note that shuttle bus service will not be available at Blandford Street station in both directions and should instead utilize shuttle bus service at the next nearest stop.

§ Outbound B branch riders will not be charged a fare at Babcock Street (outbound/westbound only).

§ There will be free fares at Copley Station with the fare gates open.

§ Riders can also utilize free Route 57 bus service for alternate travel between Kenmore and Packard's Corner.

C Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will operate between Cleveland Circle and Copley stations.

§ Riders should note that shuttle bus service will not be available at Saint Mary's Street, Kent Street, or Brandon Hall in both directions and should instead utilize shuttle bus service at the next nearest stop.

§ There will be free fares at Copley Station with the fare gates open.

D Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will operate between Brookline Hills and Copley stations.

§ Riders are encouraged to consider walking 5-10 minutes from Brookline Hills and Brookline Village to Riverway station on the E branch for Green Line train service.

§ Outbound D branch riders will not be charged a fare at Brookline Hills (outbound/westbound only).

§ There will be free fares at Copley Station with the fare gates open.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between South Station, Back Bay, and Lansdowne stations during this Green Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Lansdowne.

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As a result of this service change, riders traveling on Green Line trains between Government Center and Copley are encouraged to plan extra time and should anticipate longer waits.

§ Riders are strongly encouraged to utilize the Orange Line in the downtown area as a service alternative, especially during morning and evening peak travel periods as there will be fewer Green Line trains in the downtown core. The fare gates at Back Bay will be open to riders, allowing free fares for riders who choose to utilize the Orange Line during this service change.

Riders should also note that this service change overlaps with a planned weekend closure on the Red Line between Harvard and Broadway from February 24-25[CN1] and between Park Street and JFK/UMass on March 2-3. Additional details are available at mbta.com/RedLine.

As previously announced, this service change is in place as part of the MBTA's Track Improvement Program. To improve safety, reliability, and the customer experience, crews will perform track and tie replacement work; infrastructure upgrades; station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing; and more.

On the Red Line:

- Red Line service will be suspended between Park Street and JFK/UMass stations all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 2-3.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Park Street and JFK/UMass.

There will be free fares at Park Street and JFK/UMass stations with the fare gates open.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between JFK/UMass and South Station during this Red Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond JFK/UMass.

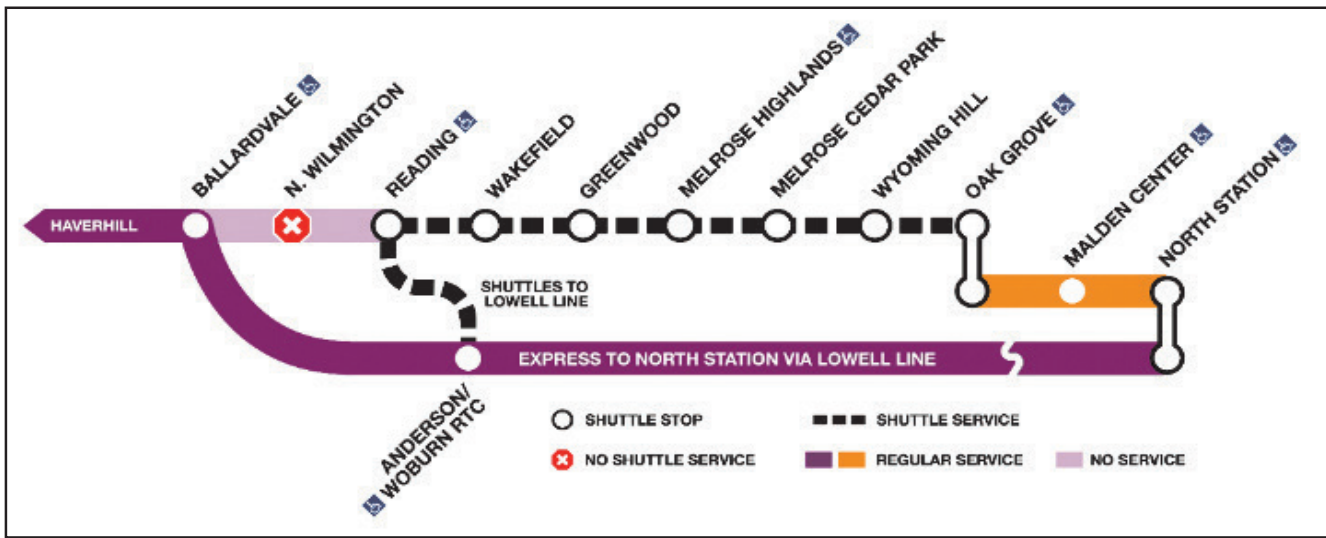
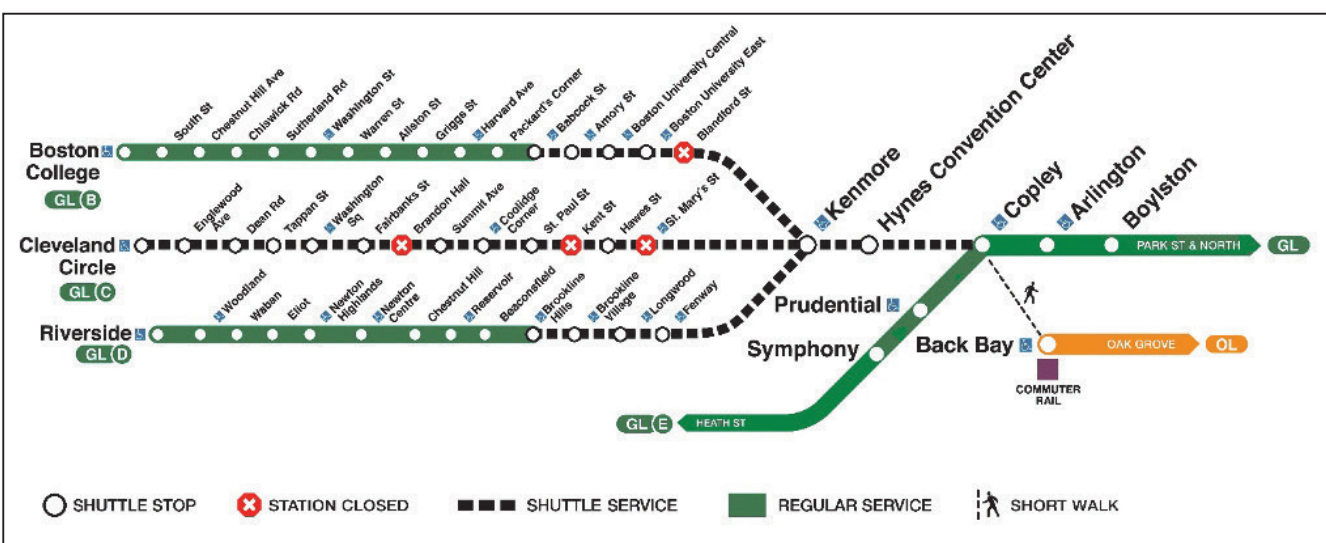
This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary inspections of Red Line tunnel infrastructure. Crews will also maximize the unencumbered access to the work area by performing power and signal work along the Red Line as well as station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing.

- Accessible shuttle bus service will replace Red Line trains between Broadway and Ashmont Stations on the Ashmont Branch and between Broadway and North Quincy Stations on the Braintree Branch all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Broadway and Ashmont / North Quincy.

There will be free fares at Broadway and North Quincy stations with the fare gates open. Riders boarding Mattapan Line trolleys at Ashmont also do not have to pay a fare.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Braintree, Quincy Center, JFK/UMass, and South Station during this Red Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Braintree.



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This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary work as part of the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Originally built in 1925 and last rehabilitated in 1975, the bridge will be replaced to protect its structural integrity and ensure reliable service. When complete, this project will result in safer, more reliable Red Line service. [CN2]

- Accessible shuttle bus service will replace Red Line trains between Broadway and JFK/UMass Stations on the Ashmont Branch and between Broadway and North Quincy Stations on the Braintree Branch all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 30-31.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Broadway and JFK/UMass / North Quincy.

There will be free fares at Broadway, JFK/UMass, and North Quincy stations with the fare gates open.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Braintree, Quincy Center, JFK/UMass, and South Station during this Red Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Braintree.

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On the Orange Line:

- Orange Line service will be suspended between Forest Hills and Ruggles stations all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 9-10.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Forest Hills and Ruggles.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Forest Hills, Ruggles, Back Bay, and South Station. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Forest Hills.

This service change is in place for crews to perform critical signal improvement work.

- As previously an-

nounced, Orange Line service will be suspended between Jackson Square and North Station all day from start to end of service for four days from March 18-21.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Jackson Square and Back Bay. From Back Bay, riders can travel less than a quarter mile (about a 5-minute walk) to Copley Station on the Green Line for continued service to the downtown area and North Station.

There will be free fares at Jackson Square and Back Bay stations with the fare gates open. There will also be free fares at Copley station inbound/eastbound on the Green Line with the fare gates.

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On the Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail lines:

The Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail lines, which run adjacent to the Red Line, will also experience service changes due to work on the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Accessible shuttle bus service will replace all trains between South Station and Braintree during the following times and dates:

Beginning at approximately 8:45 PM through the end of service on Friday, March 22, and continuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24.

Beginning at approximately 8:45 PM through the end of service on Friday, March 29, and continuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 30-31.

Accessible express shuttle bus service will operate directly between South Station and Braintree Station.

Passengers should note that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses,

and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, and Braintree Stations.

Keolis Customer Service Agents, MBTA staff, and Transit Ambassadors will be on-site at impacted stations to support riders.

The diversion schedule will be available online at mbta.com/CommuterRail.

On the Framingham/Worcester Commuter Rail Line:

- Framingham/Worcester Commuter Rail Line service will be suspended between South Station and Framingham stations from start to end of service on March 2.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on mbta.com soon.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will replace service between South Station and Framingham.

Passengers are expected to purchase a regular subway fare and/or Commuter Rail interzone fare.

This service change allows crews to perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

On the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line:

- Accessible shuttle buses are replacing Haverhill Line trains between Ballardvale and North Station during the weekends of March 9-10, March 23-24, and March 30-31. This service change allows crews to perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

Shuttle buses will replace train service between Reading and Oak Grove where passengers can connect to Orange Line subway.

A shuttle bus will also provide service between Reading and Anderson/Woburn for connections to the Lowell Line and Haverhill Line.

The shuttle service between Reading and Oak Grove will stop in Wakefield, Greenwood, Melrose Highlands, Melrose Cedar Park, Wyoming Hill, and Oak Grove.

North Wilmington Station will not have shuttle bus service with passen-

gers encouraged to utilize Lowell Commuter Rail Line service at Wilmington Station instead.

Train service for passengers between Ballardvale and Haverhill will be re-routed along the Lowell Line after Ballardvale, making one additional stop at Anderson/Woburn and then running express to North Station. Riders desiring service to or from Reading and Oak Grove should disembark at Anderson/Woburn and board the shuttle bus service.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and is available on mbta.com.

On the Newburyport/Rockport Commuter Rail Line:

- The entire Newburyport/Rockport Commuter Rail Line on both branches will be suspended between North Station and Newburyport and North Station and Rockport from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24. Service between North Station and Swampscott will also be suspended on the weekends of March 9-10 and March 30-31.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on mbta.com soon.

This service change allows for station improvement work at Beverly Depot station and for crews to perform Positive Train Control (PTC) / Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. PTC/ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

The MBTA previously announced service changes in February. More information is available here.

The MBTA understands how these service changes affect riders' daily travels during this period, but we are committed to improving your travels long term with more reliable, timely, and safe service. We thank riders for their patience as we deliver this important work and for continuing to ride our system.

For more information, visit mbta.com or connect with the T on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA and @MBTA_CR, Facebook / TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @thembta, or TikTok @thembta.

THE BELLE ISLE ROTARY CLUB’S ANNUAL POLAR PLUNGE FOR POLIO VACCINES HOSTED AT THE EAST BOSTON YACHT CLUB



“The Captain “watches over the belly flopping contest.



The ‘Belly Floppers’ in full costume started off the plunge into Boston Harbor, led by the “Captain “ (Tim White) 3rd from right.



Commodore of Mass Bay and Yacht Club Assn. Phil Greenstein and Tim White supporting the Belle Isle Rotary Club.



Rotary members Maryann Russo and Vera Carducci.

The Belle Isle Rotary Clun is a combined efforts of the East Boston, Revere and Winthrop communities. Last Saturday morning the club held their annual polar plunge at the East Boston yacht Club. The Rotary clubs are required to raise 1000 dollars a year to help with the distribution of polio vaccines. There is no charge

from the club per person, all funds raised are by donation, all funds of this annual polar plunge go towards polio vaccines. Thanks to the generosity of the East Boston Yacht Club, the use of the facility was a donation to the Rotary, showing their commitment to the community.



From Chelsea, the Seafarer's Friend Organization was at the EBYC collecting much need toiletries. This group of volunteers supports mariners that come into Boston, shown is Chaplin Brendan Hunter, David Hulse and Katie Grotto.



President of the Belle Isle Rotary Club Stephen Miliotos calls everyone to hit the icy waters of Boston Harbor.



Rotarian Jack Walsh (center) with Nick Querci and Sheelagh Walsh.



Rotary District Governor-elect Tom Hankard with Vera Carducci, President Stephen Miliotos, Amy Miliotos, Felicia Puopolo, and Brynn Mulry.



District Governor-elect Tom Hankard with the Parkway Club of West Roxbury.



Shown above, from the EBYC, Tim White (right) with plungers from the East Boston Community Kitchen.

Shown left, Joe Stefano and Steve Russo hold up the official plunge tee shirt.



The Belle Isle Rotary Club, Tom Hankard, Terri Curren, Tony Zambuto, Felicia Puopolo, Amy Miliotos, Jack Walsh, Sterling Sobey, Maryann and Steven Russo, Joe Stefano and Vera Carducci.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

QUATIERI TO SERVE AS CHELSEA'S NEW FIRE CHIEF

CHELSEA - John Quatieri is the choice to serve as Chelsea's new fire chief.

Quatieri, who currently serves as deputy chief and has served in the department for 32 years, will take over for current Fire Chief Leonard Albanese.

Earlier this year, Albanese announced his retirement after eight years in the department.

"Upon this announcement, we posted the position and created a hiring committee," said City Manager Fidel Maltez. "The hiring committee was made up of a diverse body of members, all invested in the long term success of our Fire Department. The hiring committee interviewed all applicants and made a unanimous decision to proceed with John Quatieri as our next Fire Chief."

Quatieri's appointment will be effected on March 8, the date of Albanese's retirement.

Maltez said during the process, one thing that was a priority was hiring someone with a deep knowledge of the city and the department, and with 32 years in the department, Quatieri fits the bill.

"Mr. Quatieri has been a deputy chief since 2006, and for the last eight years, has served as deputy chief of operations, responsible for the day-to-day (operations) of the fire department," said Maltez. "Mr. Quatieri has the leadership skills and technical knowledge to lead Chelsea's Fire Department. Most importantly, Mr. Quatieri is intimately involved in our city, leading various community efforts."

Maltez said he has asked Quatieri to set up meetings with each member of the city council over the next several months to continue the collaborative effort between the fire chief and the council.

"John knows Chelsea, he was born and raised in Chelsea, and has spent 32 years in the department," said Maltez. "But more importantly, he has been running the show for the past eight years alongside Chief Albanese, and I see no one better prepared to lead the Chelsea Fire Department forward."

COUNCIL VOTES FOR SFRC

EVERETT - The City Council unanimously approved a motion by Ward 3 Councilor Anthony DiPierro at its Feb. 12 meeting to re-establish the School Finance Review Commission (SFRC) as a collaborative effort among three segments of city government.

The 13-member Commission would consist of representatives from Mayor Carlo DeMario's Office, the City Council, and the School Committee.

"This is not a Commission that I have just created, it's something that's been on the books here since 2012," said DiPierro in introducing his motion. "It [SFRC] hadn't met for

a while. It was picked up in 2018 and it served its purpose."

DiPierro clarified that it was not his intention to "come from a place of oversight (for the Commission)."

"It's more to come from a place of collaboration," said DiPierro. "I think it only serves us all well if city government, this body in particular, works hand in hand with the School Department. This isn't just about school financing and budgeting. It's tasked with reviewing enrollment, School Department-related expenditures to include overcrowding, and the need for new space. I think this is a great opportunity for us to communicate more regularly in regard to the School Department's needs, rather than only during budget season."

Councilor-at-Large Katy Rogers asked if it were possible "to expand the Commission to include a school space element, because space is an issue in our schools that is so directly related to finances."

"I think that is a great point," said DiPierro in response to Rogers' suggestion. "However, I'm just looking to revive this [Commission] at this moment. I'm just asking the Mayor to get together with Council President [Robert] Van Campen, School Committee Chair [Jeanne] Cristiano, and at least get the appointees together, and those topics can certainly be brought up at the meetings by whoever is appointed."

Ward 4 Councilor Holly Garcia asked how the membership of the Commission would be constituted.

Van Campen said it was his belief that he, as council president, would appoint the four members of the City Council to the Commission.

"I'm certainly happy to entertain any letters of interest from [Council] members," said Van Campen.

ZBA SUBCOMMITTEE APPROVES TWO PROJECTS

EAST BOSTON - Two projects in the neighborhood — one on Horace Street and the other on Monmouth Street — were approved during a Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) subcommittee hearing last week.

The first project up for discussion during the subcommittee meeting was at 68 Horace Street, which includes an attic renovation and the replacement of a roof at an existing two-family home.

Jonathan Ginnis, the project architect, explained that when they submitted for a permit, the project was rejected due to a violation of East Boston's Interim Planning Overlay District (IPOD).

"Of the three issues in IPOD, basically there was no issue with adding 1,000 feet or expanding the front — we changed the roof line in the back," said Ginnis.

"It was a flat cornice line that wrapped the cor-

LA COLABORATIVA GOES THROUGH TRANSFORMATION



A client leaves the La Colaborativa office passing by the mural, which is prominent in the hallway. The office has gone through a transformation with help of area agencies and grants to serve residents that are in need of a safety shelter.

ner to what is now a raked cornice line. It meets zoning in every other requirement, and the houses to either side are bigger than this," he later added.

When the presentation was open to questions from the board, Hansy Better Barraza had asked about the height from floor to ceiling in the attic, which Ginnis said was about nine feet to the ridge beam.

Barraza also had asked about the height of the majority of the habitable bedroom — on average — to which Ginnis explained was seven and a half feet. She also had asked a clarifying question regarding windows in a bedroom area.

There were no other questions from the board, and Conor Newman with the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services not only deferred to the judgment of the board but also provided some background on the project's community process.

He explained an abutters meeting was held in December with one abutter present who did not comment and that the Harbor View Neighborhood Association Board "reviewed the plans and did not think the work being done in the plans needed to go in front of the whole civic group, so they declined to have them come meet," per Newman.

There were no other public comments following Newman's testimony, and the board unanimously supported a motion to approve the project with a proviso that it has no building code violations.

The next project up for discussion was at 49 Monmouth Street. The purpose of the project is to change the building from a one-family to a two-family and include a rear deck.

Specifically, the project proponent sought relief for the side and rear yards setbacks and the floor area ratio.

Joie Mara, the owner of the building, presented and expanded on the portion of the project concerning the deck, explaining that it would be bi-level and serve as an egress.

Mara also mentioned that an updated drawing was provided to resolve the sideyard setbacks. "Both sides are now no longer in violation of the code, so it's just the back side that is less than 30 feet," he said.

Barraza had asked some questions about the proposed deck, which revealed that it extends 10.2 feet from the existing property and that the new rear setback with the deck would be 19.5 feet. She also asked some questions about a drawing shown during the presentation, and there were no other questions from the board.

Again, Newman deferred to the judgment of the board and provided background on the community engagement of the project. There was an abutters meeting held in September, in which no abutters were present, and support was received from the Eagle Hill Civic Association in November.

There were no other public comments, and the board unanimously supported a motion to approve the project with the proviso that it go through Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) design review.

Per a description of the hearing on the city's YouTube channel — where the hearing recording can be found — "The Zoning Board will hold a vote on whether to approve or reject the Subcommittee recommendations at its next full-Board hearing."

The next ZBA hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27th, according to the ZBA webpage on the city's website.

COUNCIL CONTINUES DISCUSSION OF MBTA 3A ZONING

WINTHROP - The state's Section 3A zoning requirements continue to be a hot topic of discussion at Town Council.

By the end of the year, the town will be expected to present an approved multi-family zoning district to the state as an adjacent MBTA community under Section 3A of the state's Zoning Act.

The purpose of Section 3A is to encourage the production of multi-family housing by requiring MBTA communities to adopt zoning districts where multi-family housing is allowed as of right, and that meet other requirements set forth in the statute.

Tuesday night, town Planning and Community Development Director Rachel Kelly addressed some of the questions raised by

councilors about the 3A zoning over the past several weeks.

Councilors and residents who spoke on Tuesday night continued to state that the zoning change, which calls for zones with the potential of building at least 882 multi-family housing units, puts an unfair burden on a town which has a small area and is already densely populated.

Several councilors also spoke out against the pressure the state is putting on Winthrop and other communities in the state to change their zoning against their will.

Council President Jim Letterie said he was ready to vote against approving any Section 3A zoning changes for the town.

"I'll state again, I'm a no, I'm a no at 800 units, I'm a no at one unit," said Letterie. "Not because of the number of units, but because we are being told what to do with our town."

Letterie noted that there is already substantial growth in Winthrop without the MBTA zoning in place.

"We are going to make this number, not because they tell us to, but that is what we are doing," he said. "That's the way the CBD (Central Business District), that's creating x amount of units. We just shouldn't be told, I think it is unconstitutional and I am a no."

Precinct 2 Councilor John Munson said the town has to look at the best way to fight back and address the pressure being put on the town by the state.

"There is no way we would be able to afford a new school and all the public safety we would need if we were forced to comply, there's just no way," said Munson. "We are at 105 percent capacity now, we would have to build a new school. Where is that \$85 million going to come from?"

"It doesn't make sense to be forced into this."

Several councilors said the town needs more information about the penalties it faces if it does not comply with the zoning. Councilor-at-Large Max Tassinari said the council should meet in executive session with the town attorney to discuss its legal options.

Town Manager Tony Marino said it will be difficult for the town to com-

ply with the 3A guidelines, which is one reason why the town drafted a letter to Governor Maura Healey asking for relief from the guidelines.

"If you're going to comply, you need to be at a minimum (classified) as an adjacent small town, or you are going to push back and go the other route," said Marino. "But that is really the only way it is going to work is if we all push back. Town managers, when I was in my prior town three years ago when this first came out, we all wrote letters and pushed back."

"This one size fits all doesn't work."

Kelly addressed some of the questions about the timeline for the zoning changes, as well as the potential penalties the town faces if it doesn't comply with the state.

According to information provided by Kelly, MBTA communities which do not comply with Section 3A would not be eligible for funds from the state's Housing Choice Initiative, the Local Capital Projects Fund, and the Massworks Infrastructure Program. In addition, the communities would risk liability under state and federal fair housing laws.

Also, compliance with the law may be taken into consideration when applying for a number of planning and land use grants through the state.

Kelly noted that there is currently not a way to apply for a variance from the state, and that communities that fail to comply with the multi-family housing districts are subject to civil enforcement action.

Councilors also raised questions about whether the town needs to use the zoning districts drawn up in a previously completed study. Kelly stated that work done in 2023 was a small-scale grant used to collect baseline data and create a starting point for Winthrop's 3A efforts, and that the zones were not set in stone.

In her presentation, Kelly stated that existing multi-family units in the town would not count towards compliance in any of the proposed districts. She stated that the town must have zoning that allows the required units to exist within the chosen 3A districts, regardless of how many units exist there currently.

STUDENT SENATE STAR

FEBRUARY 2024

7TH EDITION

THE STUDENT SENATE STAR

The Student Senate Star (S.S.S) is Revere High School’s very own spot in the Revere Journal, where student voice shines bright! Submissions will be open for our editions sent out during the last week of every month as we hope to increase visibility of youth voice in Revere. Whether its op-eds, poems, stories, or any other form of writing, we hope to showcase the unique perspective of students across the city. Some pieces will be signed by writers, while other pieces may be signed “Student Senate Star” to preserve anonymity. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, email studentsenaterhs@gmail.com and/or reach out to our Instagram, [@rhs.studentsenate!](#) Enjoy our fifth edition!

GIRL-VEST: REVERE’S SOPHOMORE STUDENT SENATOR LEAH ZUNIGA WINS CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE

The popularization of the internet has changed the stock market as we know it. Not only has the 21st century been defined by the introduction of new tech giants into the mix of Fortune 500 companies, but it has also allowed many to take investing into their own hands. Rather than relying on hedge funds and financial advisors, much of the American public has cut out the middleman and instead embraced commission-free personal investment apps such as Robinhood, Acorns, and Stockpile. Still, while many find this newfound freedom to be encouraging, the removal of the middleman has still allowed for the exclusion of a major population of prospective investors: women and gender non-conforming people. The problem of deep-seated gender inequality within the investment world is exactly why “Girl-Vest”, an app coded by high school students, was made.

The app, made over the summer of 2023 through the “Kode with Klossy” camp by MA students Kabirah Azeez, Krisha Dani, Victoria Soto, and Leah Zuniga, features articles and quizzes curated to educate the broader public about the investment world, with a focus on engaging young women interested in economics. The spark for the project? A 2021 Fidelity finding that 33% of female respondents



Girl-Vest Co-Founders Kabirah Azeez (left) and Leah Zuniga (right) collaborate on the app during the 2023 Kode with Klossy Summer Camp. Co-Founders Krisha Dani and Victoria Soto (not pictured) also helped code the app.

had confidence in their investment choices. The same study found that only 14% of women reported that they know a lot about saving and investing. Featuring a scheme of pink and white buttons coded through Swift, Girl-Vest takes on the need for broader investment education and accessibility through an enticing theme of empowerment for all to enjoy. With the students largely from Massachuettst’s 7th Congressional District, they will make the trip to visit Representative Ayanna Pressley on the National #HouseofCode Celebration from April 10-11, featuring coders and STEM-interested students from across the nation. Co-Founder and Student Senator Leah Zuniga, while a part of MA’s 5th Congressional District, will proudly represent Revere for the first time since the competition’s launching in 2015. With her first visit to DC, she is excited to “[be] there in


a room full of talented students,” as well as “getting to meet the representatives you hear so much about in the news.”

The Kode with Klossy Summer Camp, the program in which the founders of Girl-Vest met, hosts passionate students yearly and is open to girls, gender nonconforming and trans students aged between 13-18 free of charge. With applications open during the spring, and boasting a powerful (and newly decorated) alumni network, the Girl-Vest founders hope more students enter the empowering program. As personal investments and financial education takes a new form in Massachusetts, especially as the state considers statewide financial literacy requirements in high schools, an app like Girl-Vest is not only helpful, but necessary.


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THE CLASS OF 2025 JUNIOR PROM NEARS!

With spring right around the corner, RHS Student Councils are busy with a wide array of upcoming events and fundraisers. As is tradition, this means Prom! The 2025 graduating class has worked hard over the past year to lower the cost of Junior Prom for the grade’s over 530 students to enjoy. Boasting a wide range of sponsors from the Revere community, the class will celebrate at Venezia Boston, with a beautiful oceanfront view. The class graciously invites other members of the community to sponsor their first Prom!



Class of 2025 President Reyhan Bensadok and Class Advisor Anna DiCenso have led sponsorship efforts for the class’ first prom this upcoming May.

DiDomenico joins supporters of Head Start programs at celebration

Special to the Journal

Senator Sal DiDomenico joined Head Start advocates from across Massachusetts for Head Start Day at the State House. Over 300 Head Start program staff, parents, advocates, and partners gathered in the State House to celebrate the important and impactful work that Head Start programs do in every corner of Massachusetts and ensure the state

continues to fund this essential program. “I have and will continue to advocate for state funding for Head Start so children across our state can access high-quality early education, and comprehensive wraparound services including health, mental health, nutrition, and family support,” said Senator Sal DiDomenico. “I also had the pleasure of talking with staff and parents from ABCD Head

Start sites in my district. As a parent and a person who went through Head Start as a child, I know how critical these programs are for our families, our communities, and our economy.” DiDomenico was also happy to spend time with Michelle Haimowitz - Executive Director at Massachusetts Head Start Association, Sharon Scott Chandler - President/CEO of Action for Boston Community Development, Flossy Calderón - VP of Head Start & Children’s Services, Kate Warren Barnes - VP of Policy and Government Relations at Jumpstart, Latoya Gayle – Senior Director of Advocacy at Neighborhood Villages, and Beth Ann Strollo - CEO of Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc.



Shown (Left to right) Beth Ann Strollo, Kate Warren Barnes, Latoya Gayle (Neighborhood Villages), Senator Sal DiDomenico, and Sharon Scott Chandler.



A large number of area residents turned out for the Head start advocacy event in the State House.



Senator Sal DiDomenico meets with Head Start advocates.

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To: Anthony Perrone
George M. Anzuoni
Richard Viscay
Fatou Drammeh
Ashley Melnik,
City Clerk

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23A of Chapter 39 of the General Laws that a Special Meeting of the Revere Housing Authority will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at 70 Cooledge Street, in the City of Revere.

REVERE HOUSING AUTHORITY

By: Dean Harris
Executive Director

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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Hearing

Storage of Flammables

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 13 of the Massachusetts General Laws that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, March 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts on the application of SD R9 Owner, LLC, 1 Beacon Street, 31st Floor, Boston, MA 02108 requesting a Chapter 148 License from the Revere City Council for aboveground storage of 270 gallons of diesel fuel (generator), and 2,506 gallons of gasoline contained within 179 vehicles to be parked in a parking garage in a mixed-use development at 50 Salt Street, Revere, MA 02151 (MBP 4-80-14F). A copy of the aforementioned application 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 and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 19, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org.

Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 Chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General Laws (Wetlands Protection Act) that the City of Revere Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing, on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 upon the application of Mr. Gregory Olson to construct an addition to an existing single family dwelling and associated site work at 175 Rice Avenue (Tax. Map 14 Block 192A Lot 6). A copy of the Applicant's "Notice of Intent" application will be available at the Department of Planning & Community Development at Revere City Hall Monday through Thursday 8:15 AM to 5:00 PM.

Revere Conservation Commission

2/28/24

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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, March 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts relative to the following proposed amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere: AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REVERE RELATIVE TO THE TERM OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Revere as follows: SECTION 1. Section 2.63.020 Superintendent – Appointment – Term of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by removing the word “five” and inserting in place thereof the word “three.”

A copy of the aforementioned proposed ordinance 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 and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 19, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org.

Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

CZ-24-01

City of Revere, MA

Public Hearing Notice

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17, Chapter 17.56, Sections 17.56.010 – 17.56.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere, that (a) the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 25, 2024 at 6:00PM in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts 02151, and (b) the Re-

vere Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 5:30PM in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts 02151, relative to the following proposed amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere: A ZONING ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE OVERLOOK RIDGE OVERLAY DISTRICT

Section 1. Section 17.23.040 is hereby amended by deleting, in each of subsection C.2, C.3, and C.4 the words “accessory to hotel (limited to the first floor and not to exceed five thousand square feet).”

Section 2. Section 17.23.080 is hereby amended by deleting, in its entirety, the final sentence of Section 17.23.080, which currently reads as follows: “The provisions of Title 17, Chapter 17.23 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere, the Overlook Ridge Overlay District (OROD), the boundaries of which are set forth in Exhibit A attached and illustrated as OROD “A” and “B” shall not take effect for OROD “A” and “B” until a building permit is issued by the City of Revere Building Inspector for the hotel proposed to be constructed on OROD “C”.”

A copy of the aforementioned application (CZ-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 and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 19, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org.

Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by G/J Towing Inc of 655 North Shore Road, Revere, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L.c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after March 7, 2024 beginning at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers' lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at G/J Towing, Inc.

1. 2017 Nissan Sentra VIN 3N1AB7A-POHY268490

2. 2022 Honda HR-V VIN 3CZRU6H38NM701929

Signed,
Frank Russo
G/J Towing Inc

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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Be it ordained by the City of Revere as follows: SECTION 1. Section 5.10.050A – Areas and hours of operation, limitations of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by striking the following locations: 6. Broadway, east side only, north of Cheever Street and south of Hyde Street, not to exceed two food trucks at this location at any one time. and 7. Broadway, east side only, north of Hyde Street and South of Pleasant Street, not to exceed one food truck at this location at any one time;

SECTION 2. Section 5.10.050A - Areas and hours of operation, limitations of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by changing number 8 to 6.

A copy of the aforementioned proposed ordinance 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 and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 19, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org.

Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Project File No. 612184

A Public Informational Meeting will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Bridge Replacement, R-05-015, Revere Beach Parkway (Route 16) over Broadway (Route 107) project in Revere, MA.

WHERE: City Hall
281 Broadway
Revere, MA 02151

WHEN: Thursday, March 7, 2024 @ 7 PM – 8 PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Bridge Replacement, R-05-015, on Revere Beach Parkway (Route 16) over Broadway (Route 107) project. All views and comments made at the meeting will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of replacing the bridge on Revere Beach Parkway. The preliminary design indicates that the overall width of the bridge will remain approximately the same as the existing bridge.

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State Sen. Edwards announces re-election campaign

By Adam Swift

State Senator Lydia Edwards has officially announced that she is running for a second full term in office.

Edwards represents the Third Suffolk District, comprising Revere, Winthrop, and portions of Boston including East Boston.

Edwards won a special election to replace former state Senator Joe Boncore in early 2022 and then won the regular election for the Third Suffolk seat in November of 2022.

Edwards is a former Boston City Councilor who represented Charlestown, East Boston, and the North End.

“It’s been more than 2 years since I was first elected as your State Senator in the Massachusetts State Senate, (it) has been the honor of my life serving you,” Edwards stated in an email to supporters earlier this week. “We have achieved tremendous wins throughout these past years, from organizing

the first PRIDE potluck in Winthrop, celebrating the East Boston Latino Festival, passing tax relief for homeowners, advocating for millions of dollars for the 3rd Suffolk District, and now working on a major Housing Bond Bill that would provide \$4.1B to solve the current housing crisis in Massachusetts.”

Edwards stated that she is currently collecting signatures to guarantee her name is on the ballot.

Over the past several years, Edwards has supported a number of local candidates for office, including Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe in his recent race against former mayor Dan Rizzo, as well as city

councillors Juan Pablo Jaramillo and Marc Silvestri and School Committee member Jacqueline Monterroso.

In Winthrop, Edwards supported town councillors Max Tassinari, John DaRos, John Munson, and Suzanne Swope.

Historic First Annual Summit for Black Elected Officials in honor of Black History Month

Special to the Journal

The First Annual Summit of State Elected Officials, celebrating Black History Month, commenced on February 16th, marking a significant milestone in establishing a new tradition. This inaugural summit, hosted at the Massachusetts State House, gathered Black state elected officials from across New England. It provided a distinctive platform for dialogue, collaboration, and legislative innovation focused on addressing the pressing issues facing the Black community in New England today.

The summit’s agenda covered critical areas such as education, public health, criminal justice reform, housing, and economic development. Participants engaged in comprehensive discussions, sharing insights and strategies from their varied experiences and legislative backgrounds. The collaborative atmosphere facilitated an analysis of existing policies, acknowledgment of successes, identification of areas for improvement, and the development of new legislative paths.

State Senator Lydia Edwards highlighted, “This summit represents more than a gathering; it is a bold step towards unity, empowerment, and progress for the Black community. By uniting, we have established a tradition that not only honors our history but also paves the way for our future. It’s about learning from one another, celebrating our achievements, and addressing challenges together.”

The event also stood as a beacon of hope and a model for similar initiatives nationwide, showcasing the impact of collective action by state elected officials for the betterment of the communities they represent. “This is just the beginning,” added State Senator Edwards. “We anticipate this annual summit will grow, evolve, and continue to inspire significant change across New England and the nation.”

In addition to legislative discussions, the summit featured keynote speeches from prominent leaders in the Black community,

including Maine Speaker of the House Rachel Talbot Ross, workshops, and panel discussions aimed at fostering innovation and actionable solutions. Speaker Talbot Ross stated, “The New England Summit of State Elected Officials in Honor of Black History was more than a gathering; it was a powerful demonstration of the strength, resilience, and collective wisdom within our community. By coming together, we amplify our voices, celebrate our achievements, and chart a course for a future where Black history is actively shaped by those dedicated to servant leadership. I am grateful to Senator Edwards for organizing this event and look forward to the work ahead.”

Tanisha M. Sullivan, President of the NAACP New England Area, remarked, “This historic convening allowed state elected officials from across New England to collaborate and learn about policy priorities in their states. We thank Senator Edwards for initiating this event and look forward to ongoing collaboration among policymakers and community leaders to strengthen communities and families across New England.”

The participation of notable Massachusetts leaders, including Mayor Michelle Wu, Governor Maura Healey, Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, NAACP President Tanisha Sullivan, Meet Boston President Martha Sheridan, State Representative Bud Williams, and Museum of African American History President Dr. Noelle Trent, enriched this year’s summit. Their presence and contributions added valuable perspectives, emphasizing the importance of state and local collaboration in advancing the interests of the Black community.

Governor Maura Healey remarked, “Our administration is committed to building a legacy centered on equity, always applying an equity lens to our work to increase access to education, housing, economic opportunity, and healthcare. This spirit is embodied in Senator Ed-



Attendees of the first annual Summit for Black Elected Officials shown outside of the State House on Feb. 16

wards and our legislators of color’s daily work. I thank Senator Edwards for organizing this summit, creating an opportunity to elevate Black leaders across New England, and celebrate Black history and social justice. I look forward to our continued collaboration to make Massachusetts a more equitable home for all and am excited about next year’s event.”

“Black history is American history, not only in February but throughout the year. However, opportunities like this allow us to celebrate and acknowledge the incredible contributions of the Black community in Massachusetts,” stated Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. “I am thankful to Senator Edwards for creating a space where leaders across New England can unite and support our Black communities, shaping history for years to come.”

Representative Bud Williams, Chair of the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus, expressed, “It is often said that it takes a village and that the squeaky wheel gets the oil. I firmly believe that through the collaboration of our elected officials, who address the diverse needs of constituents, agencies, and advocates, we will advance. We hear you, see you, and want you to know that your fight is our fight. Speaking for my colleagues at the State House, we pledge to do all within our power to continue this work. Change is coming—actually, it is already underway.”

“I have devoted many years to serving my community in the 11th Hampden District, both on civic and state levels. As the current House Chair of the Joint Committee on Racial Equity, Civil Rights, and Inclusion, Chair of the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus, and a member of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Black Empowerment, I can unequivocally state that the New England 1st Annual Summit of State Elected Officials was a transformative event. Massachusetts has proven itself a leader on many fronts, and this summit adds to our achievements, demonstrating our com-



State Sen. Lydia Edwards addresses the Summit.

mitment to racial equity, civil rights, and inclusion for all,” said Representative Williams.

Martha Sheridan, CEO of Meet Boston, remarked, “Attending and addressing the First Annual New England Summit of State Elected Officials was an immense honor. The summit sparked essential conversations on topics affecting our region and the nation. These discussions align with Meet Boston’s goals, especially in building equity within the visitor economy as part of a broader effort toward community economic development.”

“We were truly honored to be part of the First Annual Summit for Black

Elected Officials as part of Black History Month,” said Dr. Noelle Trent, President & CEO, Museum of African American History Boston/Nantucket. “We all stand on the shoulders of those who came before us. I firmly believe that having elected Black elected officials of every age and background from across New England stand where Frederick Douglass, Lewis Hayden and other giants who fought for civil rights and social justice once stood will inspire the next generation of political leaders.”

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As the first event of its kind, the summit not only commemorated Black History Month but also reaffirmed the commitment of public servants to uplift and advance the interests of their communities. State Senator Edwards and all participants extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of this historic summit and look forward to the enduring impact it will have on the communities they serve.

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