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RICHARD M. BARDEN NAMED PRINCIPAL AT NORTHEAST VOCATIONAL

Superintendent David DiBarri is pleased to announce that Richard M. Barden has been named as the next Principal of Northeast Metro Tech.

Throughout the interview process, Mr. Barden was highly impressive. Barden began his career in 2001 as a classroom teacher at the Donald P. Timony Grammar School in Methuen. He has taught math and worked in the Methuen Public School's Freshman Academy. He became high school Associate Principal in 2011, and Supervising Principal in 2015.

Barden holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Merrimack College, a Master's degree in Teaching Mathematics from Salem State University, and a certificate of advanced graduate study in educational leadership from Salem State University.

"I am excited and honored to be named principal of Northeast Metro Tech," said Barden. "It is a privilege to join the esteemed faculty, staff, and administration who are committed to the development and success of all students while cultivating a school climate that is inclusive, safe, and supportive. I look forward to meeting students and partnering with families and community members. I am grateful for this opportunity to lead

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Shown above at the Revere Farmers Market, Joshua Jackiewicz, of J's Honest Farm and Nursery, offers all types of plants for the household.

Shown left, Lois Merenda D'Ambrosio (center) with Mayor Patrick Keefe and Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya at the Farmers Market, now at its new location in Waterfront Square. See more photos on Page 6.

RPS educator, Dave Eatough, retires after three decades

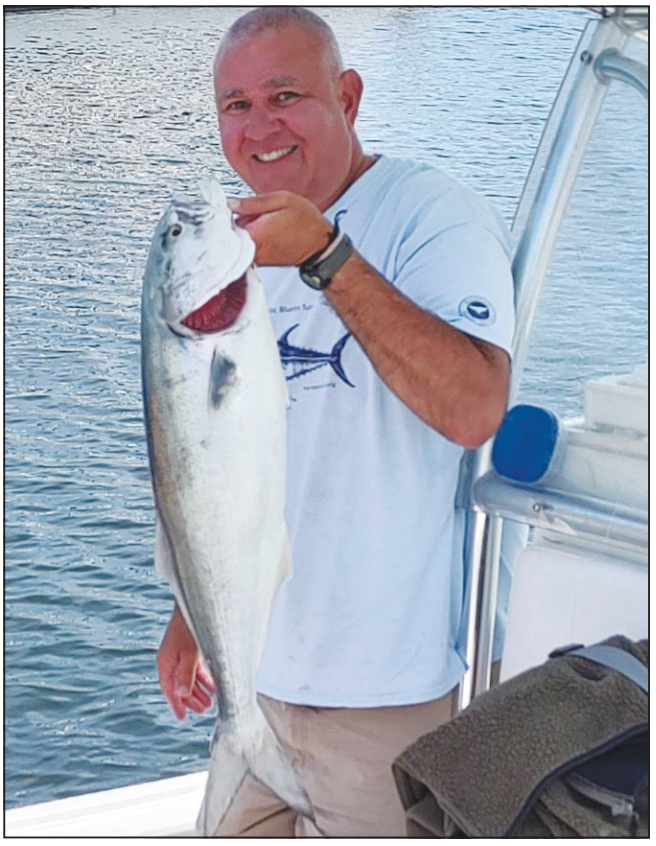
By Melissa Moore-Randall June 17 was the "real" last day of school for David Eatough, who retired

after 30 years as a Revere teacher. A graduate of Beaver College, now called Arcadia University, Eatough

earned Bachelor degrees in Art-Science (now Scientific Illustration) and Biology and later a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) at Tufts University."

Thirty years at RHS provided Eatough with many memorable experiences. "I have had so many wonderful students, many resilient students who have taught me how to persevere through challenges. Thinking of them fills me with joy."

"I have taught a variety of classes. When I started teaching it was common to give the new teacher the least desirable classes. I taught Intro Biology to students who had failed previously. I loved those kids. They were tough. They were dealing with things no one should have to deal with but if you showed an interest in them they would do almost anything for you. I



Revere High School's Dave Eatough.

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Board of Health hears of rodent problem

By Journal Staff The Revere Board of Health held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday evening, July 25, in the City Council Chambers. On hand for the session were chair Dr. Drew Bunker, members Kathleen Savage and Viviana Catano, Director of Public Health Lauren Buck, Health Agent/Director of Inspectional Services, Michael Wells,

and Board of Health Clerk Paula Sepulveda. The session was a brief (20 minutes) one. Buck presented the Communicable Disease Monthly report. She noted that the city has an overall low incidence of disease, though the COVID-19 figures remained high with 87 confirmed cases in the city in July, a figure that does not take into account the unreported cases. "Massachusetts is see-

ing a spike in COVID and upper-respiratory diseases," Buck said.

She also noted that the Mass. Dept. of Public Health confirmed that a Worcester-area resident who had returned from overseas travel was confirmed with measles in July, the first such incidence in Mass. since 2020. Buck suggested that individuals who do not know

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High school building committee gets update on finances and subcommittees

By Adam Swift

Last week's meeting of the Revere High School Building Committee was largely a bookkeeping affair, as committee members discussed details of future project invoicing and the goals of the building subcommittees as the project moves forward.

The project to build a new \$490 million-plus high school at Wonderland is currently in the design development phase, which is slated to last through the end of the calendar year, according to Brian Dakin of owner's project manager LeftField.

"The end of January is when we will have a series of presentations summarizing the design," said Dakin. "We will have the estimates done, we will be confirming that we are on budget, and we will be further through permitting."

While the eight-month design development phase runs through January, Da-

kin said the design parameters of the project will need to be locked down with dollar values by the beginning of December.

"Then, we will hand off all of that data to teams of estimators," said Dakin.

LeftField, project architect Perkins Eastman, and construction manager Consigli will work with those estimators through the holidays to prepare for the January presentations.

Once the design development is completed and the numbers are in place, the construction document phase will begin as the project works toward being bid out for construction.

Dakin said LeftField was planning to meet with city finance director Richard Viscay and his staff to go through the project budget line by line.

One of the goals of those meetings will be to make sure the software and bud-

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Superintendent Kelly honored by the MASS

Kelly receives the Christos Daoulas Award, the Association's highest honor

Special to the Journal

At its annual conference, the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents (MASS) recognized Revere Public School Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly for her dedication to improving education in the district as well as the state. Dr. Kelly was presented with the Christos Daoulas Award at the conference held in Mashpee.

Named in honor of the late Dracut Superintendent of Schools, Christos Daoulas, the award is MASS's highest honor and acknowledges the most outstanding superintendent of schools in the state of Massachusetts.

Dr. Kelly is one of only four women to ever win the award.

"It is certainly unexpected and humbling to receive this award, especially knowing that it was my colleagues from across the state who voted on who should get that

award; I certainly wasn't expecting it," said Kelly. "It really fills my cup, as our elementary school students would say. It fills my cup to know that some of the hard work doesn't go unnoticed and is recognized by colleagues across the state. So, thank you to those who reached out and acknowledged this accomplishment."

School Committee member Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo congratulated Kelly during last week's school committee meeting.

"I wanted to say congratulations to our superintendent, Dr. Dianne Kelly, for receiving the Christos Daoulas award," said Rizzo. "Each year, this accolade is presented to a superintendent who embodies the finest attributes and has made substantial impacts in the state. MASS chose her because she's strongly dedicated to fostering leader-

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Revere Police Department photo of mopeds seized during Operation Ride Right.



### Operation Ride Right leads to seizure of eight mopeds and an arrest

By Journal Staff

A new safety enforcement initiative aimed at getting illegal mopeds, motorcycles, and scooters off the streets paid off last week.

Last week, a crackdown targeting the illegal use of mopeds, motorcycles and scooters in Revere led to the seizure of eight mopeds, an arrest of an individual fleeing from police on a stolen moped, and several citations issued, according to Police Chief David Callahan.

Operation Ride Right is a new safety enforcement initiative at the direction of Callahan targeting the ille-

gal use and possession of mopeds, motorcycles, and scooters.

"The purpose of this operation is to conduct high visibility zero-tolerance enforcement for any violations, including but not limited to speeding and aggressive driving while educating the public on unsafe operation," said Callahan.

The operation will continue for the remainder of the year, said the chief.

The city council has highlighted the need for enforced traffic enforcement during its current session, with council members and Callahan both noting that traffic issues have been a top concern for residents.

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get tracking is compatible between the city, the project team, and the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA).

Dakin said LeftField will be tracking the budget to make sure the city is reimbursed all it is due through the MSBA grants.

"As we settle into the monthly finance meetings, this is going to be a big topic ... just making sure we get the money back from the MSBA," said Dakin.

Dakin also highlighted the high school building subcommittees which have started meeting over the past several weeks.

"A lot of these meetings are going to be what

drives content for building committee updates," said Dakin. "We anticipate next month having a little more intensive of an update about design and the site."

The subcommittees include the design working group, site campus and athletics, site utilities, city planning, IT, and finance.

The focus of the recent IT subcommittee was on bringing internet fiber to the Wonderland site.

"It appears that the plan is to have the city's fiber vendor bring in a line from (the Paul Revere School)," said Dakin. "We need to bring the fiber loop that all city services run on down to Wonderland."

## ZBA grants applications for special permits, variances

By Journal Staff

The Revere Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday, July 24, in the City Councillor Joseph A. DeGrosso City Council Chamber in Revere City Hall. Chair Robert Tucker and fellow members Aklog Limeh, John Lopes, James O'Brien, Arthur Pelton, and alternate member Peggy Pratt were on hand for the session.

The first matter was an application by Jason and Megan Simmons-Herrling of 185 Endicott Avenue for a special permit pursuant to Revere Revised Ordinances (RRO) Section 17.40.040 to modify and expand their existing non-conforming single-family structure.

There were no opponents and the board unanimously approved the application.

The next matter was a request from The Neighborhood Developers (TND), Inc., 4 Gerrish Avenue, Chelsea, for an additional six-month extension of the one-year exercise period to construct a seven-story, mixed-use building on the property known and numbered as 110 Ocean Avenue. Atty. Nancy O'Neill represented TND, which is a non-profit entity. She said that TND has been experiencing delays in the federal funding process, which in turn has delayed the construction of the project. The board unanimously approved the extension.

The board next took up a request from Anwaar Masoud and Usman Rahman, 142 Malden Street, for a special permit pursuant to RRO Section 17.40.040 for the alteration and extension of a pre-existing, nonconforming single-family structure in addition to the following variances to enable the appellant to convert the structure to a two-family dwelling at 142 Malden Street:

1. RRO Section 17.28.020 with respect to minimum requirement of four parking spaces for a two-family dwelling;
2. RRO Section 17.24.010 (footnote y) with respect to maximum height requirement of 30 feet for lots less than 5,000 s.f in the RB District.; and
3. RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum requirement of 2 1/2 stories within the RB District.

Atty. O'Neill represented the petitioners. She said the work to be done will be a "vertical addition" of two stories to the structure that will allow it to be converted into a two-family property. She noted that many of the other homes in the neighborhood are either two or three-family homes and that a two-family use is allowed as a matter of right in the RB district.

O'Neill added that residents in the neighborhood are in favor of the application. She also noted that the configuration of the lot (significant sloping) makes expansion of the

building's footprint infeasible. O'Neill told the board that the 34' height will exceed the allowable height by four feet and that the three stories will exceed the two-and one-half story limit.

O'Neill said the applicant is seeking the variances in order to allow family members to reside on the premises. Finally, O'Neill said that Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro is in favor of the project.

A next door neighbor spoke in favor of the application. "He's a good neighbor and I want him to have a good living situation for his family," he said.

There were no opponents and the board unanimously approved the application.

The next matter was an application by Jason Jones, 8 Payson Street, who requested the following variances to enable him to construct a single-family dwelling on Lots 6, 7, and 8 at the intersection of Walnut Street and Richard Street:

1. RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum rear yard setback requirement of 30 feet within the RA1 District; and
2. RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum front yard setback requirement of 20 feet within the RA1 District;

Mr. Jones said that many members of his family have lived in the neighborhood for many years,

including his brother, mother, and grandmother. A resident who lives diagonally-adjacent to the property in question said he did not oppose the application. There were no opponents and the board unanimously approved the application.

Next up was Philip J. Consolo, 169 Rice Avenue, who came before the ZBA requesting a special permit pursuant to RRO Section 17.40.040 to enable him to improve a pre-existing, non-conforming single-family structure by renovating the first floor and adding a second floor to the rear of the structure at 169 Rice Avenue.

Atty. Lou Markakis represented the applicant and asked for a continuance because of the need for an updated plot plan. The ZBA allowed the continuance.

The final item of the evening was a request by Daybelys Delarosa Paulino for a variance of RRO Section 17.36.060(A)(2) to enable the construction of a roof sign (180" width x 15" height) with the name of her business, Tulum Taqueria, at 425 Revere Beach Boulevard.

Ms. Delarosa addressed the members, informing the board that the sign will integrate well in the area and will be aesthetically-pleasing. Ward 5 Councillor Angela Gurarino-Sawaya spoke in favor of the new signage. There were no opponents and the board unanimously approved the application.

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their measles vaccine status should consider getting at least an initial dose of the MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine.

Wells presented the Inspectional Services monthly report. He noted that inspectors issued 121 Certificates of Fitness and 38 certificates after reinspection. They also responded to eight interior complaints and performed a pool and spa inspection.

In the food department, inspectors performed 36 routine inspections, eight reinspections, six inspections for food complaints, two pre-opening inspections, and 35 temporary food inspections.

The ISD issued 127 citations for improper ac-

cumulation of trash and garbage, four for carts (barrels) out at an improper time, 76 for overflowing dumpsters, 343 for improper storage and placement of trash, and 75 for unclean/unsanitary land (which is for overgrowth of weeds, etc.), and one for an unsafe structure.

The members approved issuing a Body Art Individual Practitioner license to Katherine Peguero and a Body Art Establishment license to Kat Beauty Co. after Buck told the members that her department had inspected the premises and that the establishment met all of the required criteria for issuance of a license.

Buck noted that a re-

quest for a chicken-keeping license has been submitted, but that the applicant still has to resolve some issues before the board can vote to issue a license.

With the formal conclusion of the items on the agenda, Revere resident Wayne Rose addressed the board regarding the issue of overflowing dumpsters throughout the city, which Rose said "is a big problem in our city. We also have thousands of rats in the state yard. When I say thousands, I mean thousands."

Wells also noted that his department has issued many violations for overflowing dumpsters in the past few weeks after hiring a person specifically for that task.

Wells said he had contacted DCR the day before to address the problem in the state yard. "I agree there is a huge issue down

there," Wells said. "There is overgrown vegetation, trash, and debris in the yard, and overflowing dumpsters from the trash coming off the beach."

"We have to have a solution there because the rats are running from the marsh across the street into the new buildings, and also by the Markey Bridge," said Rose. "There had to be a hundred rats running around there, and they're all from the dumpsters there."

Rose added that dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs contribute to the problem because dog feces is an attractant to rodents.

Wells noted that the city has done a lot in recent years to control the problem, with other cities contacting Revere to ask about the city's success in controlling the rodent population, "but it's never going to go away."

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"What's Cooking, Revere?" is a cooking program with various hosts with the purpose to highlight many different cuisines and cultures in the community. This week, the cuisine is that of Peru. In celebration of Peruvian Independence Day on July 28th, episode hosts Estaphany, Liana, and Jaden, a vibrant local Revere family, were in the kitchen studio to guide us through crafting a traditional Peruvian dish- Papa a la Huancaína. Estaphany, more known as the Revere Public School Family Liaison, Liana, of El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts, and Jaden, their grandson and son, work together on this meal and talk about family traditions. Watch this episode of "What's Cooking, Revere?" on YouTube or almost daily on the Community Channel over the next few weeks.

The City of Revere in collaboration with Concilio Latino held a Peruvian flag raising ceremony last Friday in honor of Peru's Independence Day. The ceremonial flag raising aired live on RevereTV and is now replaying on the Community Channel. The ceremony was followed by entertainment, dancing, and cultural activities for everyone. Video coverage of the event on RTV is hosted by youth correspondent, Mini Khessouane.

The city's Farmers Market this year will be at Revere Beach from July 26th through September 27th every Friday from 12 PM to 4 PM, rain or shine at Waterfront Square! The market accepts SNAP, HIP, WIC, and Senior Vouchers. For assistance with signing up for these programs, visit the Revere Beach Farmers Market Facebook, Instagram or call 3-1-1. If you are interested to see what it is like ahead of time, RevereTV put together a walkthrough video on opening day last week. Watch this video to get to know some of the vendors and see what it is all about. You can view the coverage in between programming on the Community Channel or on YouTube at your convenience. Don't miss this opportunity to buy fresh local fruits and vegetables for the whole family at the Revere Beach Farmers Market.

RevereTV is still airing exclusive coverage from this year's Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival. Watch a full program that includes the opening ceremony, a special report and walkthrough of the sculptures, and the awards ceremony at the end. Each segment is posted individually to YouTube while short snippets can be found on Instagram. For coverage like this and all other community events, follow RevereTV on all social media platforms. Instagram includes the quickest updates including weekly PSAs in a handful of languages to stay in the loop with short city announcements and information.

RTV GOV has a new heavily scheduled rotation of the latest meetings from the Council Chambers. This week's schedule includes replays of the Legislative Affairs Sub-Committee, Revere City Council, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Revere High School Building Committee, and Revere Board of Health. All meetings play live on RTV GOV and YouTube. Watch government meetings at your convenience on the RevereTV YouTube page.

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# Two more dreams come true at Jack Satter House

Special to the Journal

Lisa Furtak and Sherry Allen, residents of Jack Satter House, are the latest beneficiaries of Hebrew SeniorLife's Power a Dream program, which grants deeply meaningful dreams to senior residents.

Both women, avid fans of musical theater, were thrilled to attend a live performance of the Tony Award-winning "Hadestown" at the Boch Center Wang Theatre in Boston. "Hadestown" reimagines the Greek myth of Orpheus and Eurydice, blending elements of folk, jazz, and blues. For Lisa, it was her first time experiencing a Broadway show, and for Sherry, it was her first live performance



From left: Sherry Allen and Lisa Furtak

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since the 1970s.

Margie Glou, a Power a Dream volunteer, accompanied Lisa and Sherry on their memorable trip. "It was an amazing afternoon!" Allen said of their adventure.

Hebrew SeniorLife's Power a Dream program allows family members and staff to nominate residents of supportive living communities to receive a

dream of a lifetime. These dreams can range from a motorcycle ride to a New England Patriots game or a visit with beloved family. The program offers recipients a spirit-lifting and hope-giving experience, reminding them that life continues to hold excitement and possibility.

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also taught an upper level Biology class that evolved into Advanced Placement Biology. I taught Anatomy/Physiology. Hundreds of students have taken that class over the years. These students are working in healthcare all over Massachusetts and beyond. I taught Oceanography. Some of my favorite memories are the result of that class. I took a workshop that included a week on the historic schooner Ernestina. The Ernestina was a gift to the people of the United States from the people of Cape Verde. I ultimately became a crew member and was able to bring students on board. Those trips became their favorite memories of school. I eventually taught Advanced Placement Environmental Science. It is, in my opinion, the most important and relevant course at Revere High School."

Eatough reflected on his many favorite memories at RHS. "A student, Anthony, was confined to a wheelchair because he had a degenerative disorder. He wanted to take Oceanography. The class included field trips to the beach, rocky intertidal zone, and the marsh. I was certain we could do this and we

did. He was an invaluable member of the team collecting robust data at the marsh and making sure others followed protocols. He passed shortly after graduation but I will never forget him or his classmates and that shared experience."

"The Urban Coyote Field Study is among my most memorable experiences. I had started working with Boston College's Urban Ecology Field Studies program. At that time sightings of coyotes in Revere and surrounding communities started to increase. I proposed conducting research on urban coyote populations to see how they were utilizing the spaces and perhaps address concerns people had. Several students and parents became involved in trapping coyotes and tracking using radio transmitter collars. This involved driving around the Greater Boston area late at night with an antenna out the windows. Several articles were written for science journals and education magazines. Several books referenced the study as well."

As he settles into retirement, Eatough will certainly miss his colleagues and students. "The last few

years have been challenging for a variety of reasons. Some, like a global pandemic, politics, racism, economics, even climate change, are beyond the control of individuals. They brought most of us closer as we worked together to help our students thrive today and in the future. I worry that some changes have left out students less prepared for the rigors of higher education. I will miss my students. They aspire to succeed and be good people, they are kind to each other, they are not divided by differences that are so divisive in other contexts and communities. They have been kind to me and have sustained me through difficult days. Saying goodbye to my students was very hard."

As for retirement, Eatough has no current plans. "There are a ton of opportunities but I'm not looking for anything that resembles a full time job."

"I am grateful for those who sustained me at every stage of my career. I do feel blessed. Several people have been very generous with their appreciation for what I have done. Honestly, I feel as though I have received far more than I have ever given."

# School Committee remembers Tony Mattera

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

At its regular meeting last week, school committee members shared fond words about the late Tony Mattera, an educator and coach in the Revere school system for more than 30 years who most recently served on the committee before he passed away in June after a fight against cancer.

Committee Member Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo said she considered Mattera to be family and a friend and praised him for his ability to simplify complex subjects and make learning enjoyable.

"His unconventional teaching methods, such as lessons with dropping the egg contest from the roof of Lincoln School, microorganisms, and mock stock market investments, showed how innovative he could be when educating our students," said Bronsdon-Rizzo.

"Tony's absence is deeply felt and missed, and his family, friends, students, and colleagues will mourn his passing."

Committee Member John Kingston, a friend of Mattera for over 40 years, read from a Facebook post by Ed Deveau.

Deveau's post highlighted Mattera's love for his family and the community and his commitment to hard work, which was so strong that he served on



The late Anthony 'Tony' Mattera.

the school committee even during his illness.

The post in part stated, "The lesson, one we have heard often, one that bears repeating, and more importantly one lived by and left to us by Tony: live your life as best you can, be the best you can, and enjoy it to the fullest because you never know when or how it will end."

"Tony was a great friend to me, an amazing friend; he never said no. I made all kinds of requests of him and his business and never said no and always said we'll make it work, John," said Kingston.

Committee Members Aisha Milbury-Ellis and Anthony Caggiano both offered their condolences to Mattera's wife, Denise, and son, Max, who attended the meeting and called his passing a loss for the community.

"I am going to miss the work that I feel we could

have done on this committee," said Milbury-Ellis.

"I really enjoyed the time. We spoke a lot, and he had no filter, but he was all about the kids," said Caggiano.

Frederick Sannella, who mentioned he hopefully would continue on Mattera's behalf, said, "He really truly enjoyed what he did. He made education fun."

Mayor Patrick Keefe spoke highly of Mattera and his hard work. Keefe, addressing his family members in attendance, said, "He's a very good person. You should be proud of your father; you should be proud of your husband and what he's done for our community."

"We thank you for offering him to us up until the very end."

Superintendent Dianne Kelly spoke to the impact of the Mattera family on the community. His father was an assistant superintendent in the district, other family members are and have been educators in the district, and now there is a new generation of the Mattera Family in Revere education with his son Max, who teaches at the Garfield Middle School.

"You [Max] have adopted his belief of teaching kids in these ways that are unique and different and really engage them in the

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# Forum

## REVERE'S REAL-LIFE TWISTER WAS 10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

It was 10 years ago this week on Monday morning, July 28, that Revere made national news when a tornado touched down at Mill Creek and tracked up Broadway to Brown Circle, leaving a trail of destruction in its wake that can only be described as something that one might see in a war zone.

When area residents awoke Monday and set out on their business for the day, there was no sign or warning of what Mother Nature would have in store for them at 9:34 that morning. But in the course of approximately five terrifying minutes, an F2 tornado -- in all its fury and unpredictability -- swept down Broadway and adjacent streets, causing tremendous damage to businesses, buildings, and homes.

Revere's public safety departments -- our firefighters and police officers -- were on the scene within minutes of the tornado's strike, doing everything they could to restore calm and order and to assist residents, almost all of whom had never witnessed a tornado in their lifetimes and who were in a shell-shocked state. In addition, the outpouring of assistance from Revere's neighboring communities and their public safety personnel in the aftermath of the tornado was heartwarming.

The workers of the city's Department of Public Works labored around the clock to clean the debris that resulted from the tornado and quickly restored a sense of normalcy to neighborhoods that were strewn with wires, trees, branches, and metal objects.

For those who were in the path of the F2 tornado, it is something that they will never forget. Miraculously, despite the immense destruction caused by the twister, which lifted roofs off buildings, blew out windows in City Hall, uprooted large trees, and tossed cars around like Lego toys, nobody was killed and there were no serious injuries.

In this week's Through the Years column, we have reprinted a lengthy excerpt of our front page news story of the Tornado of 2014, which now is a chapter in the city's history. It will stand alone as an incredible weather happening -- the type of which we hope we will never witness again.

## CONGRATULATIONS, BOSTON MAYOR WU

We would like to offer our congratulations and best wishes to Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, who recently announced that she is expecting her third child in January.

Mayor Wu has told the press that she does not plan on taking maternity leave and fully intends to seek re-election next year.

We have no doubt that the mayor's husband, Conor Pawarski, will play a huge role on the homefront, given the incredible demands of the office of mayor.

We wish the mayor and her family all the best in the coming months and we look forward to greeting Boston's first-ever First Baby!

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## GUEST OP-ED

### On Our State Budget

By Maura Healey

I just signed a groundbreaking new budget for our state.

This budget delivers on our shared priorities. It drives our state forward with urgency and purpose.

Massachusetts is the best place in the world to live, work, raise a family, and grow a business. But we face challenges, so we aren't resting. We're going on offense.

We're investing in the areas where we're already leading. But we're not just pushing forward on our #1 ranked schools and our nation-leading childcare policy. We're also tackling our biggest challenges by lowering more household costs and improving transportation.

And we're doing all of this responsibly -- staying within our means and focusing every taxpayer dollar on making life better for everyone who lives and works in our state.

So why is this budget going to make such a big difference? Let me give some examples.

We're making strides on education.

This budget funds Literacy Launch, our plan to

provide high-quality, evidence-based reading instruction to every student from age 3 to grade 3.

We're fully funding the Student Opportunity Act, continuing to provide free breakfast and lunch for every public school student in the state, and fully phasing in the tax cuts we passed last year -- which for families now means the most generous, universal child and dependent tax credit in the nation, at \$440 per child.

We're funding a historic expansion of college access in our state. Building on the success of MassReconnect, which eliminated tuition and fees for students over 25, we're establishing MassEducate.

Massachusetts will now have the most comprehensive free Community College program in the United States.

We'll save money for students and families. We'll open the doors of higher education and career opportunity. And at a time when community colleges are critical partners on workforce training, it will help us build the workforce we need in climate technology, healthcare, advanced man-

ufacturing, and more.

This budget also levels up our work to make transportation both more reliable and more affordable in our state.

It doubles our operating support for the MBTA, and funds the T's reduced fare program for low-income riders. It funds fare-free bus service at our 15 statewide Regional Transit Authorities.

We're using \$250 million of Fair Share funding to leverage \$1 billion of investment capacity for transportation infrastructure -- including roads, bridges, and rails. That could mean as much as \$300 million, right away, for the MBTA Rail Enhancement Program that will accelerate our progress eliminating slow zones.

We're doubling down on our commitment to lead on climate. Last year we made history by investing a full 1% of our state's budget into Energy and Environment. This year, we're doing that again.

Our communities are deeply impacted by climate change already. We saw it in the floods last summer -- and this month. So many communities

dealt with serious damage. So this budget establishes the permanent Disaster Relief Fund.

These investments make us more competitive for employers to stay and grow here. They make it easier for people to afford to live and work here. And we have so much more coming.

Today's budget was possible due to our incredible partnership with the Speaker, Senate President, and the work of the entire legislature.

And we're going to get so much more done together. Right now, the Legislature is working hard to complete more major bills, including on housing costs and economic development.

I know we are going to continue the incredible progress we are making. And we're going to do it in the way we know how -- by coming together and delivering.

In a country that is so divided, that sense of partnership is what makes us so special. It makes us Massachusetts.

*Maura Healey is the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

## FRESH & LOCAL

# Stand-By Salads

servings of vegetables and fruit a day" and "eating the rainbow."

A few of our favorite stand-by salads are tabouli, greek salad, Israeli salad, carrot salad, corn salad, and an Italian salad mix that we can add to lettuce when we serve it. This summer, we're adding a twist with more bean

salads and a few that add fruit to the mix.

### Mediterranean and Middle Eastern

Look for inspiration along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. This region's diet is acclaimed for its healthy use of vegetables as the meal's centerpiece. Many of the offerings in the traditional mezze platter of dips and salads are sold pre-made in supermarkets, as take-out, or at Farmers' Markets. Obviously, these are all fine when made ahead.

Most are relatively easy to make at home and personalize for your tastes. Tabouli recipes typically have parsley, tomato, bulgur, onion, olive oil, lemon juice, and salt as the main ingredients. However, as you move from one culture to another where

this salad is a mainstay, you find variations. Pomegranate seeds are substituted for the tomato, or the ratio of grain to parsley is changed.

Moreover, using tabouli as a grain and herb salad allows creative cooks to experiment. Other grains are substituted for the bulgur, and peppers, cucumbers, and other vegetables are added. Our version adds chickpeas to the mix, which, when working with the grain, makes a complete protein when we have it stuffed in a pita or scooped up with lettuce leaves as a lighter meal.

The same is true for versions of the chopped salad often called Israeli salad but served throughout the region under other names. It contains tomato, onion, and cucumber and can also include pepper, carrot, scallion, and herbs dressed with lemon juice

and olive oil. We find this is better when the ingredients have been together long enough for their flavors to merge.

### From Near and Far

We don't use mayonnaise, so our potato salad and coleslaw recipes are made with oil and vinegar. This makes for a lighter and longer-lasting salad. We also use recipes for these "all-American favorites" from other cultures.

We love German potato salad, salad nicoise, and Asian coleslaw. Cabbage is easy to have on hand, and coleslaw can be a side dish or a sandwich topping and can take on dozens of profiles. Our favorite one has scallions, grated carrots, fennel, and a sprinkle of mustard seeds added to its apple cider vinaigrette.

Classic French grated carrot salad is wonderful with its standard mustardy dressing. However, we make versions with a tad more honey and some raisins added. Recently, we had a container of muhmara, the Middle Eastern red pepper and walnut dip on hand when making carrot salad and decided to mix that in to change the flavor profile. It was a smoky, spicy success.

Think about coming home on a hot summer day to a bowl of something cool and refreshing waiting to fill your dinner plate. Just add some protein from your freezer or left from another meal. Or, you could always pick up a bit of fish or a take-out kabob on the way home.

*Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Email Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.*

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

One smart strategy for summer meals is to always have a hardy, filling salad ready in the refrigerator. These salads, packed with nutrients and accompanied by a side of protein, offer a practical and healthy meal option. They're a great way to achieve the goals of "five



Here are four favorite "stand-by salads:" potato and egg, chickpea, tabouli, and classic French grated carrot salad.

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# Revere sisters raise over \$65K for childhood cancer research

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Revere sisters Kayla and Jordan Martelli turned a lemonade stand into a major fundraiser for childhood cancer research.

Known as "The Lemonettes", Kayla and Jordan started this fundraising effort when they were 8 and 5 years old. Kayla, now 20, is a junior at Merrimack College studying Nursing. Jordan, 17, is a senior at Revere High School and captain of the varsity softball and field hockey teams.

The initial idea behind the Lemonettes started as a summer bucket list item with a desire to make a difference and help those in need. It has now grown into a significant community event that continues



Mayor Patrick Keefe and his wife, Jennifer, attending their first Lemonettes fundraiser as the First Family of Revere.

to bring together neighbors and community officials. Over the past 13 years, Kayla and Jordan have raised over \$65,000.

"When we started the lemonade stand, it was just a fun summer activity, but seeing how much we can

help kids with cancer has really inspired me. I want to be a nurse so I can make a difference in people's lives every day." - Kayla Martelli

"Running the lemonade stand showed me how much even small efforts can help sick kids. It's made me realize how important it is to support and care for others, and I want to keep finding ways to make a difference." - Jordan Martelli

"Kayla and Jordan Martelli have set a remarkable example for other kids in our community. Their dedication to supporting childhood cancer research reflects the compassionate spirit of Revere. They remind us all that even the youngest among us can make a significant impact, and they embody what it means to be a city that truly cares." - Mayor Patrick Keefe.



Kayla and Jordan Martelli, with their parents, Don and Susan Martelli.



The Lemonettes with members of the Revere Fire Department Local 9261FF presenting their annual donation.

# Council supports building department checklist process

By Adam Swift

At last week's meeting, the city council unanimously approved Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya's motion for the building department to develop a checklist for residents wanting to do work on their property.

"Just in the last month alone, I've had four residents come to me irate that they had gone to the building department to see information on permitting," said Guarino-Sawaya. "Although they were given the proper information, they were not given the various departments that they may also need to seek information from. When they began the work, they didn't realize that they may need to seek other approvals, such as a negative determination from the conservation commission because they live in a flood zone or the Rumney Marsh."

Guarino-Sawaya said she has talked to the build-

ing department, and that they are in the process of creating a checklist, but said she wanted to make sure the council stayed on top of the issue.

She said some residents are concerned because they have started projects on their property once they've received a building permit, not realizing they needed additional approvals.

"This should not be happening in this day and age, we should be able to inform residents of the proper procedure that needs to be taken to complete their projects," said Guarino-Sawaya. "Therefore, I am requesting that once a resident comes to the building department seeking a permit - and particularly for fencing, walls, or driveways - they are given a list with other phone numbers and emails that they may be required to contact in respect to their residential areas."

Guarino-Sawaya said

the information is especially important when it comes to conversation laws in areas where there is strict enforcement, such as floodplains and flood zones, as well as near rivers and marshes.

Arcadia Street resident Anthony Parziale said there have been a number of issues regarding the permitting process in his Oak Island neighborhood.

"Five of my neighbors have pavement driveways that they shouldn't have had, and they had to work out deals ... to make conservation happy," he said.

Parziale said the city should consider a process where a building permit is not issued until all permits and approvals that may be required by the city are issued.

Councillor-at-Large Juan Pablo Jaramillo praised Guarino-Sawaya's motion, and said he would also like to see the permitting checklist posted to the city's website.



The Lemonettes with City Councillors Juan Jaramillo and Paul Argenzio and School Committee Member John Kingston.

## Kelly // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ship across all levels of the public education system, including student leaders, teacher leaders, district leaders, and superintendent leaders. We're proud of you."

Kelly was also recently featured in a School CEO

Magazine article that went live on the magazine's website last week. That article can be found at [www.schoolceo.com/a/not-the-same-old-story/](http://www.schoolceo.com/a/not-the-same-old-story/).

"This article came about as a result of the Superintendent of the Year award

I received last year," said Kelly. "The article is about my philosophy of education and learning as well as my personal experiences that have shaped those ideas."



From left, Revere Public School Assistant Superintendent Dr. Richard Gallucci, Dr. Mona Ford Walker, Revere Public School Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly with her award, and Revere Public School Assistant Superintendent Dr. Lourenço Garcia.

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Shown to the right, fresh coffee of all kinds offered by Nefisa Sirat, of Cini Coffee, to customer Abigail Ojeda.



Jaebird Farm offers herbs, small fruits and vegetables, shown in photo, Yaira Corchado and Justine Cruz Corchado.



Revere Party Rentals was at the Grand Opening of the Revere Beach Farmers Market, offering free tattoos, and a host of party rental options. Shown Kelly Excellus, Alani Jones, Owner Joseph Williams, and Celestina Crenshaw.



Representing Senator Lydia Edwards is Councillor Bob Haas III, shown with Executive Director of Revere TV Bob Dunbar, and Trustee of the Revere Public Library Marc and Charlotte Ferrante.



Meg Shimek from the Bread Shop in Melrose offers delicious fresh baked breads.



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Lorena Escolero from Revere Housing Coalition is joined by Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya.



Miro Matcharashvili from Farmer Dave's brings in more fresh tomatoes.



Nadia Hasabelli chooses her fresh vegetables at the Revere Beach Farmers Market.

## News Brief //

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Northeast Metro Tech in its quest to ensure all students receive the high-quality education they deserve and will cherish for a lifetime."

Superintendent DiBarri. "Please join me in welcoming him to the Northeast community."

Barden is an experienced educator who has been teaching since 2001, and who spent the last nine years serving as Supervising Principal at Methuen High School. Mr. Barden has demonstrated considerable leadership at Methuen High School and will bring his vast knowledge, experience and compassion to Northeast. Barden will replace Principal Carla Scuzarella.



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Richard M. Barden, who has been appointed to be the next Principal of Northeast Metro Tech, stands outside of the school.

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# City Council approves parking, transportation transfers

By Adam Swift

Traffic and parking has long been a big point of contention in the city, but at last week's city council meeting, there was some good financial news regarding vehicles parked and traveling through Revere.

The council approved a transfer of rental car fees and other revenue generated from cars currently parked at Wonderland to the high school stabilization fund that was created earlier this year.

"I've had a lot of requests, and (Ward 5) Councilor Angela Guarino-Sawaya was one of them, letting us know it would be a great idea to put these revenues generated from that land into the stabilization fund," said city finance director Richard Viscay. "The adminis-

tration tends to agree, and what you see before you is a transfer of all the money into that fund for the fiscal year ending in 2024."

The total amount of the transfer is \$483,076.29, said Viscay.

"That will pay for a couple of permits, I guess," said Councilor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto, who has raised questions about the city's ability to fund the new high school project. "I think it is a great idea, anything that prevents an override."

Guarino-Sawaya said she was proud of her motion to transfer the rental car fees into the high school stabilization fund.

"We are going to be raising many, many dollars just by this motion alone by getting this money from the cars that are

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By Melissa Moore-Randall

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Raffaele Scalzi

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# CALDARELLI RECEIVES O'BRIEN SCHOLARSHIP



Congratulations to senior Lauren Caldarelli, Class of 2024, on being this year's Merrimack College James W. O'Brien Scholarship recipient. The O'Brien Scholarship is a four year, full tuition scholarship that is awarded to one St. Mary's student applying to Merrimack College.

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# TRIF3ECTA BOSTON PERFORMS AT REVERE SUNDAY NIGHT CONCERT SERIES

Cary Shuman Photos

TriF3ecta Boston, a high-energy music and entertainment group, put on an electrifying show as part of the Revere Sunday Night Concert Series on the American Legion Lawn.

The dynamic trio of John Kelly, Joy Balzotti, and Ricki Erik sang disco, rhythm and blues, dance, and today's hottest hits before a large and appreciative crowd, with some guests dancing to the music on the outdoor dance floor.



The dynamic musical group, TriF3ecta, Joy Balzotti, Ricki Erik, and John Kelly, bring their high-energy musical performance to the stage at the Revere Sunday Night Concert Series.



From left, School Committee Member Anthony Caggiano, Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky, School Committee Member John Kingston, Councillor-at-Large Bob Haas III, and Councillor-at-Large Tony Zambuto.



Revere Director of Elder Services Deb Peczka (center) is pictured with a contingent of seniors at the Revere Sunday Night Concert Series on the American Legion Lawn.



Joyce DiNuccio, pictured with her granddaughter, Brooke DiNuccio, and Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto.



Former RPL Children's Services Librarian Lona Frongillo (left) pictured with her daughter, Tammy Frongillo, Kathy Amore, and Jennifer Amore-Angiulo.

## Parking // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

being parked there until (the high school) is built," she said.

The council also approved an appropriation of \$122,640 for the city's Transportation Network Assessment. That money comes to the city through Uber and Lyft rides that originate in Revere.

"We receive one dime for each ride originating in the city," said Viscay.

The money from the

rideshares is used to address the impact of transportation on city roads, bridges, and other infrastructure, Viscay said.

"This year, during budget talks, we thought it was a good idea to appropriate the money for the operation of the Blue Bike networks in the city, as well as a lot of the traffic calming measures that are coming before you," said Viscay.

Councillor-at-Large Robert Haas, III asked if the 10 cent fee was a state-generated number or if the city could raise the rate.

"There is no local option to increase it right now," said Viscay.

Viscay noted that the \$122,640 in fees translates to over 1.22 million rides that originated in Revere in 2023.

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Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr.

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Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya (second from left) joins friends Patrice Botti, Nancy Russo, Tammy Frondillo, and Toni DePaolis for a photo at the Sunday Night Concert Series performance by the group, TriF3ecta.



Former Revere High School star third baseman Stephen Fiore, with his wife, Annmarie Fiore, and their children, Stephen Fiore and Lucia Fiore, pictured at the Revere Sunday Night Concert Series.

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# OBITUARIES

## Barbara Dean

She dedicated herself to providing crucial medical care to women and children in conflict zones

Barbara E. Dean, 73, a longtime resident of Orleans, passed away on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at Cape Cod Hospital.

Born in Boston on August 11, 1950, Barbara was one of two children of the late Frederick and Helen (Phair) Dean. She was raised in Revere and was a proud graduate of Revere High School in 1968. Barbara went on to earn her bachelor's degree in European history from UMASS Amherst. Barbara continued her educational journey and obtained a master's degree in healthcare management from Leslie University.

After graduating, she spent five enriching years living in San Francisco before returning to Boston to embark on a career at Tufts Dental School. Barbara's work then took her to Geneva, Switzerland, where she made a significant impact working for the World Health Organization and later with the International Organization for Migration. She dedicated herself to providing crucial medical care to women and children in conflict zones, showcasing her unwavering compassion and dedication.

Upon retirement, Barbara settled on The Cape, where she was known for her sharp intellect, quick wit, and boundless generosity. Her friendships spanned across the globe, a testament to her warm and welcoming nature.



Barbara will be dearly missed by all who have had the privilege of knowing her. In her memory, may we carry forward her legacy of kindness and dedication to helping others.

Barbara was the beloved longtime partner of Bob Wilcox, loving sister of Marilyn Dean and her husband, Stephen Barry of Melrose and cherished aunt of Alex and Evan Barry.

Relatives and friends gathered in honor of Barbara's life during Visiting Hours at the Robinson Funeral Home, 809 Main St., Melrose, on Tuesday, July 30 and are invited to gather again today, Wednesday, July 31 at 9:45 a.m. before leaving in procession to Holy Cross Cemetery, 175 Broadway, Malden, for a Graveside Service to be celebrated at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, gifts in memory of Barbara may be made to the Alzheimer's Family Support Center of Brewster at Alzheimer's Family Support Center Donations

## Nellie Serino

Time spent with family always brought her the most joy

Nellie T. (Palladino) Serino passed peacefully on July 27 surrounded by her loving family after a courageous and hard-fought battle with Bulbar-Onset ALS.

Nellie was an Independence Day baby and celebrated her 94th birthday on July 4.

Nellie was born and raised in Revere, graduating from Revere High School with the class of 1948. After graduation, Nellie was employed by John Hancock Life Insurance in Boston.

She met her future husband, Alfonso Serino, and they were married in 1952.

In 1961, Nellie and Al moved to Swampscott, where they raised their three girls. Nellie was especially fond of spending time with her grandchildren, who knew her as just Gram, and later, her great-grandchildren. Time spent with family always brought Gram the most joy. She loved trying new recipes and her gravy and meatballs were the best!

Nellie was the daughter of the late Pasquale Palladino and Flora (Coppola) Palladino. She was predeceased by her siblings: Arthur Palladino, Dorothy Dudley, and Marie DiGiacommo. Nellie was the wife of the late Alfonso Serino, with whom she shared 61 years of marriage. She leaves behind her daughters and their husbands: Donna and Bert Pelletier of Lynn, Susan and Kenneth Morrison of Tewksbury and Karen and Ronald Pronovost of Haverhill. She also was the "Gram" of Jaclyn Ringland, Jenna Cerat, Matthew Morrison, Brian Morrison, Lauren English and Leah Pronovost. Her seven very special great-grandchildren will miss her terribly but will remember her fondly.



Visiting hours will be held today, Wednesday, July 31 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Vertuccio Smith and Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere. Funeral services will follow. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Boston Children's Hospital Trust, 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston, MA 02215, or to a charity of your choice. For online condolences, please visit: [www.vertuciosmithvazza.com](http://www.vertuciosmithvazza.com).

## Grace Ippolito

She made her home beautiful and provided her family with an abundance of love and happy memories

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours today, Wednesday, July 31st from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St. Revere for Grace (Danna) Ippolito who died peacefully at the Kaplan Family Hospice in Danvers following a long illness. She just celebrated her 84th birthday on July 2nd. A funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Thursday, August 1st beginning at 9 a.m. followed by a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church, 250 Revere St. Revere. Entombment will immediately follow in Holy Cross Community Mausoleum, Malden.

Grace was born in East Boston to her late parents, Vincenzo James Danna and Josephine R. (Spitaleri) Danna. She was one of three children who were raised and educated in Everett.

Grace was a graduate of Everett High School, Class of 1957. Due to her intellect, she was double promoted and graduated at 16 years old.

Grace was married in 1961 to her loving and loyal husband, Giovanni Ippolito. The couple remained in Everett, then eventually settled in Revere. She was a very loving and proud mother of two daughters, Lisa and Grace JoAnn. Grace made her home beautiful and provided her family with an abundance of love and happy memories.

She later returned to the workforce as a legal secretary when her children were of age. Her career spanned over 25 years of professional and devoted service. During this time, she also welcomed her five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Grace traveled extensively with her husband and family. She especially enjoyed taking cruises. Grace and her close friends enjoyed planning Halloween parties for their children and neighbors.



She was an avid reader and enjoyed crocheting. As an avid animal lover, she extended that love to her cats. Her happiest moments were spent entertaining her family for holidays, showcasing her famous baklava dessert.

The beloved wife of 63 years to Giovanni "John" Ippolito of Revere, she was the loving mother of Lisa Cautillo and her husband, Carmine of Winthrop and Grace J. Ippolito - Mondello of Revere and her late husband, Michael Mondello; the dear sister of Barbara Cardarelli and her husband, Leonard of Tewksbury and Nancy D'Anna of Revere; the cherished grandmother of Anthony Petrola and his wife, Megan, Adriana Grimaldi and her husband, Luca, Casandra Petrola, James Cautillo and his wife, Ashley and Leah Cautillo and the treasured great grandmother of Audrina and Briana Petrola, Vincenzo and Dante Grimaldi and Amara Cautillo. She is also lovingly survived by several nieces and nephews.

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

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## William DiSisto

A man of service and dedication and a loving pillar of the Revere community

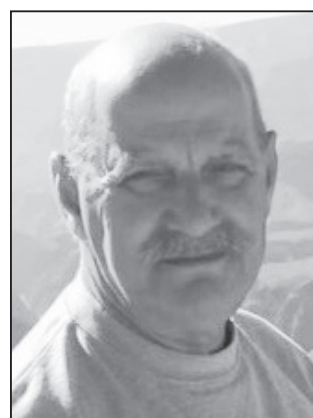
William A. DiSisto, also known as "Dee Dee," a thoughtful soul and loving pillar of the Revere community, passed away at the age of 80.

Born in Revere on September 11, 1943, William remained a lifelong resident of the city he held dear. He was the loving son of the late Donato DiSisto and Mary (Morechi), and dear brother of the late Annette LaMarca and her late husband, Alphonse LaMarca.

A man of service and dedication, William shined brightly in his career and personal life, touching the lives of many with his supportive nature and warm heart.

Billy proudly served his country in the United States Army. William's dedication to his work was evident in his long and fruitful career with the United States Postal Service, where he held the influential position of Supervisor. His commitment, diligence and hard work led to him retiring honorably from the service. However, his service did not stop there. With his love for sports and the local community, William worked as an usher at Fenway Park for 22 years and at the Boston Garden, an experience he cherished deeply. These roles allowed him to engage with people and make countless friends, further highlighting his warm, welcoming, and engaging personality.

Beyond his professional life, William was a beacon of love and support in his family. He was an adored uncle to Loreena LaMarca-Celona and her



late husband, James, Michael LaMarca and Alfred LaMarca. He was also a cherished great-uncle to Meghann Celona-Sullivan and her husband, Timothy and a caring great-great uncle to Christopher and Logan Sullivan. His love, kindness, and thoughtful nature will be deeply missed by all who knew him, but his legacy will forever live on in their hearts.

A Visitation was held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Tuesday, July 30 followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Revere. Private Interment. For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com)

We invite all who knew and loved William to celebrate his life by sharing their memories and photographs on his memorial page. Let's come together to honor this remarkable man and the beautiful life he lived.

## Mattera // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

learning and make it fun to be in school," said Kelly.

"Every time I look at you, I'm going to look at you, and I'm going to think of how proud your dad is at what you're doing in the classroom and the lives that you're continuing to change, third-generation of the Mattera Family impacting kids in Revere."

The last person to offer words of remembrance was Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Inclusion Lourenço Garcia, who shared a powerful story about speaking to a man in tears at Mattera's

wake who said Mattera was the reason they were alive that day.

"It touched me profoundly because those comments are important coming from somebody that left the city for probably 15 years — he told me he lives in a different city here in Massachusetts — but he came all the way just to see his friend, somebody that made a difference in his life," said Garcia.

Following Garcia's remarks, Keefe offered a moment of silence in memory of Mattera.



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# CROWN FRIED CHICKEN HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AT 91 CENTENNIAL AVE.

Cary Shuman Photos

Mayor Patrick Keefe joined business owners Khadija Afdal and Mohammed Fdal at the ribbon-cutting ceremony and grand opening of their new restaurant, Crown Fried Chicken, which is located at 91 Centennial Ave.. in Sandler Square.

Mayor Keefe offered his congratulations on behalf of the city and noted the recent emergence of new businesses in the thriving Shirley Avenue/Sandler Square neighborhood.

“We know small businesses are the fabric of our community,” said Keefe. “This is four small businesses [in the neighborhood] all supporting each other. It’s easy for us to

come and cut the ribbon. It’s all the blood, sweat, and tears, and personal finances that you put into it. We’re here to support you and make sure that you have the resources to thrive. It does take a village to make sure that is a success.”

Keefe also credited Revere business consultant Laura Christopher, “who has been a big part of championing businesses in the community.”

Khadija Afdal told the gathering, “It’s a pleasure having all of you to come to Crown Fried Chicken. This is a new business. We are here to serve the community and provide a good quality of food. Thank you so much.”

Mohammed Fdal said the location previously



The other businesses located in the Sandler Square neighborhood turned out to welcome Crown Fried Chicken to the community.

hosted other businesses since 2018. “Today is a rebirth of this location un-

der a new name and new product, but with the same mindset,” said Moham-

med. “We are part of the Revere community and have been supported from

the beginning to the end by the city and the state. Thank you so much.”



Business owner Khadija Afdal (left) pictured with Hind Ouicheddane and Walter Franco of M & T Bank.



Revere Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Erica Porzio congratulates Khadija Afdal on the opening of Crown Fried Chicken at the July 25 ribbon-cutting ceremony.

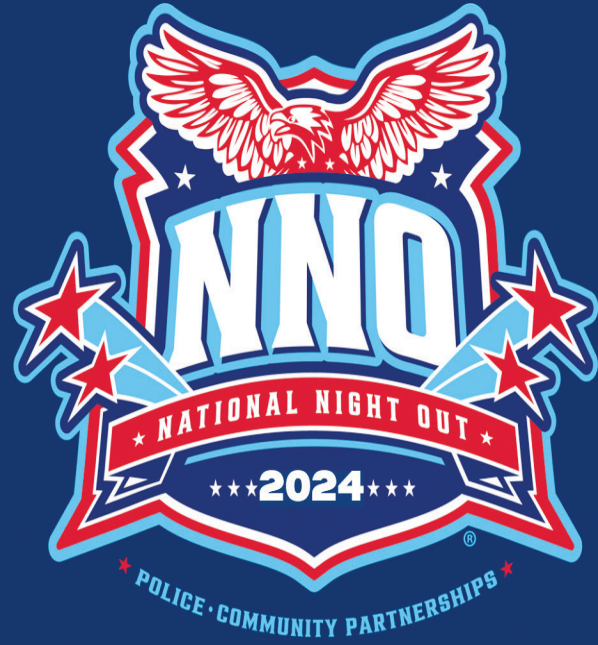


Mayor Patrick Keefe, School Committee Member John Kingston, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Rep. Jeff Turco, and Councilor-at-Large Bob Haas III (representing the Office of Sen. Lydia Edwards) join Mohammed Fdal and Khadija Afdal and family at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Crown Fried Chicken, a new restaurant located at 91 Centennial Ave.

Shown to the right, Mayor Patrick Keefe, pictured with Legislative Aide Rose Burns (left) and Communications Associate Taylor Giuffre-Catalano (right) at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Crown Fried Chicken, located at 91 Centennial Ave.



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<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>5:45AM - POWER YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) (3)</p> <p>6:00AM - STRENGTH &amp; CORE - NIKKI (55 MIN.) (2)</p> <p>9:00AM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) *</p> <p>10:00AM - BOOTCAMP - ANGELA (45 MINS) (3)</p> <p>5:30PM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) (263)</p> <p>6:30PM - BOOTCAMP - ANGELA (45 MIN.) (3)</p>	<p><b>SATURDAY</b></p> <p>8:00AM - POWER YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) (3)</p> <p>9:00AM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) *</p> <p>10:00AM - SPIN - CHERYL (40 MIN.) (2)</p> <p>10:35AM - BOOTCAMP - DANIEL (45 MIN.) (263)</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>6:00 AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) (263)</p> <p>6:00 AM - BOOTCAMP - DANIEL (45 MIN.) (263)</p> <p>7:00 AM - ZUMBA - MIGUEL (50 MIN.) *</p> <p>9:00 AM - SPIN - CHERYL (45 MIN.) (2)</p> <p>10:00 AM - STRENGTH &amp; STRETCH - CHERYL (50 MIN.) (2)</p> <p>6:00 PM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) *</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY</b></p> <p>9:00AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) (263)</p> <p>10:00AM - BARRE - NIKKI (55 MIN.) (3)</p>

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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

## MALTEZ ADDRESSES SUMNER TUNNEL CLOSURE IMPACT

**CHELSEA**—Although the Sumner Tunnel is only scheduled for a one-month shutdown in July for repairs this year, as opposed to two months last summer, the closure has still caused frustration for local commuters. City Manager Fidel Maltez said he understands that frustration and that the city is doing the best it can on its end to address some of the challenges. “I understand how frustrating it can be to experience delays and disruptions to our daily routine,” said Maltez.

“Chelsea is always the epicenter of rush hour traffic, compounded dramatically by the closure of the Sumner Tunnel, work on the Tobin Bridge and several ongoing projects in our neighboring communities. We are doing our best with the resources available to keep traffic flowing.”

Maltez said there are also several other factors, impacting congestion and traffic in the city, including the several gate closings for the morning and evening commuter rail passing through the city and the many drawbridge openings throughout the day to allow vessel movement on the Chelsea River. “The City is working closely with all departments to manage and mitigate the impact of these projects on our community,” said Maltez.

The city manager said some of the steps the city is taking to address the situation include: Increased Traffic Monitoring: We have increased patrols as best we can in the affected areas to monitor traffic flow and address any issues that arise. Our officers also direct traffic during peak hours to ensure smoother movement.

Enhanced Communication: We are coordinating with construction companies to get timely updates on project timelines and any potential changes affecting traffic patterns. This information is being shared with the public through our website, social media channels, and local news outlets. Alternative Routes and Signage: We are working to provide better signage for alternative routes to help drivers avoid the most congested areas. We encourage residents to use these routes whenever possible to reduce overall traffic volume in the construction zones. Unfortunately, many commuters only rely on apps like “waze or google maps” to guide them during their commute, minimizing the effectiveness of any signage we deploy. Public Feedback: We value the input of our residents and are actively seeking feedback on how we can improve our traffic management efforts. We listened to your concern about the closing of Chestnut Street between Fourth and Third Streets.

Your input was looked into, and we agree that the closing of Chestnut Street was not helpful. We have since removed it from our traffic plans, so we thank you for your suggestion. “We appreciate your patience and understanding; these projects are necessary improvements to our region’s infrastructure,” said Maltez. “If you have any further questions or need additional

assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office directly.” Maltez also noted that the weekday closures are well past the half-way mark, with the Sumner Tunnel scheduled to reopen on weekdays on Monday, August 5. There will continue to be weekend closures of the Sumner Tunnel through the fall. “This morning, I rode the 111 bus with the secretary of transportation,” said Maltez on Tuesday.

“During the bus ride, the secretary of transportation emphasized that the Sumner Tunnel will open on August 5. I am certain that once the tunnel reopens, a lot of the regional impacts will decrease. “They are not going to go away, because we are Chelsea and a gateway to Boston, but they will decrease substantially.” Maltez is also encouraging commuters, when possible, to take advantage of public transportation.

“The MassDOT and the city are really encouraging citizens to ditch the drive,” said Maltez. “Get out of your car, reduce congestion, and use public transportation, not only now, but in the future.”

## ZBA APPROVES PROJECT ON PRINCETON STREET

**EAST BOSTON**—At a hearing last week, the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) voted to approve a project at 261 Princeton Street that would bring multiple units to the area.

According to Attorney Jeff Drago, who presented the proposal to the ZBA on behalf of the applicant, the project includes demolishing two existing structures at the site to build a new three-story condominium building with four units.

Additionally, the project is slated to contain two exclusive roof decks and two tandem parking spaces. Moreover, the building will have two two-bedroom and two three-bedroom units.

“We feel that this project is really going to clean up this site, which is predominantly two structures [and] very dated,” said Drago.

Drago indicated that this proposal has been updated recently with hopes of meeting requirements under new zoning, which was adopted by the Boston Zoning Commission in April.

“This project was filed about a year and a half ago, prior to any knowledge of what the actual code was going to change to for this area,” said Drago.

“My client worked, listened to the comments, and the plan to make these changes over the last months during our deferral period.”

Per Drago, the initial project called for a 43-foot building with “an additional story” that contained seven units and four parking spaces.

The project site is located in the East Boston Residential (EBR)-3 subdistrict, and Drago stated that the proposal now complies with all of the area’s dimensional regulations.

However, it should be noted that the project does not comply with the maximum number of units allowed in the subdistrict, which is three units. Drago was asked about this when ZBA Board Members asked questions. Specifically, David Aiken, a ZBA Board Member,

## ZUMIX HOSTS ANNUAL WALK FOR MUSIC



DEREK KOUYOUJIAN PHOTO  
One of the inaugural events of Eastie Week is the Walk For Music presented by Zumix. It is a parade to celebrate music and community as teachers, students, and their supporters of the East Boston educational resource march with a brass band and celebrate the creativity of East Boston.

asked why they could not comply with the three-unit maximum. Drago chalked this up to financial feasibility, indicating that the project is “barely financially feasible” at four units.

As the hearing progressed, Chris Breen from the Office of Neighborhood Services deferred judgment to the ZBA and noted that the Eagle Hill Civic Association opposed the project.

Moreover, Elaine Donovan from Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata’s office, citing community opposition, indicated that Coletta Zapata opposed the project.

While there was some opposition to the project, a few attendees spoke out in support during the public testimony portion of the hearing.

Krystle Szala, a resident, said she was in “strong approval” of the project and added, “I do think four units is totally fine there. I believe the current building and the garage behind it is in desperate need of a complete overhaul, and this design fits within the rest of the neighborhood.”

Another resident, Margaux King, echoed this sentiment and also said, “I think it would be great to have some family-friendly housing in the neighborhood.”

Ultimately, the ZBA unanimously approved a motion to approve the project with the proviso that windows be included on both side elevations.

“I think it’s a reasonable compromise given this transition period between zoning codes,” said Aiken.

## DEMARIA “DISHEARTENED” BY COUNCIL’S VOTE AGAINST REVITALIZING EVERETT SQUARE

**EVERETT**—Mayor Carlo DeMaria said he was “disheartened” by the City Council’s 6-4 vote to not approve an order requesting to borrow \$3 million to fund improvements to Everett Square.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria prepares to deliver remarks about his plans to revitalize Everett Square during Monday night’s Council meeting. Also pictured are City Council President Robert Van Campen (left) and City Clerk Sergio Cornelio.

During an appearance at Monday night’s meeting, Mayor DeMaria articulated well his vision for historic Everett Square and noted that the actual cost

of the \$5 million project would decrease by 80 percent to roughly \$1 million, thanks to a \$1.4 million grant by the Mass. Gaming Commission and the anticipated \$2 million in state earmarks (funds for a specific purpose) secured by Rep. Joseph McGonagle and Sen. Sal DiDomenico.

But by a 6-4 margin (the measure needed eight votes for passage), the motion was defeated. Councilors Michael Marchese, Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Peter Pietrantonio, John Hanlon, Holly Garcia, and Stephanie Martins voted against the funding request while Councilors Robert Van Campen, Katy Rogers, Wayne Matewsky and Anthony DiPierro voted in favor of the measure.

The defeat of the motion caught many by surprise as DeMaria’s previous revitalization projects across the city – notably Glendale Park and Wehner Park, for example – have been total successes. DeMaria envisioned a newly designed Everett Square that would bring residents together for community events (such as the recent Farmer’s Market that drew 1,000 visitors) and stimulate economic activity for stores and restaurants in Everett Square.

DeMaria also said he would be willing to expand outdoor dining options in the square. “And in a redesign, you wouldn’t have to shut down School Street to traffic. You could enjoy the whole area.”

Reacting to the vote, DeMaria said, “I’m disheartened that the proposal failed Monday night, but I will continue to fight and to find creative ways to get Everett Square cleaned up. I know there are a lot of residents that feel the same way I do about the square.”

### Council debates the measure

In his opening remarks to the Council, Mayor DeMaria noted that Everett Square “is not in the best condition and we have a blighted building [Bouvier Building] that’s been empty and dilapidated for a long time and I truly feel if we did some upgrades in that area, it would give some impetus to someone who wants to try and redevelop the square. Everyone talks about how the square is not a community-oriented square. This [redesign project] is a way for us to make it more user-friendly.”

DeMaria also mentioned the possible relocation of a downsized City Hall to Everett Square.

Ward 1 Councilor Wayne Matewsky said if the Council would approve a motion [made

by Councilor Katy Rogers and co-sponsored by Councilors Matewsky and DiPierro] that the City acquire the Bouvier Building by eminent domain, “I would vote in favor” of the plans to redesign Everett Square. That motion was approved unanimously by the Council.

Matewsky criticized some of the business owners in the square for not adequately maintaining their properties.

Rogers brought up some of the concerns expressed by residents about a newly designed Everett Square, including traffic, pedestrian safety, parking, and the installation of a consolidated bus stop.

“I do think that this entire discussion needs to be in tandem with the Bouvier Building and potentially taking that by eminent domain,” said Rogers. “However, I will be proceeding to support this tonight, because I do realize that that’s a separate project.”

Rogers also received an assurance from Mayor DeMaria that the redesign process would involve residents’ feedback on the project.

Councilor Martins said she could not support the project with the addition of parking spaces in the square.

“The people of Everett will always find me voting on the side of progress – I will always vote to make things look better,” said Martins, noting the benefits of having grants for the project. “But I can’t support something that doesn’t add additional parking. If we’re bringing all these people, all these activities – as it is right now, sometimes we have to use the Walgreen’s parking lot, the bank parking lot – the two municipal lots are not enough to support what’s going on. I will be a “no” [vote], until there is a project that adds parking to the area.”

Councilor-at-Large Alcy Jabouin said that improvements to the square “means helping the businesses with storefronts.”

“I think the money would be well spent on helping business owners to revamp their business properties,” added Alcy Jabouin. “So I won’t be voting for this piece tonight.”

### Personal overtones to the vote

There were some indications that the vote wasn’t so much a referendum on the merits of mayor’s well-thought-out proposal but a personal one for some of the councilors. Council President Robert Van Campen intervened

quickly during a testy exchange between Mayor DeMaria and Councilor Pietrantonio at one point in the discussion.

Interestingly, DeMaria pointed out that Pietrantonio had made the revitalization of the square one of his goals in his successful campaign for a council seat last fall.

Pietrantonio raised the idea of the possible construction of a public park in the square. He also strongly supported the demolition of the Bouvier Building.

## CONSULTANTS PRESENT REVISED 3A COMPLIANCE PROPOSAL TO TOWN PLANNING BOARD

**WINTHROP**—RKG Consultants presented a revised plan for potential compliance with the MBTA 3A Communities Act at a meeting last week with the Planning Board.

The proposal would create overlay districts in the Seal Harbor and Governor’s Park areas which already contain more dwelling units than would be required under the 3A overlay district.

In addition, the town would be able to leverage 221 units in the Central Business District to help offset the 3A requirements as a mixed-use offset.

The MBTA 3A zoning requires Winthrop to create zoning for 882 multi-family units as an MBTA adjacent community and submit that plan to the state by the end of the year.

Eric Halvorsen of RKG Consultants said the latest scenario presented to the planning board takes a potential overlay district on Shirley Avenue that was discussed in June off the table.

“What we have done since that last meeting is we took a look at keeping Seal Harbor and Governor’s Park, in terms of boundaries, they are exactly the same as we presented last time,” said Halvorsen. “But there were some comments from planning board members about taking a look at the Shirley Avenue district with the district boundaries themselves, as well as the potential to reduce the minimum lot size in the zoning to see if we could bring some additional parcels into compliance and generate some unit capacity at Shirley Avenue.”

However, Halvorsen said a 3A requirement that one of the zoning districts be at least 50 percent of the total 3A districts made it make more sense to cut down to the Seal Harbor and Governor’s Park districts.

Those two districts total 27.6 acres, with the Governor’s Park district meeting the 50 percent of contiguous acreage requirement under 3A.

Halvorsen said the total unit count for the 3A overlay district in the two districts would be 674 units, a little over the 661 required when the CBD offset is accounted for.

“This allows us to get over the 882, because we are leveraging the Central Business District as our offset district with 221 units,” he said. “With these two districts, it looks like we have at least a compliance scenario.”

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- Set and stick to a routine as a way to manage stress (e.g. for homework, sleep and mealtimes)
- Ensure health needs are met (e.g. physical/immunizations)
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## The HYM Investment Group unveils Mural at Amaya by prominent international artist

Special to the Journal

The HYM Investment Group (HYM) and National Real Estate Advisors, LLC ("National"), have unveiled an 2,700 square foot mural by internationally acclaimed French artist Julien Colombier at Amaya, the first residential building to deliver at Suffolk Downs. The piece was commissioned in partnership with JUST-KIDS, an award-winning art consulting firm who specializes in propelling place-making and public art. Colombier drew inspiration for the mural from the rich biodiversity and natural beauty of the Suffolk Downs neighborhood, including Belle Isle Marsh and Revere Beach. The mural, Colombier's first in the United States, integrates themes of climate resiliency and ecological preservation, aligning with HYM's commitment to prioritizing sustainable design at Suffolk Downs. Colombier's mural will enhance the vibrant and enriching living experience enjoyed by residents of Amaya and serve as an extension of nearby arts and cultural spaces, including The Stage at Suffolk Downs.

Colombier's mural at Amaya is located on the ground floor facade of the building, lining the new Beachmont Plaza and turning the corner onto a brand new Salt Street, well-positioned to welcome visitors to Beachmont Square and residents to their new home at Amaya. The artwork prominently features bright colors and local florals such as Cardinal Flowers, Bird's Foot, Coral Honeysuckle, Great Blue Lobelia and Wild Indigo, that are native to Massachusetts. The mural's blue background was inspired by the many water sources located near the Suffolk Downs site as well as the creative measures that HYM has implemented to mitigate the effects of climate change and rising sea levels. In planning the Suffolk Downs development, HYM commissioned a highly advanced hydraulic model, which informed the inclusion of

the site's floodable parks and purposeful infrastructure, designed to embrace many inevitable impacts of climate change.

"The addition of Julien Colombier's mural at Amaya further solidifies Suffolk Downs as an accessible, sustainable, and dynamic neighborhood that prioritizes art and creativity," said Thomas N. O'Brien, Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer of HYM. "We are honored that Julien chose to make his United States debut with us in Revere, and we look forward to seeing residents and visitors enjoy Julien's mural for years to come."

"We are proud to see our vision come to life at the Amaya project, enhancing the Suffolk Downs community with this expansive public art installation," said Jeffrey Kanne, President and CEO of National Real Estate Advisors, LLC. "We look forward to the positive impact this mural will have on visitors and residents of Amaya."

"The inspiration for this work was the rich variety of local flowers and how to express them artistically, while harmoniously adapting to the architecture as the canvas for this giant painting. For this project I wanted to consider viewers from various distances, and finding the right scale was essential to create something vibrant and groovy, yet still poetic," said artist Julien Colombier.

"We're thrilled to collaborate with HYM, a visionary team that truly understands the profound value of art and culture in creating memorable spaces," said Charlotte Duoit, Founder and Director of JUSTKIDS. "Julien's design perfectly captures the essence of the surrounding area, infusing it with a local flair that invites people to connect, experience and come back!"

First move-ins at Amaya, which was developed in partnership by National and HYM, began in June, with leasing for the property managed by Bozzuto. Amaya features over 34,000 square feet of state-of-the-

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Muralist Julien Colombier, shown in front of the completed mural, integrates themes of climate resiliency and ecological preservation into his United States Debut at Suffolk Downs.

## Sports

### TONY FERULLO CONDUCTS ANNUAL FUN-DAMENTAL BASKETBALL CAMP

Cary Shuman photos

Mystic Valley Regional Charter School boys

basketball head coach Tony Ferullo conducted his annual Fun-damental Basketball Camp July

22-26 at the Immaculate Conception Parish Center in Everett. Ferullo and his staff led instructional

clinics and drills, along with scrimmages, and free throw and 3-point shooting contests.



Coach Ferullo delivers his traditional speech during the awards ceremony, thanking the campers and their parents for being a part of the fun-filled, productive, and life-lessons-teaching basketball experience.



Pictured with Coach Ferullo at the awards ceremony on the final day of camp is Gianluca Mendez of Revere.

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# A not-so-difficult irrigation audit

Special to the Journal

Watering is essential for any natural lawn. Whether using sprinklers, relying on rainfall, or employing other irrigation methods, monitoring your lawn's water intake is crucial for both environmental conservation...and even reducing water bills!

The article below explores how to conduct an irrigation audit and make necessary adjustments to ensure your lawn receives the right amount of water efficiently, thus saving resources and money.

## How to Do a Yard Irrigation Audit

Step 1: Gather the Right Tools

You'll need some basic tools that are both effective and economical. Collect various containers like empty tuna cans, the bottoms of plastic water bottles or soda cans. These can easily capture water without any need for expensive equipment.

You can also check with your local extension agency for plastic cups upon request. It's important to use the same type of containers throughout your lawn to ensure consistency in your measurements. Ensure you have enough

containers to cover various points within the reach of each sprinkler across all irrigation zones of your yard.

### What is a zone?

An irrigation zone in your lawn is a specific area watered by a designated set of sprinklers, controlled independently from other areas. Each zone addresses unique watering needs based on plant types, sun exposure and soil conditions, allowing for efficient water management and healthier lawn growth.

### How many irrigation zones are in my yard?

The amount of irrigation zones are determined by each irrigation system and how many square feet each irrigation head covers. Most irrigation systems come with sprinkler heads that cover 6-9 zones.

Step 2: Place the Cups in the Proper Zones

The next step is figuring out how much water your sprinklers are delivering. Just place cups in each zone to catch the water during a normal irrigation cycle. Once they're set, turn on your sprinkler system for its usual run time.

### How do I locate each zone in my yard?

Check any system documentation or diagrams from when your irrigation system was installed; these often show where each zone's valves are located. Additionally, you can observe the order in which the sprinklers activate. When you turn on a specific zone, the sprinklers that pressurize first are typically closest to that zone's irrigation valve.

Step 3: Measure the Results

After each zone finishes running, check the water in your cups to make sure the amounts are similar. Record the results and proceed to the next zone until you've covered the whole lawn.

You're aiming for a consistent half-inch of water in the lawn of each zone, which adds up to the ideal 1 inch per week—split into two watering sessions. There are some exceptions—shaded regions may need less water than those exposed to full sun to keep disease outbreaks at bay.

Pro Tip: Over-watering can cause diseases in your lawn. Consider turning off your irrigation during rainy seasons and winter,

and watch for signs of thirst in your grass, such as leaves folding inward.

Remember, typical lawns use two kinds of irrigation heads: rotating rotors for large areas and stationary sprays for smaller spots. Since these heads deliver water at different rates, it's crucial to set them to run for the right amount of time. Also, ensure all heads in a zone are the same type, as mixing sprays and rotors in one zone can lead to uneven watering.

Step 4: Make Adjustments

### If your zone is getting too much water...

Now you're ready to adjust your irrigation to get the right amount of water to each zone. If a zone needs more water, you can either:

1) Install larger nozzles or extend the watering time—assuming this doesn't conflict with any HOA rules. Or...

2) Extend the run time, which is the simplest and cheapest solution. If you can't increase the time, then switching to larger nozzles is your next best option.



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Place some sort of measuring cup near your sprinkler system to measure how much water your plants are receiving.

### If your zone is getting too little water...

On the other hand, if a zone is getting too much water, reduce the run time or switch to smaller nozzles.

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## Amaya // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 13

art amenities and 24,000 square feet of dynamic ground-level retail offerings, putting residents in close proximity to a diverse array of shopping, food and beverage options. Situated in Beachmont Square, residents will be connected to a lively community hub of neighborhood retail, open space and civic spaces within the 1.7M square feet, vibrant mixed-use neighborhood serving as a gateway to all of Suffolk Downs. Residents can also enjoy the nearby access to The Track at Suffolk Downs, including The Dog Park, community events, and concerts hosted at The Stage at Suffolk Downs.

Amaya also offers

quick, easy connections to Downtown Boston and major transit hubs, and is located approximately 200 feet from the Beachmont Square Blue Line MBTA station, five minutes from Logan Airport, and 10 minutes from Downtown Boston.

"We're thrilled to have Julien Colombier's new mural adding more color and excitement at Amaya," said General Manager at Amaya, Jennifer Soto. "The artwork further enhances our community of creativity and connection. It is a welcome addition to the property and serves as a great representation of all that Amaya has to offer."



A view of the mural.

## Region // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

under the overlay district are below what are currently on the sites.

In the Seal Harbor district, there are currently 394 existing units, Halvorsen said.

"The model capacity is actually less than what is on the ground there today," he said.

What that means, Halvorsen said, is that if every unit was wiped off the map in the district, or if the owner wanted to rebuild, they would have the choice to either follow

the base zoning already in place on the land and go through a special permit process, or they could go through the less restrictive 3A overlay district and technically build fewer units than are there today. "The same is true for Governor's Park," said Halvorsen. "Today, there are 393 existing units, and here, the model capacity is 341. Again, 51 units under what already exists on the ground."

The scenario presented by RKG would leverage the Central Business Dis-

trict as well as meet the state requirements of providing at least 12 acres of 3A zoning with at least 50 percent of it being contiguous acreage, Halvorsen said.

Previously, planning board members had asked if an overlay district in those areas would affect existing condominium documents for the properties. Halvorsen said he did not believe there would be any impact on existing condo documents.

The overlay districts and the use of the CBD as

an offset district would require some minor zoning changes, he added.

In the CBD, Halvorsen said the state would require that town remove the special permit requirement for the fee in lieu of parking in the district.

There would also be deviations from the base zoning in terms of lot area per dwelling in each district, lowering it from 2,500 square feet to 1,900 square feet in Governor's Park and from 2,000 square feet to 1,600 square feet.

"We tried our best to mimic the dimensional requirements, the parking requirements, the heights, and everything as they exist in those areas," Halvorsen said.

The changes in the square footage per dwelling unit would only be put into place in the overlay district, and not affect the base zoning, he said.

"In both cases, the unit density that we are projecting from the model is less than what is on the ground today by 50 to 60 units," he said.

Planning Board Chair Christopher Boyce asked if there could be an increase in density if a developer were able to come in and subdivide the land in the proposed overlay districts.

Halvorsen said he did not see how the number

of units under 3A could change, even if someone were to come in and subdivide the parcels. When RKG Consultants comes back to meet with the planning board in August, Halvorsen said the board should decide if they want to see Seal Harbor and Governor's Park moving forward as two separate overlay districts, or one 3A overlay district.

There were also questions from the planning board regarding the impact the overlay districts would have on open space, climate resiliency, and other issues.

"You'll still be able to do site plan review under this, so it is not like the town and the planning board have to relinquish all control, you just can't have as much scrutiny as you would with a special permit," said Halvorsen. "You could still set up standards in site plan review, you just have to make sure that you are not putting up major barriers."

Boyce said the goal of the work from the consultant is to present an option that is the least impactful to the town while keeping Winthrop's existing zoning in place.

During the public comment portion of last week's meeting, Boyce was asked

about the planning board's role in the 3A process.

"Our goal as planning professionals is to say that if we are going to comply without penalties, what would our preferred recommendation be," Boyce said. "Our intention is to make a recommendation."

Once the planning board makes a recommendation, Boyce said it would then be up to the town council to approve or deny the recommendation.

Boyce also read a letter from the Historical Commission stating that the commission was unanimous in its desire for the planning board and the town council not to move forward with any 3A zoning.

Several residents also spoke out against 3A at last week's meeting, several stating that 3A is a way for the state to force unwanted development and higher unit counts on the town.

Celeste Ribeiro Hewitt asked if the proposal presented by RKG could be considered paper compliance, and if it was, if the plan would pass muster at the state level.

"Yes, this is paper compliance, but there is a lot of gray area in the regulations and the law, and I think this will pass," said Halvorsen.

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**LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS**

**ASSUMPTION STUDENTS NAMED TO SPRING 2024 UNIVERSITY'S DEAN'S LIST**

Assumption University has announced those who have been named to the University's Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters. Local students included:

Nicole Marin of Revere class of 2025  
Samantha Porazinski of Revere class of 2025

Assumption University, founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption, is a premier New England University for high-quality education, integrating career preparation and education of the whole person, drawing upon the best in the rich and centuries-long tradition of Catholic higher education. Assumption's graduates are known for their intellectual seriousness, thoughtful citizenship, and dedication to the common good. Located in Worcester, Massachusetts, Assumption has undergone a series of major advancements since transitioning to a university, including new academic buildings, degree programs, and athletic facilities for our NCAA Division II student athlete population. The University offers 38 majors and 50 minors in the liberal arts, sciences, business, nursing, and professional studies, and other areas, as well as graduate degrees and professional credentials. For more information about Assumption University,

**LOCAL EMERSON COLLEGE STUDENTS EARN DEAN'S LIST FOR SPRING 2024 SEMESTER**

The following students are named to Emerson College's Dean's List for the Spring 2024 semester. The requirement to make Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher for that semester.

Wanli Amirault of Revere. Amirault is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2024.

Christopher Fortin of Revere. Fortin is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2025.

Feiyu Hong of Revere.. Hong is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2024.

Madison Lucchesi of Revere. Lucchesi is majoring in Journalism and is a member of the Class of 2027.

Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has approximately 4,161 undergraduates and 554 graduate students from across the United States and nearly 70 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned fac-

ulty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs at Emerson Los Angeles, located in Hollywood, and at its 14th-century castle, in the Netherlands. Additionally, there are opportunities to study in Washington, DC, London, China, and the Czech Republic, Spain, Austria, Greece, France, Ireland, Mexico, Cuba, England, and South Africa. The College has an active network of 51,000+ alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts.

**STONEHILL COLLEGE'S SPRING 2024 DEAN'S LIST ANNOUNCED**

Over 1,000 students earned a spot on this semester's roster.

Local students included:

Gianna Chianca of Revere

Francesca Forcellati of Revere

Stonehill College, a Catholic institution of higher learning, was founded by the Congregation of Holy Cross in 1948. Located on the beautiful 387-acre campus and former estate of Frederick Lothrop Ames in North Easton, Massachusetts, it is a community of scholarship and faith, anchored by a belief in the inherent dignity of each person.

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**LOCAL STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM EMERSON COLLEGE**

Emerson College awarded approximately 1,045 undergraduate degrees to the Class of 2024 during the 144th Commencement at Agganis Arena in Boston, MA on Sunday, May 12, 2024.

During the ceremony, the College honored award-winning executives, creators, and Emersonians for their contributions and efforts to the arts, communication, and greater humanity.

Randy Barbato '82, acclaimed director, producer, and co-founder of World of Wonder, the multi-platform entertainment company behind the Emmy Award-winning show "RuPaul's Drag Race", and Emerson Trustees Doug Holloway and Al Jaffe received honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees. Barbato '82 delivered the commencement address.

"I do want you to take the time to discover yourself in the world. Trust the timing in your life. Things will not turn out how you planned," said Barbato. "It's experiences that create the opportunities. It's the experiences that build your endurance and connections with another and remind you to refine your confidence."

Local students included:

Wanli Amirault from Revere, received a BA in Media Arts Production.

Feiyu Hong from Revere received a BA in Media Arts Production.

Gianni Laurent from Revere received a BFA in Creative Writing BFA.

**BRYANT UNIVERSITY NAMES GERARDO VISCONTI TO THE SPRING 2024 DEANS' LIST**

Bryant University is pleased to recognize Gerardo Visconti of Revere for demonstrating an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement by being named to the Spring 2024 Deans' List.

To earn a place on the Deans' List, students must have a GPA of 3.4 or better for at least 12 semester hours of work. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

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**EAVES, OF REVERE, GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA**

Jillian Eaves, of Revere, graduated from The University of Tampa. Eaves received a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction.

The commencement ceremony honored 1,717 undergraduate and graduate candidates and included remarks by President Ronald Vaughn, alumni Marty Rifkin and Dr. Xavier Cannella, and the student challenge speaker.

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

**AREA RESIDENTS NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST FOR THE SPRING 2024 SEMESTER AT QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY**

The following student was named to the dean's list for the Spring 2024 semester at Quinnipiac University:

Mirvally Narcisse of Revere

To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at

least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester. Names followed by an asterisk denotes with honors.

**WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES SPRING 2024 DEAN'S LIST**

A total of 2,226 undergraduate students at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) achieved the criteria required for the university's spring 2024 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 re-

quired 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 students were named to the Dean's List for Spring 2024:

Sakshi Gauro, of Revere., class of 2025, majoring in Robotics Engineering

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

About Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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

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NEWSPAPER GROUPIn an instant  
the tornado  
had formed

By Seth Daniel

Weather is a funny science, but as radar and computer imagery has improved the prediction of the weather, most people are used to being well prepared for the slightest drop of rain.

Television stations inundate us with updates and cell phones beep out warnings frequently.

But when an F2 tornado hit Revere Monday morning, there were few warnings – and no tornado warnings. Most people simply thought it was a bad storm, or heavy rain, and went about their business.

Glenn Field of the National Weather Service (NWS) Taunton office said the service had been following the storm all morning. It had formed in the Dover area in Norfolk County and had high-level rotation, but nothing had seemed to be ripe for spinning at ground level in order to make the essential top-to-bottom connection required to form a tornado.

Then, Field said, in an instant – faster than radar imagery could record – the tornado formed by the Chelsea Street Bridge and came together inconceivably and unbelievably.

It ripped its way up Broadway and was over in three minutes.

Traditional radar captures images every four minutes.

Field said one image at 9:29 a.m. showed nothing.

The image at 9:34 a.m. showed the tornado.

A 9:39 a.m. image was again harmless.

“It wasn’t until the image at 9:29 a.m. that it showed it was beginning to come

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A young boy leaps over debris on Park Avenue about an hour after the tornado. Many didn't know what to do afterward, and took to the streets to take pictures and find loved ones – which was quite dangerous with the numerous power lines on the ground.



Victor Villena is shown here moments after the tornado passed through Park Avenue. He was in the black car to the left when the tornado struck. Large pieces of Peter Woo's roof smashed onto his car as he sat inside. “I’m still shaking; it was terrifying,” he said. See more photos on pages 4 and 5.

## Workers at the school “held on for dear life”

By Seth Daniel

As the tornado approached Revere on Monday morning, most men working on the Hill School roof were able to get down prior to the twister, but some men were left on upper levels and found themselves holding on for their lives to steel beams.

“There were guys in the building on the second floor and they just couldn’t go anywhere and they had to bear hug the steel columns to keep from being blown away,” said Simon Tempest of the City’s construction management firm for the Hill School project. “The crane operator was in the crane and had to stay where he was too. He couldn’t get down and said it was pretty shaky up there when it went through.”

While that was extremely touch and go for those that had to hold on for dear life, Tempest said it was probably the best decision anyone has ever made to get the roofers and ironworkers off the roof prior to the storm.

“In fact, they saw the rain

coming through and the roofers and iron workers all came down about five minutes before the storm hit,” he said. “It’s just a miracle nothing really happened and these guys got out of there when they did. If they had been on the roof, they would have been gonzo.”

## Crews made quick work of cleanup

By Seth Daniel

From war zone to manageable chaos – that’s the miraculous situation on Broadway as clean up crews made record time in clearing trees, debris

He said one construction trailer was briefly lifted up with four people in it when a tree fell on one end. Another trailer was abandoned during the storm as it became unsteady, and the crew took cover in their trucks.

There were no injuries on the site.

and traffic from the streets on Monday and Tuesday after the tornado.

Mayor Dan Rizzo – who along with Fire Chief Gene

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Ground  
Zero

Tornado rips into Revere on Monday morning

By Seth Daniel

The rain was already falling at a steady pace around 9:15 a.m. on Broadway Revere, but there was a point when things got eerily dark in the sky.

The rain picked up, and the wind began to blow.

Big deal, right? There have been several storms of late, and Revere has endured more than a few hurricanes and wind events.

A minute went by, and then Broadway got a dose of wind it has likely never seen and likely won’t for a long time – hopefully.

The sound of a freight train resounded outside the windows of Broadway businesses and homes in the immediate surrounding neighborhoods – a telltale sign of a tornado.

Heavy things that aren’t supposed to fly around like plastic bags were swirling; the opposite side of Broadway was invisible from one side to the other.

The lights went out.

The winds howled.

Dumpsters were moved several yards.

The skating rink roof was ripped off and deposited on Taft Street.

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Huge trees – such as those in the American Legion Lawn or on Beach Street or on the hard-hit Taft Street – had been ripped out of the ground, roots and all, after decades of safety in their appointed spots.

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Electrical wires were everywhere, sparking in many cases.

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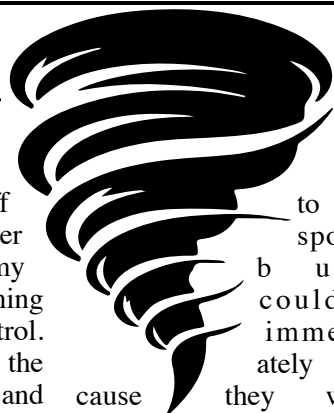
“I was sitting in my car waiting for my daughter and my wife to come out so I could take them somewhere,” said Victor Villena, who was just outside the door to the 7 Park Ave. apartments when the roof of Peter Woo’s Restaurant was deposited on his car, minutes after the tornado passed. “It got dark and it started blowing and then it started blowing really hard. I said, ‘What in the world is this?’ Then it got harder. It was out of control. I was very, very scared. Then I heard a boom and something smashed my car. The wind was blowing so hard I couldn’t see

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*This week, we take a break from our 20-year Stroll through Time series to look back **TEN YEARS AGO**, to the week when a tornado ripped through our City. You can look forward to our 20-year look backs resuming in our next issue.*



Tornado //



what it was. Stuff was blowing all over the place – hitting my car and hitting everything and totally out of control. I guess the roof from the building came down and pieces of that kept hitting the car and breaking stuff. I didn't know what it was, but I was trying to figure out if I should stay in the car or run into the building. The wind was so strong; if there had been a little child outside, they would have been picked up and blown away. I stepped out of my car and ran for my life. It was terrifying. I'm still terrified. I can't stop shaking."

As he spoke, he removed shingles from his backseat; pieces of rubber roofing were plastered into the glass of his windshield like stopped bullets. Even a piece of flashing had lodged between the windshield and the car frame.

"What is this? How in the world did that get into here?" he asked incredulously.

Within minutes of the tornado passing Park Avenue, Malden Police Officer Jack Delaney ran out of his car in ankle deep water that had been deposited on the street.

Delaney said he was off duty and coming to a doctor's appointment in Revere when the wind picked up and the tornado passed. He said he took refuge in his car, and a tree hit it. When he deemed it safe, he got out and started directing stunned drivers who were stranded or shell-shocked on Broadway.

"If that wasn't a tornado, I don't know what a tornado is," he said while directing cars about an hour later. "I was just coming down to a doctor's appointment in Revere and the wind picked up and a tree smashed my windshield. Then I got out and began to try to clear the street."

Alongside him as he directed traffic minutes after the tornado was a large commercial dumpster that had been moved about 40 yards from the Citizens Bank building.

At Peter Woo's building on the corner, the roof was ripped off the kitchen area and off of the backside convenience store.

A woman who had been working was distraught – crying hysterically. One woman who had been trying to send money overseas said it was chaos. The roof was just ripped off before they even knew what happened. The door was smashed, and the awning lifted away and the dumpster overturned.

"I was so scared said the woman," who was unidentified. "We just got down and hid next to the counter. I've never seen things like this."

Broadway from Vinal Street to Mountain Avenue was impassable.

Firefighters were trying

to respond, but couldn't immediately because they were blocked in the station, and then their paths were blocked by tress, bricks, glass and debris.

"Central Fire Station crews couldn't get out at first during the initial calls," said Fire Chief Gene Doherty afterward. "Our sign was blocking the door and the flagpole was snapped in half. People on the street had been knocked over and blown down. It was unbelievable the effect it had...It was a war zone. We got calls right off that people were trapped. Fire crews couldn't get through the streets. We were re-routing engines constantly. We didn't know what roads were open and what were blocked. Firefighters were using saws we normally use to cut through a roof in order to clear a path quickly through the trees so they could get to the calls. You see these things in the South and Midwest and they cut through houses and pick up trailer parks, and I think we're fortunate there wasn't more damage from this."

Down the street, the Rite Aid sign was completely gone.

Some of it lay in the parking lot, while the top had been deposited in the front yard of Frank Bellofatto, who lives about 300 yards away on Mountain Avenue.

"I don't know what happened," he said, dazed and looking at a piece of roofing material dangling perilously from three large electrical transformers overhead. "I guess this is the pharmacy sign. Everyone's okay here, thank goodness. What was this?"

Members of Immaculate Conception Church were celebrating Mass when the tornado plowed through and took two giant trees down on top of several cars and rendered Beach Street impassable for more than two hours.

"I live down on Beach Street, but I was in church when it happened," said Son Doan, who was surveying his car that was buried under the trunk of a five-story cedar tree. "We heard it inside, but church was still going on so I didn't think much about it. When I came outside and saw my car, I couldn't believe it. I never expected that this is what was happening outside."

Two men who had been at the spotlight of Park Avenue and Broadway in their concrete company's work truck – Jet Concrete of New Hampshire – said they had been working at the Hill School. In the process of leaving the job, an air conditioner and hundreds of bricks toppled

# LOOKING BACK AT THE TORNADO



Two workers from Jet Concrete of New Hampshire were leaving their worksite at the Hill School when the tornado struck. Their truck was buried under debris, an air conditioner and bricks from nearby buildings. They rode out the storm by putting on hardhats and getting under the dash of the truck.

onto the vehicle as the tornado passed right over them.

"It was unreal," said one of the workers, who was unidentified, just minutes after the storm. "Our boss doesn't even believe us. He thought we were lying. We saw the wind and we were terrified. We decided to put on our hardhats and just try to get as far under the dash as possible. The roof started hitting us and it was pretty crazy. Now, we're just trying to get all this metal and brick out from under our truck so we can go."

As he spoke to the Journal, his co-worker was trying to dislodge a plastic trash barrel from under their axle – a trash barrel that seemingly had been brought from several blocks away.

Down at the old Mill Creek Grist Mill – which is now apartments – the storm started its wrath.

Bobby McKenna, a resident of the Mill, said he began to hear strong winds and noticed a huge amount of swirling wind come from the commuter rail bridge.

"I really felt it came from the Creek and made its way up," he said, long before the actual path of the tornado was officially announced. "I shut my windows and it really was blowing hard. Then I heard my neighbor lying out in the hall crying and bleeding from the mouth. She had been trying to hold her air conditioner in the window and it blew out and hit her in the mouth. It was like something out of a movie. It was really like someone turned the rain and wind button up from 1 to 10 in an instant. Then I heard everyone yelling and scared. It was surreal."

On Broadway, one trucker who was making a delivery to the Hill School said he knew what he was in for, as he had been through a tornado before. He stopped his rig on Park Avenue and got down un-

der the bed in his cab.

"All the sudden there was wind everywhere," said Douglas Knisely – a trucker from Pennsylvania. "I was just making a delivery to the school. Stuff was flying around from the school and I jumped in the back and tried to hide from it. I was in one of these in Harrisburg (Pa.) once and I call them 'The Finger of God.' That's because they destroy one place and leave another place right beside it untouched. If you look around you, things are hit here and untouched in other places. You have to also see that this brings out the best in people also."

That, too, was evident everywhere one went.

Dazed and confused people wandered Broadway trying to figure out what had happened to them and their city.

Many started to clean up or to check on people – hundreds of roaming people asking if everyone was safe. Others began to pick up the soiled and soaked American flags that sat in puddles in the street – ripped down from the light poles.

"It was amazing," said Broadway Attorney Dave Occena, as he picked up a soiled American flag from the ground and respectfully hung it from a parking meter. "It sounded like nothing I've ever heard. The building was shaking and things were falling. It felt like a direct hit. It was, honestly, an epic experience."

Such was also true at City Hall, where workers were shell-shocked following the hit.

"It just happened so fast, so fast," said City Solicitor Paul Capizzi, who was on the second floor of City Hall. "I tried to get downstairs but the windows busted out and glass was hitting me and going everywhere."

Meanwhile, in the City Treasurer and Collector's offices – both on the south side of City Hall – windows blew out like a bomb had gone off. The office was turned upside down by wind, rain and mud – and even computer screens were busted out.

"Records are strewn all over the place; it's a disaster," said Director of Finance George Anzuoni. "Windows busted in right on the girls in my office – both first and second floors – and just destroyed everything. Even inside windows blew out. There are bills and papers and records all over the place."

And then there were



The Rite Aid sign on Broadway was ripped down with only part of it in the parking lot. Cars were stalling all over Broadway too as they had been inundated with water and debris.



Engine 5 tries to wade through the debris-strewn streets to check on the situation.

people who were just a few blocks away and had no idea a tornado was ripping through Broadway. Ken and Christine Bruker of Winthrop Avenue live right in the path of the storm, but were at Bell Circle eating breakfast.

"There was nothing there, just rain," said Christine. "We come back and there are huge trees that have been here for all the 37 years we've lived here ripped right out of the ground. I have pictures of a hurricane I went through in the 1950s – one of me sitting on a tree on Hall Street, but that's nothing – even the Blizzard of '78; that was just snow. I've never seen anything like this."

Said Ken, "You hear we have a tornado warning and they just don't mean that much to us because –

until now – we've never had anything like this."

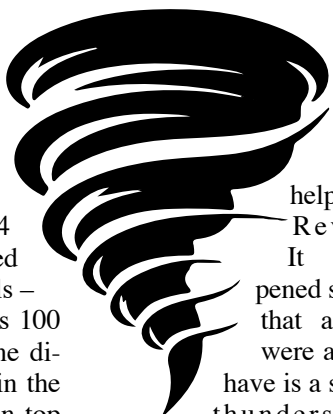
Mayor Dan Rizzo – at a press conference towards the end of the day – said he could have never imagined having to deal with an F2 tornado coming through his city.

"This obviously wasn't what we thought we would contend with when we woke up this morning – an F2 or F1 tornado hitting our City," he said. "Our Central Business District and the neighborhoods to the east and west were hit really, really hard. When you see trees three feet in diameter just ripped up by the roots is something we're not used to seeing. As long as I can remember, I've not seen anything like this...To see the damage on this corridor is amazing. It's a blessing – a miracle – no one was hurt."



The cherished ornamental trees in front of City Hall were pretty much wiped out by the tornado.

# Service //



together, but not totally," he said. "At 9:34 a.m. the image showed just tremendous signals – all of a sudden. It was 100 mph – 50 knots in one direction and 50 knots in the other – and situated on top of Revere. There was also a debris cloud on the image that showed us...clearly things being lofted in the air. That was 9:34 a.m. and the tornado had already begun and it's the first time we had evidence of it coming together. By 9:39 a.m., the clouds are separated again and not together at all. It came together as fast as it came apart. It lasted around three minutes and we say it happened officially at 9:32 a.m."

Field said the tornado likely hit some warm surface air that escalated the formation around the Chelsea Street Bridge in Chelsea. The storm needed warm air on the surface to form a top-to-bottom spinning cloud – and southeast winds coming from Boston provided just what it needed.

"Unlike the Midwest tornadoes we see that form and come downward, this one had rotation aloft, but needed a trigger at the surface," he said. "That warm front that was around Revere provided enough surface spin to combine with the aloft spin and it formed. Without that warm front, it probably never forms. It's actually something that probably triggered a tornado warning downstream in Essex County, but that wasn't much

help to Revere. It happened so fast that all we were able to have is a severe thunderstorm warning, which expired at 9:30 a.m. Nothing came together at 9:30, so that warning expired."

Field said there was a 40 minute severe thunderstorm warning that began at 8:50 a.m. on Monday, but unfortunately those warnings don't often get heavily reported on television and they don't appear on cell phone weather warnings.

"Nobody's cell phones go off for severe thunderstorm warnings, but they will go off for tornado warnings," he said. "That's unfortunate for Revere. We could have issued the tornado warning when it was over Dover, but that would have alerted Boston and Dedham and there wouldn't have been a tornado there. It's a fine line that we have to walk on. We were following the storm closely. It just suddenly spun up within one scan of the radar imagery. It lasted three minutes and was over."

He said it is regrettable that there was no official warning, though he did say it's probably a lesson for many to pay attention to thunderstorm warnings.

"There were 40 minutes of a severe thunderstorm warning prior to the tornado," he said. "Going outside during that is something people could have prevented.

# LOOKING BACK AT THE TORNADO



A distraught woman, who worked at the convenience store, walked in a daze away from the scene soon after the hit. Workers from the school site also began to come out of their shelter.

ed. If you were aware of the warning, you could have been inside...There hasn't been a tornado in Suffolk County since 1950 so it's definitely a rare event. We certainly wish we could have had a warning for an EF2 tornado, but the nature of New England tornadoes is that they're very quick and very shallow. They are quite different than the Midwestern supercells that form and are easier to track because they're on the

ground for a long time."

The tornado, he said, broke up just after Brown Circle – meaning that it beat its way the entire length of Broadway in three minutes.

According to the NWS official weather statement, the tornado had maximum winds of 120 mph and had a rating of F2, breaking down to F1 at many points. Its maximum path wide was 3/8 of a mile and the total path was two miles.



This photo was taken on Broadway immediately after the tornado passed at 9:34 a.m. (see the clock) with cars disabled, tree branches down and people in shock. Rain was still falling very heavily.



A teenage boy tries to navigate the tremendous debris outside 7 Park Ave.



A Revere Firefighter and a passer-by struggled to pull trees off of Broadway about 45 minutes after the hit.



A sign from a Broadway business is no more.



Trees made Mountain Avenue impassable and a piece of roofing material hung perilously from a pole with three electrical transformers.



This tree on Mountain Avenue was ripped from the ground and smashed into the house here, bouncing back to where it is resting. The woman pictured here was awakened by the tree pounding into her bedroom.



Fire crews from all over the area – including Winthrop – brought their trucks and their chain saws – which proved very useful in clearing paths.



The American flag at City Hall hangs on by a thread as windows, the clock and the roof show the tremendous damage done to the Hall by the tornado. City Hall will remain closed until further notice.



This woman had become trapped in a convenience store on Broadway when attempting to send money abroad. The door and awning were ripped off and the store was in disarray.



The roof from Peter Woo's Restaurant and the adjoining convenience store was transported across Park Avenue, leaving debris everywhere.

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Revere Police Department responded on the listed dates. The log is a public record and available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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1309: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1312: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1317: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1325: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Revere Beach Blvd.

1347: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

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1435: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1440: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1457: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on No. Shore Rd.

1514: Disabled motor vehicle at Centennial Ave. and No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1530: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer restored the peace.

1542: Disturbance on Washington Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1555: Officers responded to a report of shoplifting on Furlong Drive and arrested a 38 year-old Somerville man on two outstanding warrants.

1635: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1653: Noise disturbance on Marshview Terrace. The officer restored the peace.

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1658: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1710: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1735: Motor vehicle accident on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1811: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Mountain Ave. The officer will file a report.

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1825: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1834: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1846: Assault on Campbell Ave. The officer provided assistance.

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1857: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1905: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1912: Motor vehicle accident on VFW Parkway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1958: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Broadway. The officer issued a citation to an 18 year-old Northborough resident for the criminal offense of leaving the scene of an accident after causing personal injury.

2014: Noise disturbance on Marshview Terrace. The officer provided assistance.

2107: Noise disturbance on Marshview Terr. The officer restored the peace.

2119: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Proctor Ave. and issued a citation to a 38 year-old Revere man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

2121: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Tuckerman St. The officer will file a report.

2121: Unwanted person on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2150: Noise disturbance on Mountain Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2151: Motor vehicle accident on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties

with the exchange of papers.

2242: Unwanted person on Milano Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2247: Disabled motor vehicle on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer provided assistance.

2330: Noise disturbance on Eastern Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2332: Noise disturbance on Oak Island St. The officer provided assistance.

2333: Vandalism on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

2340: Noise disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2350: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at the Revere Beach Parkway and Pratt St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

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0041: Noise disturbance at Walnut and Shirley Aves. The officer provided assistance.

0042: Noise disturbance on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer restored the peace.

0048: Noise disturbance on Ocean Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0052: Blocked driveway on Waverly Ave. The vehicle was towed.

0052: Vandalism on Bosson St. The officer filed a report.

0121: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Lantern Rd. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

0126: Disturbance on Campbell Ave. The officer

provided assistance.

0213: Suspicious activity on Garafolo St. The officer provided assistance.

0230: Motor vehicle accident at Tapley Ave. and Broadway. The officer will file a report.

0243: Noise disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1143: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Ocean Ave.

1442: Lost/found property on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

1500: Motor vehicle accident on Newhall St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1505: Motor vehicle accident at Mahoney Circle. Officers arrested Alfonso Rosales, 31, of 45 Walnut Ave., for the criminal offenses of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor (second offense) and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. He also was cited for the civil infraction of having an open container of alcohol while operating a motor vehicle.

1601: Shoplifting on VFW Parkway. Officers arrested Gabrielle T. Miller, 53, of Swampscott, for the criminal offenses of two counts of shoplifting by asportation (second offense).

1621: Motor vehicle accident on Furlong Drive. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1646: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

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1722: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1728: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1753: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on No. Shore Rd. and issued a citation to a 38 year-old East Boston man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

1830: An officer responded to a report of shoplifting on VFW Parkway and issued a summons for a court hearing to a 43 year-old Boston man for the criminal offenses of two counts of shoplifting by asportation (third offense).

1855: Noise disturbance on Suffolk Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1902: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Roland Ave.

1906: Parking complaint on Broadsound Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1931: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1941: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broadway.

2019: Assault on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

2145: Unwanted person on Shirley Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2247: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle.

2247: Noise disturbance on Hayes Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2253: Noise disturbance on Lincoln St. The officer restored the peace.

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## REVERE Through the Years

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### 20 years ago August 4, 2004

The city's Chief Financial Officer, George An-

zuoni, reported this week that Moody's Investment Service issued a report stating that Revere is making great strides in turning things around financially and that the potential for development is promising. However, Moody's left the city's bond rating at Baa3, where it has been for a decade.

With the sale of the former Bell Olds and Abel Ford properties imminent, the prospective new owner of the land, Channel Building Company, has filed an application for a special permit that heralds a possible \$10 million development project.

A proposed change in the federal budget could threaten the Section 8 housing program for many Revere residents, according to Revere Housing Authority Exec. Director Andrew Procopio.

### 40 years ago August 1, 1984

Mayor George V. Colella this week lashed out at the Dukakis administration and Amy Anthony, the Secretary of the Exec. Office of Communities and Development, for Anthony's decision to slash Revere's annual Small Cities program grant from \$750,000 to \$550,000. Colella charged that political considerations were to blame for the move.

Eliot Richardson, the Republican candidate for U.S. Senate, made a campaign stop in Revere this week, visiting the Snack Time restaurant on Broadway where he greeted patrons.

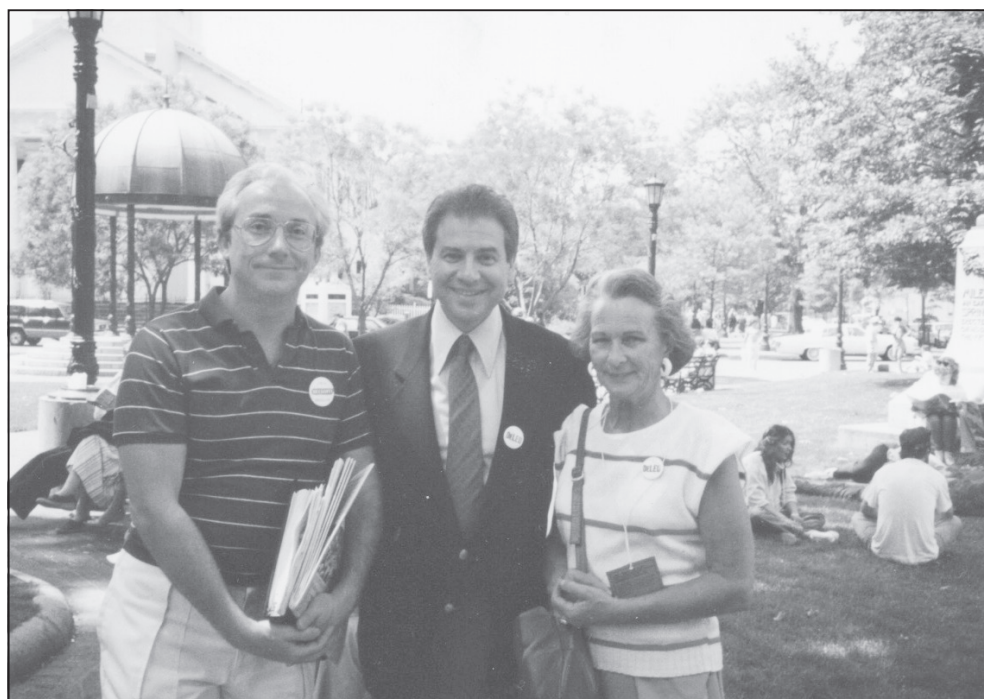
The School Committee still has yet to award the contract for food services for the Revere schools' cafeterias for the coming school year.

A Melrose man, 39 year-old Henry Kelley, who recently was released from prison and was the owner of New England Jewelers of Melrose, was shot and killed in the apartment of Michael A. DeGregorio of 13 Fenwick St. Saturday night. DeGregorio suffered severe stab wounds, allegedly inflicted by Kelley, from which DeGregorio is recovering in the hospital. Although no charges have been filed, police recovered 38 firearms in DeGregorio's apartment. Kelley reportedly was friendly with DeGregorio, but started to attack DeGregorio with a knife when he entered the latter's apartment.

The group of four members of the School Committee continued their efforts this week to oust School Supt. William J. Hill, asserting that Hill is mismanaging the School Department.

### 50 years ago July 31, 1974

Mayor William G. Reinstein has filed a suit in Suffolk Superior Court seeking to enjoin the Squire Club from allow-



Fred Rupp, Delegate and Chairman of Revere Democratic Committee, Attorney Bob DeLeo and DNC Delegate Ellen Haas seen at the 1991 convention in Amherst.

ing its dancers to "conduct nude shows or simulate sex acts." Reinstein said he was sick and tired of receiving complaints from local residents about this type of entertainment being offered by the club, which is located at 604 Squire Rd.

For the second straight year, the School Department has returned unexpended funds to the city treasury. The amount for this year was \$117,481 and last year's was \$254,000. Credit is being given to School Supt. William J. Hill for his no-nonsense fiscal policies and to the School Committee for endorsing his recommendations.

Eight year-old Nancy Lee Hensley of Revere recently was crowned Miss Petite Massachusetts 1974 at the International Pageant System show held at Stonehill College. Contestants competed in four events: interview, sportswear modeling, evening gown or party dress, and talent. Nancy will now compete for the world title in New York City in December.

City Council President Edward O'Hara stormed out of a Licensing Board hearing and threatened to have all of the board members removed from their jobs after announcing his displeasure with the recent decision by the board to allow some liquor establishments to open their doors at 11 a.m. on Sundays.

### 60 years ago July 30, 1964

The new Northgate Shopping City will hold its grand opening next Thursday. Mass. Attorney General Edward Brooke will be the keynote speaker. Although some stores have been open for a number of months, the grand opening ceremonies will mark the opening of all 20 stores in the mall, which rates as one of the finest shopping centers in New England. Among the stores are Almy's, Consumer Value Stores, Friendly's Ice Cream Shop, Kennedy's, Krey's Disc Shop, The First National Bank of Boston, and Thom McAn Family Shoe. The shopping center

is located on the site of the former Revere Airport.

The city has agreed to settle a suit brought by 21 taxpayers in Suffolk Superior Court who had sued the city to restore \$500,000 to the School Department budget that had been slashed by former City Manager Melvin Taymore. The agreement will restore \$464,000 to the school budget and also calls for the city to pay for repairs to the boiler at the Garfield School.

The School Committee has agreed to pay raises of \$300 yearly for custody, secretarial, and other non-educational employees in the schools.

### 70 years ago August 5, 1954

The City Council voted 5-2 to approve a land-taking and construction of the city's first off-street parking lot in the Broadway area. The Chamber of Commerce vigorously had championed the proposal. City Planner Warren Campbell pegged the total cost at \$15-20,000. The new lot will offer convenience for downtown shoppers, who often are unable to find a place to park, as well as eliminate traffic hazards caused by parking on both sides of Broadway.

Warren Schalman, local manager of the Suburban Electric Co., has been named chairman of the Salvation Army drive to be conducted in Revere in September.

The Youth Commission hosted a group of 500 children at the commission's first annual outing held at Norumbega Park in Auburndale last week.

The state legislature approved a bill last week that will provide housing for the elderly, ages 65 and over, thus making Mass. one of the first states in the nation to provide housing for its elderly citizens. The Revere Housing Authority has applied for housing

for the aged, thus in turn becoming one of the first communities in the state to do so.

The Rev. Joseph Bracken will assume his duties this week as the new pastor of St. Theresa's Church.

The national Republican Party has announced that it is taking a poll asking participants 20 questions, including one about controversial U.S. Senator Joseph McCarthy, to gauge voter sentiment approaching the 1954 election.

### 80 years ago August 3, 1944

Residents are mourning the passing of Michael J. O'Donnell, 69, the head of the city's Public Works Department for the past 15 years, who died two days

after suffering a heart attack this week.

First Lieut. James M. Gibson, son of George Gibson of 5 John Ave., has been reported as wounded in action during the invasion of France. He is in a base hospital in England with a leg wound. He is married to the former Dorothy Harrington of Winthrop.

The Revere Chamber of Commerce, rallying behind the slogan, "Build Up Revere," is utilizing a consultant to undertake a thorough survey of Revere's economic advantages in order to adopt a program of post-war activities to make the most of these opportunities for Revere residents.

One of the daily acts at Revere Beach, O'Brien's Show of Thrills, is utilizing deadly liquid air, a potent gas that is being used by the Nazis as a component of the dreaded rocket bombs. Doc Rivers, who puts on the show, notes that liquid air is more potent than dynamite and that 20 years ago he had predicted the use of this gas in war. Liquid gas is probably the coldest substance known to man with a temperature of 365 degrees below zero. Rivers and his wife were at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese attack occurred. Rivers amazed the crowd with his scientific experiments using the liquid air. He said liquid air has many uses and even was used in China to run automobiles before the war.

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