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LOCAL VETERANS INVITED TO APPLY FOR AFFORDABLE CONDOMINIUM LOTTERY
The City of Revere and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund have announced that veterans are invited to apply for a veterans-preference lottery for two affordable home-ownership condominium units at 133 Salem St in Revere.

The veteran-only application period will be open from August 23, 2024 to September 13, 2024. The lottery will be held at Revere City Hall in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 6 PM. If fewer than two eligible veterans apply, those who already applied from the previous applicant pool for this opportunity are eligible to be selected.

The two units available are:
-133 Salem St, Unit 102 - a 479 square foot studio with 1 parking space. For this unit, applicants must be at or below 70% of area median income; the sale price is \$220,000.
-133 Salem St, Unit 208 - a 593 square foot 1-bedroom unit with 1 parking

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Past and present women of the Council honored

By Adam Swift

Monday marked the 104th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, guaranteeing women in the United States the right to vote.

The Revere City Council took that anniversary to the next level at its regular meeting Monday night, unveiling a plaque dedicated to all the women who have served, are currently serving, and will serve on the city council.

The plaque contains the names of the 10 women who have or are currently serving on the council, as well as space for future women councillors.

"This right (to vote) was achieved after decades of struggle, protests, marches, and so-called civil disobedience by the champions of voting rights for women," said City Clerk Ashley Melnik. "In 1973, the United States Congress designated August 26 as



CARY SHUMAN PHOTOS

Honored as women who have served the City of Revere with distinction were, from left, Councillor-at-Large Michelle Kelley, former city councillor Denise Salemi, former city councillor Catherine Penn, Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, former city councillor Rita Singer, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, and City Clerk Ashley Melnik.

Women's Equality Day to commemorate the 19th Amendment. It is only fitting that a plaque commemorating the women of the Revere City Council be dedicated this evening to coincide with such an important milestone."

The women who have served on the council have profoundly shaped the city with their vision, dedication, and tireless work over the decades, Melnik said.

Those honored included former councillors Margaret "Peggy" O'Hara, Rita Singer, Vera Curcio, Catherine Penn, Linda Santos

Rosa, Denise Salemi, and Jessica Giannino.

"It is amazing to think about how far we have come, not only as a country, but as a community, and as we stand in the city council chambers today and acknowledge the contributions of women in the city of Revere and the women in this chamber, it is pretty remarkable," said Giannino in a video statement that was played at the meeting. "Serving as a Revere City Councillor was truly one of the greatest honors of my life, and serving as City Council President was such an

incredibly educational and rewarding experience for me and taught me so many tools that I have taken in this next chapter as your state representative."

Also honored on the plaque were current city councillors Joanne McKenna, Angela Guarino-

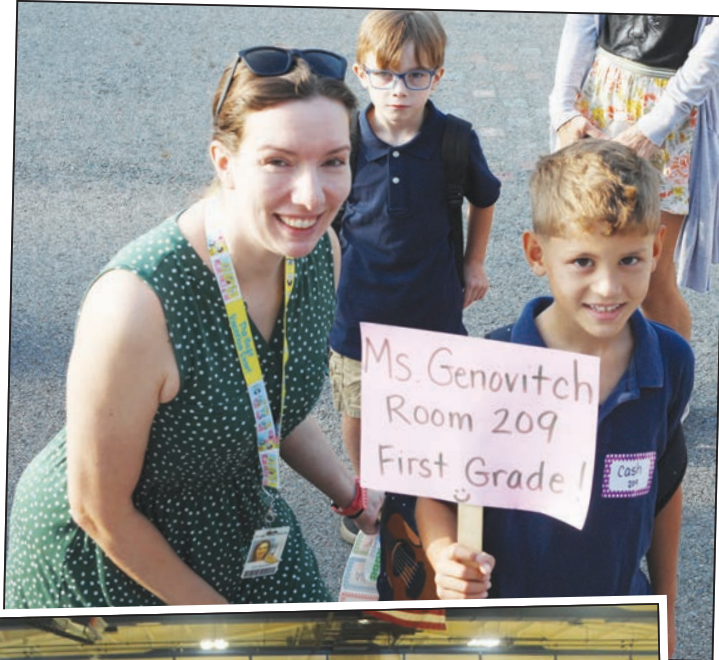
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Revere City Clerk Ashley Melnik (left) and Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, pictured adjacently to the plaque honoring the women who have served on the Revere City Council in the city's history.

It's School Time

Shown right, First-Grade teacher, Julie Genovitch, with her student Cash Miller. Shown below, doing a great job distributing the beautiful new backpacks at the Aug. 22 event are, from left, Purchasing Agent Michael Piccardi, School Committeeman John Kingston, School Committeewoman Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo, Mayor Patrick Keefe, and Supt. of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly. See more photos on Pages 4 and 5.



RLC conducts three hearings for violations

By Journal Staff

The Revere License Commission (RLC) held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday (August 21) afternoon in the City Council Chamber. On hand for the session were chair Robert Seleviitch and fellow member Daniel

Occena.

Before conducting three hearings into ongoing violations by three establishments, the commission took up a request from Multicultural Marketing, Inc., for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualer & Entertainment License to be exercised on the

fields at the Beachmont School on Sunday, September 15, from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Tony Portillo, the manager of the event, which is a celebration of El Salvador Independence Day, told the commissioners

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State primary set for Tuesday

By Adam Swift

Polls will be open in Revere from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3 for the state primary election.

With few contested races on the ballot, Revere Election Commission Paul Fahey said the city is not expecting a large turnout on Tuesday.

Fahey said that as of early this week, the city had sent out 4,500 ballots for vote-by-mail applicants and has gotten about 40 percent of those back.

There are no changes in polling locations from the March presidential primary election, Fahey said.

"In March voters in Ward 4 (Hill School) had

to enter at the stadium entrance on Park Street because school was in session," Fahey said. "However, we are now back to the regular entrance in the parking lot."

On the Democratic state primary ballot, a number of incumbent candidates are running unopposed for reelection, including Senator Elizabeth Warren, Congresswoman Katherine Clark, Governor's Councilor Terrence Kennedy, state Senator Lydia Edwards, and state Representatives Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco.

There are contested races on the Democratic side

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Revere Parks and Recreation celebrates a successful summer of programming and events

Special to the Journal

The City of Revere Department of Parks and Recreation is delighted to announce the resounding success of its diverse summer programs, camps, and events. With over 1,200 children participating in various activities, this summer has been a testament to the community's vibrant spirit and commitment to youth engagement.

The summer lineup was a mix of activities catering to all interests and age groups. The ever-popular Summer Adventures camp provided a safe and fun environment for children to explore and learn, while the iconic Movie Night on the Beach series continued to be a local favorite. Events such as the weekly Sunday Concert Series fostered community, while competitive basketball leagues offered opportunities for athletic growth and teamwork. The Parks and Recreation Department also hosted weekly field trips to exciting New England destinations, including Canobie Lake Park.

Additional highlights included Sports Madness, the full-day field trip to Six Flags, and the annual Fourth of July event, a mainstay that attracts more than 1,000 people annually. Others include simple days spent at one of Revere's local parks,

where "Meet the Princess" and "Meet the Superhero" pop-up events regularly drew crowds of 50+ children.

"The Parks and Recreation Department is a staple for Summers in Revere," said Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr. "Whether it be a fun camp for kids, an employment opportunity for our students, a fitness activity for our adults, or a concert series for our seniors, Revere Parks and Rec makes an effort to reach residents far and wide. I had a lot of fun at their events this summer and in past summers, and I know countless families, including my own, who have benefitted from the quality programming over the years."

Michael Hinojosa, Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, commented, "Summer is my favorite time of the year. Being able to provide outdoor recreational opportunities is what makes my job so special. Thank you to all who have attended; we are especially looking forward to meeting new people in our upcoming fall programming."

For more information about fall programming and future events, please visit www.revererec.org or contact the Parks and Recreation Department directly at recreation@revere.org.

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that he expects an attendance of 1500 people throughout the course of the day. He said that previous celebrations have been held in the City of Boston, including the stadium in East Boston.

"This will be a family event for people to come and enjoy the El Salvadoran culture," said Portillo, who owns a bar in Everett and will have TIPS-certified bartenders serving the beer and wine. There were no opponents and the commission unanimously approved issuing the license.

The first hearing of the evening was a continuation of a hearing from April pertaining to Noah Autobody Repair & Sales, Inc., 1095 Broadway, Raymond Desamours, manager, "into the Status of Business: Hearing to inquire into operation status of licensed business."

The issue has been that Desamours has not been operating his business since receiving his license from the commission. All businesses licensed in the city are required to exercise their license or risk forfeiting it. Atty. James

Nyman told the commissioners that since April, Mr. Desamours (who was present) has been operating on the premises for 30 hours or more per week and has had cars for sale.

"It seems like you've done a lot of what we asked and I've driven by the business and have seen cars on the lot," said Occena, whose opinion was echoed by Selevitch. The commission voted to take no further action on the matter.

Next up was a hearing "into violations including unauthorized transfer of ownership, lack of approved license manager," by Four Partners, Inc., d/b/a Antonia's at the Beach, 492 Revere Beach Boulevard.

Mr. Fernando Loaiza, the principal owner and manager of Antonia's, appeared before the commission. Mr. Loaiza's attorney had submitted a letter to the RLC explaining that the establishment has taken steps to comply with the legal requirements of operating a business. The commissioners also reviewed some additional paperwork provided by Mr. Loaiza at the hearing.

However, the commissioners noted the business still was lacking some of the necessary documentation that is required for a business.

"The issue that I have is that this has been ongoing for a few years and it seems like the only time that things get moving is when we send you a letter," said Occena.

"We've been here for a while addressing these issues," added Selevitch.

The commission voted to continue the matter for another 30 days to allow Mr. Loaiza to complete the necessary paperwork.

The third matter was a "Hearing into violations including unauthorized transfer of ownership, lack of approved license manager," by R K & E Corp., d/b/a BK's Bar & Grill, 264 Ocean Avenue, Marilyn Symmes, manager.

Prominent local attorney James Cipoletta represented BK's at the hearing, with Bob Kelly, the assistant manager, on hand. Cipoletta said that the business is in the process of transferring the stock of the company to Mr. Kelly through the Probate Court in the aftermath

of the death of Mr. Kelly's mother and father, the longtime former owners of the business.

"This is a little bit beyond our control," said Cipoletta, referring to the backlog in the Probate Court, which reportedly extends more than two years thanks to the lingering effects from the COVID-19 pandemic when the courts were shut down.

Cipoletta said he would be willing to file a status report within 30-60 days and apply for a change in manager to formally name Mr. Kelly as the manager. The commissioners voted to continue the matter for 60 days for review.

The commission received one communication during the month, a notification from the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) acknowledging receipt of the RLC's approval of outdoor seating for Two Brothers Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Murray's Tavern.

The next meeting of the commission is set for September 18.

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space. For this unit, applicants must be at or below 80% of area median income; the sale price is \$285,000.

*70% of area median income is \$79,800 for one person; \$91,175 for a family of two.

*80% of area median income is \$91,200 for one person; \$104,200 for a family of two.

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You may also pick up an application at the Revere Department of Planning and Community Development (781-286-8181), or email Joe Gravellese, chair of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board, at jgravellese@revere.org, to request an application via email or ask questions about eligibility.

TSA READIES FOR BUSIEST LABOR DAY TRAVEL PERIOD ON RECORD

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is prepared to screen more than 17 million people during what is expected to be the busiest Labor Day travel period on record, which will run Thursday, August 29 through Wednesday, September 4. The peak travel day is projected to be August 30, when TSA expects to screen 2.86 million people.

Air travel volumes this summer are the highest the agency has seen in its history. The agency expects passenger volumes to be 8.5 percent higher than last year during this time, and has already screened 239.8 million people since Memorial Day weekend, which is an average of 2.7 million per day. The top ten busiest travel days in

the agency's history have all occurred this year since May 2024. The agency reached a new milestone on July 7, when Transportation Security Officers (TSOs) screened more than 3 million people in a single day.

"People are traveling more than ever this summer and TSA along with our airline and airport partners stand ready to close the busiest summer travel period on record during this upcoming Labor Day weekend," said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. "I commend our vigilant workforce, from our TSOs on the front lines at airport security checkpoints across the country to those behind the scenes, working hard to keep the transportation system secure—especially as we continue to roll out new checkpoint technology that improves security effectiveness, efficiency, and the passenger experience."

TSA is staffed to meet its wait time standards, which are 10 minutes and under in TSA PreCheck® lanes and 30 minutes and under in standard screening lanes. With this increase in travel volumes, TSA recommends airline passengers travel with ease by enrolling in the TSA PreCheck Trusted Traveler Program, where members do not need to remove shoes, belts, 3-1-1 liquids, laptops, food items, and light jackets at the checkpoint. TSA PreCheck members are reminded to make sure their Known Traveler Number (KTN) is in their airline reservation so it appears on their boarding pass.

REAL ID will go into effect in less than nine months, starting May 7, 2025. Airline passengers will soon need a REAL ID-compliant form of identification when flying. If the driver's license is not REAL ID-compliant, they must have another form of acceptable identification, such as a U.S. passport. REAL ID driver's licenses and identification cards have a small star in the upper right corner indicating they meet federal regulations that establish minimum security standards.

GUARINO-SAWAYA ENDORSES MURPHY FOR SJC CLERK



Boston City Councilor Erin Murphy is excited to announce the endorsement of Revere Ward 5 City Councilor Angela Guarino-Sawaya.

"I couldn't be prouder to support Erin Murphy for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County. We both have a commitment to community and family, extensive education experience, and a strong work ethic. Showing up, and being accessible to our constituents are both priorities for us. I have seen Erin campaigning hard in all the neighborhoods across Suffolk County and I am looking forward to helping her get elected next Tuesday, Sept. 3.

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SPOTLIGHT

There is a new episode of Fabulous Foods with Victoria Fabbo on RevereTV. In this episode, Victoria is excited to welcome a special guest, Nasim from Chai Bar which is based in Revere. Chai Bar is currently located at 744 Broadway. Watch the show to see Nasim demonstrate how to prepare a delectable Persian dish, Kashk E Bademjan, or eggplant with whey. Tune in to learn how to make this unique yet traditional Persian recipe! Fabulous Foods will be playing at least once daily on the Community Channel. If you'd like to follow along at your own pace, you can also watch this program on YouTube.

The Revere Chamber of Commerce recorded another episode of "The Wave" last week. In this episode, hear a young intern at the Chamber talk about job hunting and how the interviewing process has vastly changed over the past few years. There is also an interview with a member of the Chamber of Commerce who has an employee recruiting business. Watch the latest episode daily on the Community Channel or at your convenience on YouTube.

RevereTV was able to gather some coverage of a few community events last week. Watch in between regular programming on the Community Channel to catch highlight reels of this year's Row Row Row Revere, Color Party and All Abilities Day. Row Row Row Revere is a canoe race event to raise awareness for Autism. The Color Party is a popular event for kids put on by Revere Parks and Recreation. The Revere Commission on Disabilities put on their first All Abilities Day at Revere Beach as a time for everyone to gather together and provide safe access for all to enjoy the beach.

Election Commissioner, Paul Fahey, visited RevereTV to create informational videos about the upcoming election regarding when and how to vote. These videos include many dates to be aware of, so to pause as you watch, you can view these videos on YouTube as well. For all official information about the election process in Revere, always refer to the Elections and Voting webpage on revere.org or reach out to the Election Department.

This week's "In The Loop" PSA mentions several ways to enjoy fresh fruits and veggies right here in our city! Check out the new Mobile Market on Thursdays at Sandler Square from 3 to 6 PM, where "New Entry" brings fresh produce right to your neighborhood. Also, don't miss the Revere Beach Farmers Market happening every Friday until September 27th at Waterfront Square from 12 to 4 PM. Both markets accept SNAP, HIP, WIC, and Senior Vouchers. Tune in next week on RevereTV and YouTube to stay "In The Loop."

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Council to continue debate on proposed translation and interpretation ordinance

By Adam Swift

The city council will continue debate on a proposed ordinance for providing interpretation and translation services for public meetings and documents.

During a public hearing on Monday night, Council President Anthony Cogliandro moved the ordinance to a future meeting of the legislative affairs subcommittee.

While the proposed ordinance was in subcommittee in the spring, Cogliandro noted that it has changed significantly since it was first presented in April.

At Monday night's public hearing, Claire Inzerillo from the city solicitor's office outlined the city administration's opposition to the proposed ordinance.

While Inzerillo praised the intent of the ordinance, she said it would conflict with the city's recently adopted Language Access Plan (LAP) and cause budgetary issues.

"A dedicated group of city employees have been implementing the LAP since its adoption earlier this year, and we are making great progress in the collection and categorization of material from our various department heads," said Inzerillo.

When the LAP is fully implemented, Inzerillo said it will provide notices for availability for interpretation of public meetings and for small group interactions.

"An example of this is when we have a business owner come in to talk about a small business loan, which happens quite often," Inzerillo said. "The city's offerings for interpretation will exist on a by-request basis once this initial collection phase has been completed."

Vital city documents will be translated following federal Housing and Urban Development guidelines where a language is spoken by either 5 percent of residents or 1,000 people, whichever is less.

"For all services, however, written or spoken, residents will be able to request their language with the city making a good faith effort to provide said language service," said Inzerillo. "There are detailed policies and procedures and a timeline, which are outlined in the LAP that city staff use to ensure meaningful access

to services by all the folks who are living in our community."

While the ordinance before the city council is well intended, Inzerillo said, it sets unreasonable standards that conflict with the LAP the city is working on. She noted that in the month of August alone, there were 21 municipal meetings that would have had to be translated under the ordinance, several of which had either minimal or no attendance from residents.

"This demonstrates why our LAP operates on a by-request basis for interpretation services, to ensure that we are not wasting precious time, energy, or money in a needless manner," Inzerillo said. "We stand on the opposing side tonight because of the fundamental budgetary differences that exist between the two. A city the size of Lynn or Worcester may have the bandwidth to provide this ... for all meetings and all documents, but with a new high school on the horizon and a small group of employees we have at city hall, the proposal before you right now is unobtainable."

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for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court between Erin Murphy and Allison Cartwright, and for Clerk of the Superior Court (Civil Business) between John E. Powers, III and Faustina Gabriel.

The Republican primary ballot has a three-way race to challenge Warren in the U.S. Senate between Robert Antonellis, Ian

Cain, and John Deaton. Polling locations for the election are:

- Ward 1, precincts 1 and 2 – Beachmont School
- Ward 1, precinct 3 – American Legion Post 61
- Ward 2, precinct 1 – Garfield Magnet School
- Ward 2, precincts 2, 3, and 3A – Carl Hyman Towers
- Ward 3, all precincts –

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- Ward 4, all precincts – James J. Hill School
- Ward 5, precinct 1 – Point of Pines Yacht Club
- Ward 5, precinct 1A – Jack Satter House
- Ward 5, precincts 2 and 3 – Paul Revere School
- Ward 6, all precincts – West Revere Complex

REVERE Through the Years

10 years ago
August 27, 2014

Dr. Robert Bornstein is leaving his pediatric practice after a distinguished 50-year career of providing medical care to children in Winthrop and Revere. Bornstein spent his last day at TLC Pediatrics, 280 Beach Street, last Thursday. Several parents and former patients stopped by the office to thank him for his expert care and wish him well in the next chapter of his career.

Revere Schools will kick off the new academic year this coming Monday, Aug. 25, which is a few days earlier than normal. Superintendent Paul Dakin said that with the schools celebrating Holy Days for all three major religions (Christian, Jewish, and Muslim), the schools decided to begin slightly earlier this year to get ahead of the curve

before state MCAS testing began.

In a move of solidarity among a growing group of city councillors concerned about the city's finances, councillors solidly shot down a request from Mayor Dan Rizzo for \$50,000 to begin planning for the renovation of City Hall offices.

20 years ago
September 1, 2004

With Massachusetts U.S. Senator John Kerry running as the Democratic nominee for President, speculation is rampant as to who will run for Kerry's seat if he should win the Presidency. If Congressman Ed Markey should decide to throw his hat into the ring, Mayor Thomas Ambrosino said he seriously would consider a run for Markey's seat.

A recent report by the Mass. Highway Dept. reveals that three bridges

in Revere are structurally deficient, the Revere St. bridge near Billy Tse's and the two Marsh Rd. bridges, one over the Pines River and the other over Diamond Creek. However, all three bridges are in the process of being replaced. Altogether, 551 bridges in the state have been deemed structurally-deficient.

The developers of the long-delayed 84-unit high-rise next to the St. George's condo complex on Revere Beach Blvd. say they finally are ready to begin construction. Lawsuits by neighbors and Conservation Commission issues have delayed the project.

Three heroin overdoses were reported in the city last week; all three victims were revived at the hospital.

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Mayor Bill Reinstein pictured with students and a teacher at the A.C. Whelan School during their second annual Field Day in 1993.

AROUND THE CITY

SANDLER SQUARE MOBILE FARMER'S MARKET

Every Thursday through October 24

3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Sandler Square, 90 Centennial Ave.

The Mobile Farmer's Market comes to Revere this summer thank to a partnership between THE New Entry Sustainable Farming Project and the City of Revere.

A mobile market is a type of retail operation that brings fresh food and groceries directly to communities, typically using a vehicle such as a truck, trailer or a Van.

They are designed to address food access issues in underserved areas, such as food deserts where residents have limited access to affordable, fresh, and nutritious food options.

SNAP, EBT and WIC will be accepted, as well as Senior Farmer's Market coupons. To learn more about mobile farmer's markets and the New Entry Sustainable Farming Project, visit nesfp.nutrition.tufts.edu/foodhub/mobile-market.

REVERE BEACH FARMER'S MARKET

Every Friday, through September 27

12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Waterfront Square, Oceanside

There is something for everyone at the new Revere Beach Farmer's Market. The expanded market will have several returning produce vendors, including Farmer Dave and Riverdale Farm, and a new produce vendor, JaeBird Farm, all of which will offer a wide variety of fresh, locally sourced fruits and vegetables. A variety of new local food vendors will also offer pre-made goods and products for every palate, including Tantine Mime's Gourmet, The Bread Shop, La Frontera Sabrosa, Forestopia, Beraka Juice, Cini Coffee and Del's Coffee Roasters, Cape Ann Fresh Catch, Chocolaffee, and Cow Hill Apiary. Artisan vendors featuring handcrafted jewelry, organic beauty products, and more will include Ikigai Organics, Souly Crafted, and Rex-WrapsJewelry.

The Revere Beach Farmer's Market will accept SNAP food stamp benefits, WIC vouchers, Senior FMNP vouchers, and Health Initiatives Program (HIP) reimbursements. State SNAP registration will have a table at several markets to field questions regarding SNAP and assist attendees with registration onsite.

FALL FESTIVAL SET FOR OCT. 5; CITY SEEKS PERFORMERS FOR INAUGURAL PORCHFEST

The City of Revere is hosting its first annual Porchfest as part of the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 5, from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM at City Hall Plaza (281 Broadway).

The city is calling for local vocalists, performers, and acts to participate. Performers should be able to perform a 30-45 minute set, bring their own instruments and gear, and have experience with stage performance.

Interested performers

are encouraged to submit an audition tape by emailing a video or link to revere_mayor@revere.org.

REVERE BEACH ART FESTIVAL RETURNS SATURDAY SEPT. 14

The Revere Beach Partnership is hosting the 7th Annual Revere Beach Art Festival on Saturday, September 14th, 2024. The festival will be held to showcase local and regional talent and to raise awareness and appreciation of the natural beauty of Revere's magnificent shoreline. We invite you to join us from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM to be a part of this special event. This event will be hosted at the MBTA Plaza at the Wonderland T Station.

Applications will be due on September 1st, 2024. Acceptance into the Festival will be the sole direction of the Revere Beach Art Festival Committee. Proceeds from the festival will assist scholarships for students pursuing an education in the arts.

- Things to note:
- Vendor fee is \$150
 - 10'x10' space, one 8' table, one chair
 - Free entry into the Live Art Competition for participating vendors
 - Electricity is not available
 - Please bring your own display materials to show your work. Keep in mind that it may be windy

along the beach and items must be secured

• An additional application is required to participate in the live art contest

If you would like to learn more about having a tent for your setup, please contact rlucia@fmpproductions.com for more information

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Scan here to view the application if you plan to participate as a vendor

LOST TO OVERDOSE

The City of Revere's SUDHI Office will host a Candle Light Vigil on August 31, 2024, at 7 PM at Overdose Memorial Park, located at the corner of Leverett Ave and Broad-sound Ave. This event is a night of remembrance and honor for those who have lost their lives to overdose. The community is invited to participate and reflect on the impact of this crisis. To add a loved one's name to the memorial list, please email csalemme@revere.org or npalermo@revere.org.

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CITY OF REVERE AND AMAZON HOLD BACKPACK GIVEAWAY AND CELEBRATION



First Lady of Revere Jennifer Keefe (back row, center) welcomes students and their family to the backpack giveaway celebration at Revere High School.

Cary Shuman Photos
The City of Revere, the

Revere Public Schools, and Amazon distributed 1,000 backpacks free of

charge to Revere students during an Aug. 22 back-to-school celebration at Revere High School.

Mayor Patrick Keefe, Supt. of Schools Dr. Di-anne Kelly, and Amazon Head of Community Engagement Jerome Smith welcomed students and their families to the event, wishing them success in the 2024-25 school year. First Lady of Revere Jennifer Keefe, Mayor's Chief of Staff Claudia Correa, Communications Associate Taylor Giuffre-Catalano, and Legislative Aide Rose Burns, along with department heads and city officials, also greeted students and their families at the celebration.



Mayor Patrick Keefe enjoys backpack giveaway day with Fatima Farrah, Najar Zoubicl, and Fatima Zahra Zoubicl.



Mayor Patrick Keefe, pictured at the City of Revere's backpack giveaway and back-to-school celebration with Jagmeet Kaur, Tavkeen Kaur, and Ojaspreet Singh.



Mayor's Chief of Staff Claudia Correa (left) and Amazon Head of Community Engagement Jerome Smith (back) share the joy at the backpack giveaway and back-to-school celebration with Revere students Salome Garcia, Guaggalupe Garcia, and Isaac Montoya at the Aug. 22 event.



Assisting at the backpack distribution station are School Committeewoman Aisha Milbury-Ellis, School Committeeman Anthony Caggiano, Mayor's Office Legislative Aide Rose Burns, and John Serino.



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Mayor Patrick Keefe and First Lady Jennifer Keefe, pictured at the backpack giveaway and back-to-school celebration at Revere High School.

IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL DAYS IN THE CITY OF REVERE



The Paul Revere School parking lot was filling up with students and parents, all waiting for the bell to ring to enter the school for the 2024-2025 school year.

Tuesday morning was that day every parent and student knew was coming. It marked the end of summer vacation, and time to put the skateboards and bikes under the porch and jump on a yellow school bus or take that walk to

one of many Revere Public Schools. This is a short week, Tuesday, Wednesday, and half a day Thursday, off Friday. The Labor Day Holiday starts next week, then it's a full schedule.



Mayor Patrick Keefe was welcoming students back at the Hill Elementary School.



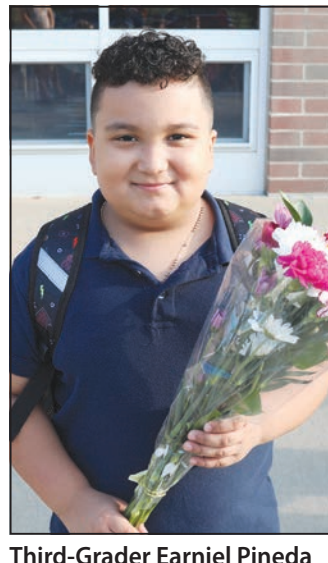
The Leal Santizo family heading to the Paul Revere School last Tuesday morning, Marcus pre-school, William Sr. William Jr.-1st Grade, and Carolyn.



Local students reunite with schoolmates and friends before the start of the new school year.



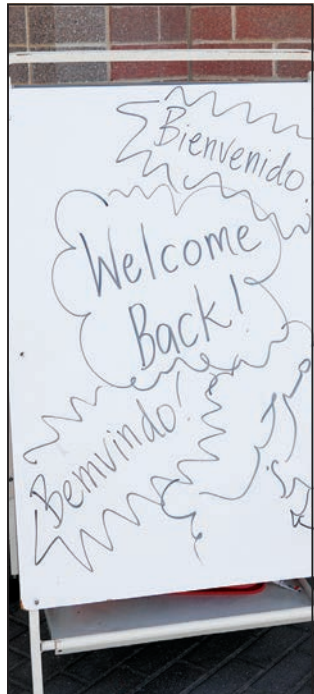
Nayeli Moranda, Josue Davila and Anahy Rivera at the Paul Revere School.



Third-Grader Earniel Pineda off to as great start, bringing flowers to his teacher.



Arriving by foot or by the big yellow school bus, it was back to school for the students of the Revere Public School system.



A welcome sign greets parents and students as they start the first day of the new school year.

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Forum

ENJOY A GREAT -- AND SAFE -- LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Although the weatherman is not predicting a great Labor Day weekend (as we're writing this, Saturday and Sunday are forecast for some showers), we hope that all of our readers will have a chance to make the most of the final weekend of the summer season.

The Summer of '24 overall has been just the way we like it -- hot and humid -- with just enough rainfall that it also was great for our lawns and gardens. This has been a banner year for vegetables and flowers of all types.

This summer also has been an unusually calm one. We belong to a rowing club on the South Shore that ventures a couple of miles out into the ocean as far as Minot's Light (those of our readers who are boaters no doubt are familiar with it, as are those who have taken the ferry to Provincetown, which passes close to it) and we never have experienced as many "flat water" days as we have had this year -- great for us, though not so much for the surfers and sailors.

In particular, the weekends were generally sunny, providing us with plenty of perfect summer days that we hope created memories that will last a lifetime for our friends, families, and ourselves.

Although the coming Labor Day weekend may not be quite as nice as we might like, the final weekend of the summer season always gives us one final opportunity to enjoy the last taste of summer in whatever way we choose.

However, as always, we urge our readers to do so safely, not only for ourselves, but also for our family members, friends, and loved ones, whether we are on land or on the water.

None of us wants to be a tragic statistic, and that means making sure that both we ourselves and those around us do not overindulge in alcohol. Yes, accidents do happen, even under the best of circumstances, but generally speaking, no one ever becomes a victim by being sober. It's when two beers become four or more that the chances for a tragedy increase exponentially.

We wish all of our readers a happy -- and safe -- Labor Day weekend.

SCHOOL'S BACK -- DRIVE WITH CARE

With schools going back into session this week and next after the summer vacation, morning rush-hour commuters need to readjust our driving habits to ensure that we take into account the thousands of children who will be filling our streets during our morning commute.

We'll admit that school buses, school crossing guards, etc. are a pain in the neck, especially if we're running a bit late on our way to work.

But that is no excuse for ANY sort of driving behavior that does not take into account the safety of the children in our communities.

Every morning commuter needs to be a patient and defensive driver, especially in the first few weeks of school, when children are walking and biking to school to take advantage of the early fall weather.

Each of us is responsible not only for our own safety, but also for the safety of others when we are behind the wheel of a motor vehicle -- and that is doubly true when school is back in session.

GUEST OP-ED

Navigating Negotiations: Revere Schools' approach to teacher contracts and community needs

Dear Revere Community,

As we welcome our students and staff back to Revere Public Schools, we are excited for a new year ahead of learning and joy. Just last week, we welcomed over 100 new teachers and staff members. We can't wait to see the success and new memories our students create this year.

Our teachers are shaping the lives of Revere students each and every day in schools across the city. We continue to negotiate a new teachers' contract in good faith with the Revere Teachers Association (RTA). We value all of our Revere Public School educators and want nothing more than to reach an agreement and ensure our teachers are in front of students in every classroom in the district.

After months of negotiations, we continue to work with union representatives and are hopeful to finalize a collective bargaining agreement sooner rather than later. We have made several landmark contract proposals, including a historic increase in wages,

the largest ever given in RPS history. The current average RPS teacher's salary is \$84,894 and would increase to \$94,578 by June 2027. The most common salary among veteran RPS teachers is \$104,822, and this would increase to over \$117,655 by June 2027. Our most senior educators with advanced degrees, including a longevity increment, would be making \$132,000 per year under our proposal to the RTA.

The RTA has cited reducing class sizes, creating safe working environments, and paid parental leave for birthing and non-birthing teachers as needs for our district. We believe it is important to share background on these issues with the community.

- **Class size:** RPS has over 7,000 students from prekindergarten through grade 12 with a student-teacher ratio of 12 to 1, which is lower than the state average of 13 students per teacher and lower than the national average of 15.5 students per teacher.

- **Safe working envi-**

ronments: We could not disagree more with criticism regarding the safety and cleanliness of our school buildings. Over the years, RPS and the city have invested hundreds of millions of dollars in either building new schools or updating our older buildings. Out of the eight RPS buildings, four are new within the last 20 years. While upkeep and maintenance can sometimes be challenging at our older buildings, we have invested in new windows and air conditioning units at the Lincoln, new boilers and a new roof at the Garfield, new boilers as well as heating and cooling univents at the Beachmont, and updated furniture at all buildings to create a comfortable atmosphere for educating and learning. We maintain a full-service pest control contract, and our phenomenal custodial and maintenance staff does a wonderful job taking care of every complaint they receive in a timely manner. Any claims to the contrary are patently false.

Last school year, we moved one step closer to

building a new Revere High School. The Revere City Council approved \$493 million bond authorization for the new high school, approximately \$238 million of which is bolstered by MSBA Grant funding.

Unlike other districts, with the exception of Revere High School, our buildings are 'new' or 'modern.' The Revere Public Schools do not mirror some other districts in the Commonwealth where students and teachers are teaching and learning in extremely dilapidated and outdated school buildings.

- **Parental leave:** This provision already exists in our teacher contract and covers all birthing and non-birthing employees. Currently, teachers can use accumulated sick time for parental leave. We have offered an additional five paid days for maternity or paternity leave—without disturbing the individual employees' sick time.

As we continue negotiations, our focus will be on families and caregivers. We have settled or have

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**40 years ago
August 29, 1984**

City Councillor Robert Haas Jr., a candidate for state representative, has pledged his support, if elected, for Everett State Rep. George Keverian in the battle for the Speaker of the House with current Speaker Tom McGee of Lynn.

Local resident Howie Hoffman, 21, has captured the National Powerlifting Championship in the 165 pound weight class held recently in Portland, Maine. Hoffman lifted 369 pounds in the bench press, 582 in the squat, and 672 in the deadlift.

**50 years ago
August 28, 1974**

New schedules await Revere students as they go back to school September 5 with the historic opening of the new Revere High School. Ninth graders now will be at the high school instead of the Garfield School, from where they formerly entered Revere High as sophomores. Changes also will take place in other schools throughout the city, affecting students in all grades.

A 33 year-old worker for the Youth Service Board was arrested by police after a raid at his home on charges of possession of marijuana and of possession with intent to sell 5000 pills of speed. Also present were several other persons, including a 16 year-old girl. Among the Revere officers on the raid were Richard J. McDonald, Edward MacManus, Michael A. Casoli, Elmer Bidder, James P. Jajuga, and Ronald J. Guilmette.

William J. Killion, well-known local funeral home director, died suddenly of a heart attack Tuesday. He was 63. He was a native of the city and a WWII veteran. He had owned and

operated his funeral home at the corner of Winthrop Ave. and Sprague St. since 1952.

The charity softball game held by the Revere Elks last week featured Boston Bruins stars Ken Hodge, Wayne Cashman, Eddie Johnston, and Dallas Smith.

Deputy Fire Chief Ernest J. Charrier received his gold retirement badge at a special roll call held at the Central Fire Station recently. Charrier has served for 30 years in the local fire department. Fire Chief Anthony Mastronardi presented Charrier with the gold badge.

**60 years ago
August 27, 1964**

City Treasurer Francis X. Shea has informed the City Council that the city has exceeded the state-mandated borrowing limit by \$335,217. He said that the city cannot exceed the state-imposed borrowing cap without receiving permission from the State Emergency Finance Board. Shea said that the city's debt stands at \$2,233,000. His report comes on the heels of a request by the School Committee to borrow an additional \$2.7 million for construction of the new Lincoln School and \$1.39 million for the addition to the Whelan School.

William H. Smith, Executive Dir. of the Revere Housing Authority since it was created in 1946, was tendered a retirement party this week

**70 years ago
September 2, 1954**

City Manager Edward P. O'Toole and other city officials have agreed that Hurricane Carol, which slammed through Revere Tuesday morning, caused even greater damage in the city than the devastating Hurricane of 1938.

They have estimated losses at over \$1 million and said it will cost the city at least \$100,000 to clean up the mess in the storm's aftermath. Revere Beach and the Point of Pines were hardest hit, but all sections of the city suffered damage. Towering waves flooded the city's low-lying streets and fierce winds ripped off portions of many buildings. A huge, double-feris wheel at Derby Park toppled onto Ocean Ave., bringing down power and MTA lines. The exceptionally high tide swept almost all of the sand that had been pumped onto Revere Beach by a recent resending project by the MDC back out to sea, making the \$250,000 project a total loss. About 150 persons were sheltered by the Red Cross in the basement of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

City Manager Edward P. O'Toole has rejected a request for a \$500 salary differential for 12 superior officers in the police and fire departments.

Walter Davidzick, 35, his bride of three months, Jean, 22, and her mother, Mary C. Kasper, all of 118 Pearl St., were killed in Duanesboro, N.Y. by a skidding tractor-trailer in a rainstorm. They were returning home from a delayed honeymoon trip to California.

Miss Margaret T. Moynihan, 58, of 51 Walnut St., assistant city clerk for the past 15 years, died

Monday after an illness of three months.

**80 years ago
August 31, 1944**

The toll of Revere's hero war dead increased by two this week with grim announcements from the War Dept. S/Sgt. Paul W. Cronin, 25, son of Police Lieut. and Mrs. Cornelius F. Cronin of 95 Reservoir Ave., was killed in France on August 4. News of the young soldier's death came as a shock to his family, which is one of the best-known in the city. He was one of the first volunteers to join the Army from Revere and was chosen to fill the ranks of the crack First Division, which was the first to land in Tunisia, North Africa, and then Sicily before returning to England to take part in the D-Day operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Domenic Mantine of 32 Geneva St. received word that their son, Pfc. Andrew J. Mantine, 28, died in France from wounds he received in action.

Unexpected joy and relief came to the parents of First Lieut. Ragnar E. Gustafson, who had been reported missing over France on June 17, when they received a letter from him informing them he was alive and well. Gustafson's bomber had been hit by anti-aircraft fire and all that had been known previously was that he and his comrades had parachuted from their plane.

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Public hearing scheduled for changes in city marijuana ordinances

By Adam Swift

The city is moving closer to possibly allowing the sale of recreational marijuana.

At Monday night's meeting, the council voted to hold a public hearing on several ordinance changes that would allow for recreational marijuana sales in the city in parts of certain zoning districts.

One ordinance change would allow for the sale of recreational marijuana sales in the city, while another proposed ordinance change submitted by Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri would allow for

zoning changes to allow the retail marijuana sales in certain districts.

"I do think it is time that we take this leap here in Revere; I think we are missing out on a ton of revenue," said Silvestri.

Silvestri said he believes the city has been taking the time to get the ordinance right and that it will create an avenue to bring additional revenue to the city.

While the state voted to approve recreational marijuana sales in 2016, Revere was allowed to prohibit the sales by ordinance since the majority of Revere voters rejected the ballot measure.

"In the years since, neighboring communities have reaped the benefits of additional 3% sales tax on marijuana products," planning director Tom Skwierawski and city policy writer analyst Claire Inzerillo stated in a letter to the council. "Additionally, given the heavy regulation of the industry, these facilities have operated for years without incident, in many ways no different than any other retail store."

The proposal before the council would allow for marijuana retail establishments by special permit in TED districts and in certain areas of GB and

HB (general business and highway business) districts.

At Monday night's meeting, Councillor-at-Large Michelle Kelley raised concerns about the inclusion of the southern side of Squire Road in the district near residential neighborhoods. Silvestri noted that the planning department was revising the ordinance so there would be a smaller district on that side of Squire Road.

Kelley also said she would like to possibly see a larger buffer zone for the marijuana facilities, and raised questions about the notification process for abutters during the special

permit process.

"The particular zones are something we anticipate the Council will want to weigh in on heavily, but they were created as a starting point in this conversation," Skwierawski and Inzerillo noted in the letter to the council. "Further, the special permit process ... establishes a 300-foot buffer for all Marijuana Establishments from schools, childcare facilities, libraries, playgrounds, public parks, etc. This buffer can be reduced with a waiver from the City Council, but provides a measure of control to ensure adequate protections are made to prevent diver-

sion to minors and, generally, to ensure the facility is otherwise adequately buffered from any perceived negative impacts."

At Monday night's council meeting, Skwierawski said the city is looking to set the number of retail licenses at three, or 20 percent of the package store licenses allowed by the city. He said he also expects further discussion on a provision for social equity licenses for the establishments in the city.

The public hearing is scheduled for the council's meeting on Monday, Sept. 23.

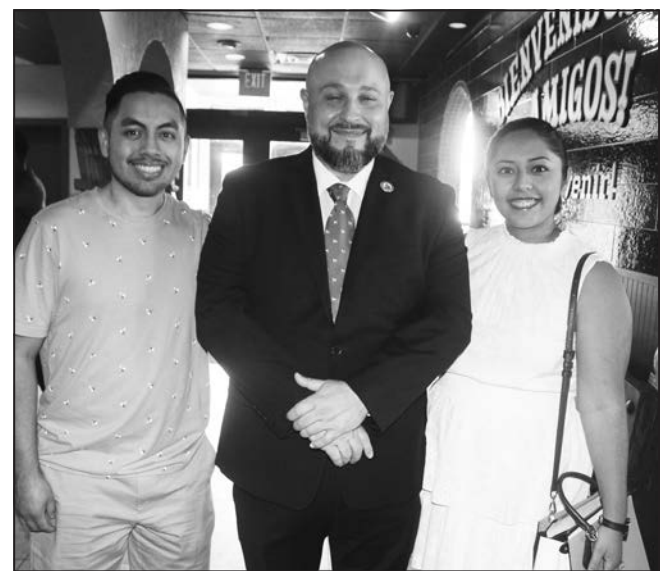
WARD 3 COUNCILLOR ANTHONY COGLIANDRO ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR RE-ELECTION AT RECEPTION



Councillor-at-Large Mark Silvestri (right) praised City Council President Anthony Cogliandro for his professional leadership of the City Council during his introductory remarks at the reception.



Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto, Rep. Jeffrey Turco, and City Council President Anthony Cogliandro.



City Council President Anthony Cogliandro welcomes School Committee Vice Chair Jacqueline Monterroso and her husband, Victor Monterroso, to the reception



Ward 4 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Anthony Parziale, City Council President Anthony Cogliandro, and Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna.



Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, City Council President Anthony Cogliandro, Ward 6 Councillor Chris Giannino, and Councillor-at-Large Bob Haas III.

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Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro, who is the current president of the City Council, announced his bid for re-election to the Council during a reception Sunday at Margueritas Mexican Restaurant.

"I am going to announce right now that I love this job so much and I will be seeking a third term next year," Cogliandro told the large group of supporters and colleagues in attendance. "There are two things that I've accomplished that I'm very proud of - one is the relationships that I've built with my constituents. I love helping my people. I do the best I can, and they know that. It's very gratifying when I'm able to improve their quality of life. Number two, I am so honored, if it were not my colleagues on the



City Council President welcomes Attorney Nancy O'Neil, a graduate of Harvard University, to the campaign reception.



Anthony Cogliandro, with his mother, Doreen DiRienzo.

Council, I would not have this position [as Council president]. If not for their trust in me, I would not be where I am."

Interestingly, Cogliandro chose to not focus on his many other accomplishments since taking office and being elected to the presidency. He used the forum to publicly thank his Council colleagues in attendance, Council, Mayor Patrick Keefe, and Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco, for their assistance, guidance, and experience.

Zambuto responded, "Thank you, [Council President Cogliandro]. A year ago, you asked me that you wanted to be president, and I knew you were ready. And you've done a great job, and I honor your friendship."

Cogliandro also expressed his gratitude to

his mother, world karate champion Doreen DiRienzo, with whom he directs the Revere Karate Academy.

Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri delivered the introductory remarks for his colleague. Silvestri lauded Cogliandro's excellent leadership of the

11-member governmental body.

"Anthony has shown me a way to handle yourself with professionalism - with a manner that I'm sure has been passed down from his mom and dad and the karate studio, Silvestri told the large crowd.



Council President Anthony Cogliandro addresses the crowd.



Stephen Damiano Jr., Jacqui Licon, Nelson Licon, and City Council President Anthony Cogliandro.

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tentative agreements with all four of our other unions that operate in our school and remain encouraged.

We are committed to keeping schools open and are already taking a proactive approach. We are confident that, in the event of an illegal strike, we can create a temporary program that keeps our schools open and minimizes the harm to students and their caregivers.

A strike in Revere and the closure of schools would cause enormous financial, emotional, and physical hardship. A closure would require a majority of our caregivers to make the painful decision to either leave their students home alone while they go to work or not

go to work and lose pay. This could affect families' ability to pay rent and buy groceries and other necessities.

This, above all, is why we are committed to keeping our schools open. We absolutely do not want a strike to occur. We remain steadfast in successfully concluding negotiations, signing a new teachers' contract, and having a positive school year for students, families, and staff.

The Revere School Committee consists of Jacqueline Monterroso, John Kingston, Stacey Bronson-Rizzo, Aisha Milbury-Ellis, Anthony Caggiano, and Frederick Sannella.



Ward 4 Councillor Paul Argenzio, School Committeeman John Kingston, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, City Council President Anthony Cogliandro, Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, and Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky.

OBITUARIES

Joseph A. Agri

He had a special talent for turning any situation into a moment of laughter

Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours on Thursday, August 29th in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere from 5 to 7 p.m., for Joseph A. Agri, who passed away unexpectedly on August 14th at 69 years of age. A Funeral Service will be held in the Funeral Home at 7 p.m.

Born and bred in Revere, Joseph took on the role of a father figure to his siblings, guiding and supporting them with love and strength. He was a graduate of Revere High School and his thirst for knowledge led him to Northeastern University, where he earned an associate's degree in computer science and a bachelor's degree in civil structural engineering. He also served his country honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam Era.

Joseph spent many years as an engineer at Raytheon before deciding to try his hand at entrepreneurship, launching a successful computer programming business.

A true Revere native at heart, he eventually traded the cold winters for the sunny shores of Naples, Florida, over a decade ago. His outgoing personality and knack for making people laugh quickly earned him new friends—though it's fair to say his witty sarcasm might have had something to do with it!

He took great pride in his job working security at the Naples Continental



Club, where he became more than just an employee; he was a beloved fixture in the community, forming close bonds with both his coworkers and the residents. Joseph loved being around people and had a special talent for turning any situation into a moment of laughter.

Hosting his daughters and their families at his Naples condo was one of his greatest joys. He was the kind of dad who always had fresh flowers on the table and a fridge stocked with their favorite treats, ready to welcome them with a warm smile and a joke, of course.

The beloved father of Krystal Ryan and her husband, Brendan of Canton and Tara Agri and her fiancé, Paul Stasio, Jr. of Woburn, he was the cherished grandfather of Natalia, Alayna, Skarlett and Hannah, former husband of Anna Agri of Woburn, dear brother of Louis Agri, Linda McElliott, Carmella Trott, Maryjo Lundquist and the late Debbie Shheen and devoted son of the late Mary Petrisino. He is also lovingly survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

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

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

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Lucy Perullo

Her love knew no bounds, her loyalty was unwavering, and her faith was unshakable

Lucy (Gatto) Perullo, 94, a lifelong resident of Revere, entered into rest at her home on August 26, 2024. Lucy was a shining example of loyalty, compassion, and love for all who were privileged to know her. Her thoughtful nature, inner strength, and limitless love for her family and friends formed the foundation of her extraordinary life. Additionally, Lucy's deep dedication to her faith was the guiding light that enriched her life and the lives of those around her.

Lucy's journey took her from being raised in Revere, graduating from RHS Class of '48, to working as a supervisor at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, where she served with dedication until her retirement. Lucy loved to cook, enjoyed Zumba, and bowling, but shopping always held the top spot. Lucy was an enthusiastic sports fan, she supported the Bruins, Red Sox, and NE Patriots. She was the most passionate about cheering on her children and grandchildren in their athletic pursuits.

Lucy's life was greatly blessed by the deep love she shared with her late husband, Charles Perullo. Together, they created a warm home filled with laughter and love. Lucy's greatest joy was her children and grandchildren, the center of her universe. She is survived by her three children: daughters, LouAnn and her husband, Christopher Stanton of Melrose and Mary and her husband, David O'Neill of Bridgewater and son, Charlie and his wife, Joanne (DeSimone) Perullo of Revere. Lucy also leaves



behind five grandchildren: Charlie Perullo, Nicole Perullo and her fiancé, Austin, James Perullo, Kristen and Tim Mickiewicz, and Kati and Tyler Begen, as well as two great-granddaughters, Cali and Isabella. Lucy was predeceased by her beloved sister, the late Anna and Eddie Boyce of Maine. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews, and her cherished Savage St. family. Lucy will be forever treasured and deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

As we remember Lucy, we invite you to share your memories, stories, and photos on her memorial page. Celebrate her life by sharing the moments that made her the loving, loyal, compassionate and thoughtful person that she was. Let's remember Lucy Perullo, a woman whose love knew no bounds, whose loyalty was unwavering, and whose faith was unshakeable.

A visitation will be held on Friday, Aug. 30, 2024, at Paul Buonfiglio Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at the Funeral Home on Saturday, Aug. 31st at 9 a.m. followed by church service at St. Mary's Church at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited.

Joseph Bertolino

Devoted husband and father

Joseph Bertolino, 88, a longtime Revere resident, passed away on August 20, following a long illness.

Born and raised in Marsala, Sicily, he was the son of Antonino and Angela (Chirco) Bertolino. As a young man, he immigrated to the United States over 65 years ago, settling in East Boston. He married Antonina "Anna" and the couple began their family soon relocating to Revere in the early 1960's.

Joseph was a devoted husband and father. He worked for many years as a meat cutter at his brother-in-law's company, Bertolino Beef. He also spent a number of years working in the same capacity at J. Pace & Son in Saugus. Joseph worked until the age of 80, when unfortunately, his health prevented him from doing so.

Joseph and his wife shared 65 years of marriage together. Joseph was a handyman; he had the skill of working with his hands and there wasn't a household project he wasn't afraid to tackle. He enjoyed completing numerous projects and improvements around his home.

The beloved husband of Antonina "Anna" Bertolino of Revere, he was the devoted father of Angela Prezioso and her husband, Angelo of



East Boston, Joanne Leone and her husband. Giovanni of Revere and Paula Cavaliero and her husband, Carmine of Dracut; cherished grandfather of Josephine King and her husband, John, Vincent Prezioso and his wife, Katherine, Antonina Prezioso, Nicolina, Antonella and Alexandra Leone, and Joanna and Anthony Cavaliero; adored great grandfather of Johnny and Julius King; dear brother of the late Antonino, Francesco and Pietro Bertolino, Antonina Rallo, Paolina Bertolino and Gaspare Bertolino. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and family in the U.S. and in Italy.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Anthony of Padua Church on Saturday, August 24, with interment following in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Remembrances may be made to the Bronchiectasis and NTM Initiative (COPD Foundation) 3300 Ponce de Leon Blvd, Miami, Florida 33134 or by visiting <https://www.bronchiectasisandntminitiative.org/donation>

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Edward "David" Tucker

Retired USPS Supervisor



Edward "David" Tucker, 81, passed away peacefully, after a

long illness, surrounded by his family and loved ones on August 15th, 2024.

David was born in Cambridge, grew up in Arlington and attended New Preparatory School in Cambridge. He was preceded in death by his parents, Horace and Lenora Tucker; his brothers, William Tucker of West Palm Beach, FL and Curtis Tucker of Dayton, OH; and his sister, Loraine Kessler Hill of Miami, FL.

David, a long-time resident of Revere, raised his family in Carver, MA and retired from the USPS as a supervisor in 1999. He was a veteran, served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War and was stationed in Europe.

He was an avid outdoorsman and loved spending time in Maine and Vermont. He had a quick wit and could always make you laugh. He will be sorely missed.

He is survived by his daughters, Cindi Tucker of Attleboro and Kristin Fortier and her husband, Marc of Norwell; three grandchildren, Erin, Matthew and Nolan; the love of his life, Rose MacPherson of Revere; her children: John MacPherson and his wife,



Liz of Michigan, Donna MacPherson, her husband Donny Higgins and their daughter, Emma of Revere, Billy MacPherson, his daughter, Ashley Cerasuolo and her husband, Mike; nieces and nephews and many loved ones.

Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours on Sunday, September 8, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals followed by a Funeral at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the New England Center and Home for Veterans, 17 Court St., Boston, MA 02108. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertucciosmithvazza.com

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Maureen Chamberlin

Her generosity knew no bounds

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Maureen Chamberlin, on August 25, 2024. Born on April 1, 1946, to the late Neil and Helen (Bryan) Gillis, Maureen spent her formative years in Charlestown before settling in Revere. Widely recognized for her compassionate demeanor, Maureen's generosity knew no bounds. She was a real-life testament to the idea that giving was more satisfying than receiving. She had a tremendous sense of humor and no one ever had to guess what Maureen was thinking!

Maureen's home in Revere was a sanctuary of love and joy. It was the epicenter of pool parties and family gatherings that she adored hosting. Her joy in decorating for every holiday, especially Christmas and St. Patrick's Day, was infectious, creating an ambiance that warmly welcomed all who visited.

For Maureen, family was not just an important thing, it was everything. Maureen was the beloved wife of the late Ret. Lt. Stephen Chamberlin, Sr. of the Revere Fire Dept. She is survived by her children: Stacey Buonfiglio and her husband Paul Buonfiglio III of Lynnfield, Stephen Chamberlin Jr. and his wife, Angela and Amy Chamberlin, all of Revere; her siblings, Neil Gillis and his late wife, Peggy of East Dennis, Jane Gillis Ryle of Medford, Eileen Gillis of Revere, Nancy Russell and her late husband, David of Maine, Joe and Linda Bryan of Andover, Linda Bard of Melrose and the late Ann Collins and Bobby and Kay Gillis; grandmother of Paul S. Buonfiglio and his wife, Bianca, Alexandra Walsh and her husband, Casey, Ava Buonfiglio and Nicholas Chamberlin; great grandmother of Roman,



Lorenzo and Paul Vincent Buonfiglio, and Joseph Walsh; aunt to Cheryl, Karen, David, Patrick, Johnny, Mary Helen, Vanessa, Jacquelyn, Michelle, Krissy, Bryan, Katie, Ruthie, Mack, Owen, Kristen and the late Paul. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

A Visitation to honor Maureen will be held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere today, Wednesday August 28 from 3 to 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St, Revere at 11 a.m. (Everyone go directly to church). Private Interment. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or at <http://act.alz.org>. In her, Maureen's spirit of love, generosity, and compassion will continue to live on. She leaves behind a legacy of warmth and affection that will continue to resonate in our hearts.

As we bid farewell to the remarkable Maureen Chamberlin, we encourage you to visit her memorial page to leave memories and upload photos that celebrate her life. Share your moments of joy with Maureen, and let's ensure her spirit continues to shine in our memories. For guest book please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

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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.

accident was reported at Dolphin and Atlantic Aves.

1211: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1236: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1301: Lost/found property on Pearl Ave. The officer filed a report.

1305: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway.

1307: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1328: Lost/found property on Ocean Ave. The officer filed a report.

1432: Suspicious activity on Carmen Lane. The officer filed a report.

1455: Larceny on Fenno St. The officer filed a report.

1513: Animal complaint on Assunta Rd. The officer filed a report.

1531: Fraud on Walnut Ave. The officer filed a report.

1616: Motor vehicle accident on Mountain Ave. The officer will file a report.

1725: A person who had been reported as missing was located on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1735: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on VFW Parkway for a civil motor vehicle infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1801: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Rumney Rd. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1837: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Prospect

Ave.

1838: Disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer restored the peace.

1853: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. An officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 30 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of shoplifting by asportation.

1942: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Fenley St.

1953: Blocked driveway on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

2002: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2002: Traffic complaint on Reservoir Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2018: Disturbance on Centennial Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2111: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Derby Rd.

2142: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Burnett Rd.

2201: Suspicious activity on Dunn Rd. The officer restored the peace.

2227: Fraud on Reservoir Ave. The officer filed a report.

2232: Unwanted person on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

2330: Noise disturbance on Green St. The officer spoke to the party.

2355: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2356: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Franklin Ave. and Highland St. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

0136: Parking complaint on Endicott Ave. The officer issued a parking ticket.

0221: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

0549: Motor vehicle accident on Walnut Ave. An

officer issued a citation to a 25 year-old Revere man for the criminal offense of leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage.

0550: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave.

0823: An officer ordered a motor vehicle to be towed on Squire Rd.

0851: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave.

0855: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Broadway and ordered the vehicle to be towed.

1008: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Bradstreet Ave.

1041: Parking complaint at York St. and No. Shore Rd. The officer ordered the vehicle to be moved.

1128: An officer kept the peace on Bennington St.

1131: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on the Revere Beach Parkway and ordered the vehicle to be towed.

1215: Disturbance on Centennial Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1220: Threats to kill on Furlong Drive. The officer filed a report.

1252: Fraud on Railroad St. The officer filed a report.

1332: Suspicious activity on Lancaster Ave. The officer investigated and filed a report.

1400: An officer provided assistance to a citi-

zen on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1405: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Squire Rd.

1416: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Broadway and ordered the vehicle to be towed.

1452: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1459: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1506: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1511: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Endicott Ave.

1537: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Revere Beach Blvd.

1542: A motor vehicle was reported stolen on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1545: Motor vehicle accident on Campbell Ave. The officer issued a citation to a 27 year-old Revere man for the criminal offense of negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

1628: Disabled motor vehicle at Park Ave. and Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1635: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Shirley Ave.

1636: An officer kept the peace on Broadway.

1726: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at School St. and Central Ave. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal

warning to the operator.

1740: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1756: Suspicious activity on Gore Rd. An officer ordered a motor vehicle to be towed.

1818: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1823: Motor vehicle accident at Brown Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1836: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Shirley Ave. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1901: An officer ordered a tow and hold for a motor vehicle on Joey Rd.

1909: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Walnut and Shirley Aves. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1925: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Winthrop Ave.

2022: Motor vehicle accident on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

2025: Motor vehicle accident on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

2119: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Furlong Drive for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

REVERE POLICE LOG

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

0125: Illegal dumping on Everard St. The officer provided assistance.

0533: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle.

0538: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Lantern Rd.

0734: Parking complaint at Pleasant St. and Broadway. The motor vehicle was towed.

0834: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Arcadia St.

0850: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Walnut Ave.

0938: Officers serving a warrant on the Revere Beach Parkway arrested a 54 year-old Malden man on the outstanding warrant.

0946: Parking complaint on Wave Ave. The motor vehicle was moved.

1013: Larceny on Overlook Ridge Drive. The officer filed a report.

1016: Blocked driveway on Dedham St. The motor vehicle was moved.

1044: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer spoke to the party.

1047: Motor vehicle accident on Squire Rd. A motor vehicle was towed.

1110: Fraud on Dolphin Ave. The officer filed a report.

1138: A motor vehicle

ARRESTS REPORTED BY THE REVERE POLICE FROM AUG. 9-18

The following are the arrests reported by the Revere Police Department in the public police log for the most-recent 10-day period of August 9-August 18. The log is a public record and is available for review. All persons who are arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

Officers responded to a disturbance on Squire Rd. and arrested two persons: Joseph Cardarelli, 55, of Quincy, for the criminal offenses of disorderly conduct, assault & battery, and resisting arrest; and

Ollin Hallaway-Bryant, 30, of Randolph, for the criminal offenses of disorderly conduct and assault & battery on a police officer.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Ward St. and arrested Miguel Mendez, 25, of Lynn, for the criminal offenses of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle. Mr. Mendez also was cited for the civil moving infractions of possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

Officers provided assistance on the Revere Beach Parkway and arrested Luis Garcia, 52, of Providence, RI, for being a Fugitive From Justice on a Governor's Warrant.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

Officers responded to a report of an assault on Overlook Ridge Terrace and arrested Paul Oliver Viala, 34, of Woburn, for the criminal offenses of assault by means of a dangerous weapon, assault & battery, carjacking, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Malden St. and arrested Edwin Ceballos-Hernandez, 36, of Everett, for the criminal offenses of illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance with intent to distribute, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, and trafficking in more than 36 grams, but less than 100 grams, of fentanyl. Mr. Ceballos-Hernandez also was cited for the civil motor vehicle infractions of failing to stop for a traffic control sign or signal and for using an electronic device while operating a motor vehicle.

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Romero, Alcides	Pazyra Jr Francis J Est	268 Proctor Ave	\$705,000
30-32 Campbell Rt	Daniels, Robert M	32 Campbell Ave	\$915,000
Salazar, Steve	Rodriguez, Carmen	33 Campbell Ave	\$700,000
Dicarlo Jr, Stephen J	Yuen, Steven	360 Revere Beach Blvd #403	\$600,000
Consoli, Edward	Carven Stephen M Est	402 Revere St	\$650,000
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The family of the former city councillor Rita Singer (standing adjacently to the plaque), including Mary singer, grandson and Revere Police Officer, Joseph Singer, son Bruce Singer Rita Singer, great-great-granddaughter Jayna Singer, son David, wife, Kristen Singer, daughter Leah, Rick Indorato, and back grandson, Phillip Singer are pictured.



State Rep. and former City Council President Jessica Giannino delivers a pre-recorded message at Monday's City Council meeting that featured a ceremony honoring the women who have served on the City Council.

Councilwomen // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

no-Sawaya, and Michelle Kelley.

Guarino-Sawaya said she has looked up to many of the former women city councillors and was honored to be part of the ceremony on Monday night.

McKenna thanked all the female councillors who served before her and helped lead the way for the city.

"I'm honored to represent the people of Revere, and in terms of the past councillors, I have big shoes to fill," said Kelley. "Everyone did such a wonderful job, and thank you for leading the way for me to be able to be here and represent you."

City Clerk Ashley Melnik's speech in full is as follows:

"Good evening elected officials, former elected officials and their families, and residents of the City of Revere.

Today marks a significant day in the history of United States of America. On August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution was certified by proclamation changing the face of the American electorate forever. The 19th Amendment granted women the right to vote. This right was achieved after decades of struggles, protests, marches, and so-called "civil disobedience"

by the champions of voting rights for women.

In 1973, the United States Congress designated August 26th as Women's Equality Day to commemorate the 19th Amendment. It is only fitting that a plaque commemorating the women of the Revere City Council be dedicated this evening to coincide with such an important milestone. If not for the women's suffrage movement and passage of the 19th Amendment, we, as women of the Revere City Council, very well may not have had the opportunity to be in the positions we are in today as elected officials or as department heads.

To each of the remarkable women who have served, are serving, and will serve on the Revere City Council. Your dedication, vision, and tireless work have profoundly shaped our community, fostering progress and inclusivity. You have championed vital causes, from advocating for social justice to enhancing public services, and have inspired future generations of women to engage in civic leadership. Today we celebrate your contributions and build upon the legacy of your invaluable service.

Today we honor the following women:

1. Margaret "Peggy" O'Hara. Councilwoman O'Hara was the first woman to serve on the Revere City Council. She was appointed At-Large in 1973 by the City Council to replace her husband, Edward L. O'Hara. She served through the remainder of 1973.

2. Rita Singer. Councilwoman Singer is one of the first women elected to serve on the Revere City Council and the first woman to represent Ward One. She is the longest serving woman and was also elected Council Vice-President in 1980. She served from 1976-1993.

3. Elvira "Vera" Curcio. Councilwoman Curcio was one of the first women elected to serve on the Revere City Council and the first woman to represent Ward Three. She served from 1976-1981. Vera's daughters could not be present today, but I would like to acknowledge Joanne Curcio, Georgette DiGiovanni, and Debra Columbus who are watching from home.

4. Catherine Penn. Councilwoman Penn was the first woman to represent Ward Two and was the first woman President of the Revere City Council. She served from 1980-1986.



Ward 5 Councillor and honoree Angela Guarino-Sawaya, pictured at the ceremony with her husband, Anthony Sawaya, their son, Anthony Sawaya, and his friend, Ashley Brogan (left).

5. Linda Santos Rosa. Councilwoman Rosa was the first woman elected to serve At-Large. She was Council Vice-President in 1990 and 1993. Prior to her Council tenure, Linda served on the Revere School Committee from 1984-1987. She served on the City Council from 1988-1993.

6. Denise Salemi. Councilwoman Salemi was the first woman to represent Ward Six. Prior to her Council tenure, Denise served on the Revere School Committee from 1990-1995. She served on the Council from 1996-1999.

7. Jessica A. Giannino. Representative Giannino was the first woman City Councillor to be elected to the Massachusetts General Court (2020). During her tenure on the City Council, she served as Vice-President in 2013, and President in 2016 and 2018. Jessica served on the Council from 2012-2021. Representative Giannino could not be here today, so she has prepared a short video to share.

8. Joanne McKenna. Former educator of the Revere Public School System was first elected to represent Ward One in 2015. She served as Vice-President in 2018 and 2023, and President Pro Tempore in 2023. She has served on the City Council continuously since 2015 and at the end of this term will earn a place on the Legis-

lative Bench.

9. Angela Guarino-Sawaya. Councilwoman Guarino-Sawaya was the first woman elected to represent Ward Five who began her inaugural term in office this year.

10. Michelle Kelley.

Councilwoman Kelley began her inaugural term in office this year representing the residents of our community At-Large.

Thank you all for your service. This concludes tonight's presentation."



Former Revere city councillor Catherine Penn, pictured with her daughter, Marcy Mucci, and her husband, Brian Mucci.



Councillor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto thanks City Clerk Ashley Melnik for organizing the ceremony honoring women who have served on the Revere City Council. In remarks at the ceremony, Zambuto praised Melnik as "the best city clerk in Massachusetts."



The O'Hara family, including well-known Revere Police Capt. Amy O'Hara (fourth from left) turned out to honor Margaret "Peggy" O'Hara on being the first female city councillor in the history of Revere. Included above, granddaughter Mia, daughter Erin DeNorfirio, granddaughter Caitlyn, Daughter Amy Shea, grandson Frank Shea, Daughter Lynn Caramello, daughter Lauren O'Hara

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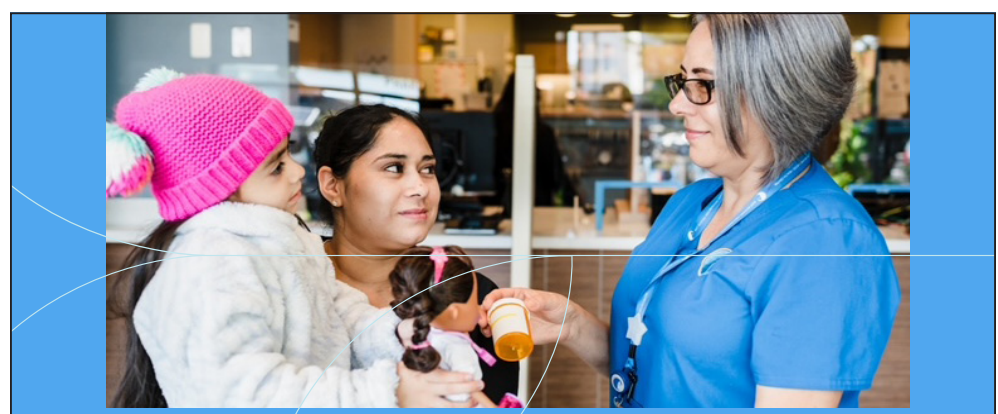


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Sports



REVERE FALL ATHLETICS SET TO GET UNDERWAY

The fall sports season for Revere High athletes is scheduled to get underway in the coming week.

The Revere High girls and boys soccer teams will kick off their 2024 campaigns with contests against Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Somerville next Thursday, September 5.

The boys, who will be traveling to Somerville, will have a 16-game schedule, with 14 contests against their seven GBL foes (Malden, Medford, Somerville, Chelsea, Revere, Lynn Classical, and Lynn English) and two with non-league opponents St. Mary's of Lynn and Central Catholic in the final week of the season.

The boys generally will play two matches per week on Tuesdays and Thursdays under veteran head coach Manny Lopes. The RHS girls soccer

team, under the direction of new head coach Ariana Rivera, likewise will play a 16-game schedule, of which 14 will come against their seven GBL foes and two with non-league opponents Milton and Haverhill.

The Lady Patriots, who undoubtedly will be inspired by the success of the young stars of the Gold Medal U.S. women's team at the Paris Olympics, will host Somerville in their season-opener at 4:15 on the field at Revere High.

The RHS field hockey team will open its season on Friday afternoon, September 6, at 4:00 on the turf at Harry Della Russo Stadium under the direction of head coach Alexandra Butler.

"The pre-season has been going well and our team is really excited for the upcoming season," said Butler, whose 2024 squad will be led by a trio of captains, seniors Jordan Martello and Ana Kalliavas and junior Gem-

ma Stamatopoulos. "We lost nine seniors from last season, but we have been able to recruit new players and grow our team.

"It is evident how much hard work the team put in over the summer, both in conditioning and playing in summer leagues, as they came back to practice even stronger than last year," Butler added.

Revere is only one of three GBL schools that compete in field hockey (Malden and Everett are the other two), which means that Butler and her crew will be facing an array of non-league opponents for the majority of their schedule.

The RHS football team also will be kicking off their 2024 season on Friday, September 6, under the lights at HDR starting at 6:00.

The schedules for the other fall RHS sports, girls volleyball, golf, and cross-country, had not been posted as of press time.

Celebrating History Unbeaten 1964 Revere High football team to be honored at Harry Della Russo on Sept. 6

Special to the Journal

The start of this year's high school football season marks the 60th Anniversary of one of the most compelling chapters of Revere High School sports history.

The 1964 RHS Patriots, coming off a one-loss season in 1963, rolled through the first eight games of their independent schedule with a 7-0-1 record and were poised to face Winthrop on Thanksgiving Day in a game that would decide the Massachusetts Class B Championship.

However, a shocking decision just days before Thanksgiving by the

Massachusetts Secondary Schools Principals Association determined that the Revere football lineup included a player who was ineligible to compete, and Revere was forced to forfeit its first eight games.

After heavy rain postponed the Thanksgiving Day kickoff to Saturday, November 28, Revere-undaunted in the face of the devastating ruling-topped Winthrop 8-0 in a thrilling game decided in the final seconds.

Revere High and Boston College graduate Brandon Brito, an assistant coach at RHS, is completing a documentary film about the 1964 saga. The September 6 ceremony

that will include members of the 1964 team will be included in Brito's film, currently scheduled for release on November 23.

This is a chance for football fans young and old to come honor a team that exemplified grit and determination and achieved so much more than just wins on the field.

Come celebrate history, and be part of history yourself! Please make plans to attend Revere v. Whittier, Friday, September 6, 2024, 6:00pm kickoff. Cheer for the current Patriots and give a round of well-deserved applause to the boys who wore the blue and white 60 years ago.

New Turf Project and Rumney Marsh Field Underway

Special to the Journal

Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr. and the City of Revere Parks and Recreation Department are pleased to announce the commencement of the replacement of the artificial turf at Rumney Marsh Academy. This project, representing a half-million-dollar investment, began on August 20, 2024, and is expected to be completed within two and a half weeks. The new turf

installation is a yet another step forward in enhancing the quality and safety of recreational areas, parks, and open space in Revere.

The Mayor, Patrick M. Keefe Jr., spoke of his commitment to rejuvenating parks and open spaces in Revere, commenting, "We had the opportunity to rejuvenate a popular community space, and uplift those who use it. Revere is home to many exceptional athletes, record breakers, and even folks just start-

ing out: All of our residents and guests deserve a recreational space that is aesthetically pleasing, safe, and dependable. It is yet another part of Revere that we can be proud of."

The new turf is designed to provide superior playability, featuring a state-of-the-art surface that closely mimics natural grass. Athletes will benefit from optimal traction, cushioning, and shock

See FIELD UPDATES Page 13

REVERE YOUTH FOOTBALL PREPS FOR SEASON



Anthony Zagarella, Santino Pereira, and Carlos Garcia from the Gladiators were on hand Monday evening at Harry Della Russo Stadium to pick up their uniforms and gear for the upcoming season. See more photos on Page 13.

Hou, Metawea, Martinez, Woodard selected RHS football captains

By Cary Shuman

Revere High School head football coach Lou Cicatelli has announced that seniors Danny Hou, Adam Metawea, Darian Martinez, and Gio Woodard have been selected as team captains for the 2024 season.

All four captains are two-way performers. Hou is the Patriots' starting quarterback and defensive back. Metawea is an offensive tackle and defensive tackle. Martinez is a running back and linebacker. Woodward is a running

back and defensive back.

"The team voted for the captains, and I congratulated all four on officially being our team leaders," said Cicatelli.

Revere will compete in a scrimmage against Northeast Regional Friday at 10 a.m. at Harry Della Russo Stadium.

The Patriots scrimmaged Burlington High last Saturday. "I thought we played well," reported Cicatelli. "We have a young team with a lot of sophomores. I think if we stay healthy, we're going

to be very competitive."

Cicatelli said there are 45 players in preseason camp, a smaller number than in previous seasons. "I'm seeing smaller turnouts around the Greater Boston League," said Cicatelli. "The numbers are thin everywhere."

Cicatelli is excited about the regular season opener set for Friday, Sept. 6 at 6 p.m. versus Whittier Tech at Della Russo Stadium. A large crowd is expected as the unbeaten 1964 Revere High team will be honored at halftime.

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Players from the Revere Youth Football Program met last Monday evening at Della Russo Stadium to get prepared for the 2024 season.

Last Monday evening players and cheerleaders gathered at Della Russo Stadium during the evening to pick up their uniforms, pads, and helmets. This was a great opportunity for old friends to reunite, and a chance to meet new teammates.



Dillon Medina, Rocco Spiriti, and Carrington Guzman are looking forward to a great season playing football.



Chris Almonte from the U-11 age group.



Mia Kos and her bestie Ella Bevedzic are cheerleaders for the U 10-11 squad.



The cheerleaders from different squads gathered at Della Russo Stadium. The younger cheerleaders are looking forward to getting help from the older girls on the squad.

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absorption, which are expected to reduce the risk of injury and enhance overall performance. Engineered to withstand the rigors of intense use, this turf boasts exceptional durability and resilience. Its advanced material composition ensures that it maintains its appearance and functionality over time, even under heavy traffic and harsh weather conditions.

Committed to environmental responsibility, the new turf is made from eco-friendly materials and is fully recyclable. The material eliminates the need for irrigation, significantly reducing water usage, and minimizes

the necessity for harmful chemicals and fertilizers. The low-maintenance nature of the turf will also save time and resources for facility managers, as its innovative design helps prevent debris buildup and simplifies cleaning processes. Furthermore, the turf's aesthetic appeal, available in a variety of colors and textures, offers a visually appealing solution for sports fields, playgrounds, and landscape design.


Michael Hinojosa, Director of the City of Revere Parks and Recreation, expressed his enthusiasm for the project, stating, "I am excited to announce

this transformative project as the first of many under Mayor Keefe's administration. We believe this new turf will set a new benchmark for excellence and contribute positively to the community we serve."


The replacement of the Rumney Marsh Academy turf field underscores the City of Revere's commitment to providing top-quality recreational facilities for its residents. This investment is part of Mayor Keefe's broader initiative to enhance public spaces and promote community well-being.



Team work, U-14 Gladiators Dio Marco-Mendoza and Jason Rivera.




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THE STUDENT SENATE STAR

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

ONE YEAR OF THE S.S.S!

We've made it one whole trip around the Sun (a star)! How fitting!

This month marks our first year of being featured in the Revere Journal. We'd like to thank all of the students that have contributed and the readers that have enjoyed what we have to offer! From seeing our monthly editions hung around classrooms, hallways, and many enjoying online, it warms our hearts to see the reception grow to be this positive. If you'd like to check out the past year of editions, scan the QR code below:



BOXES OF CRAYONS... AND BALLOTS?

The August of last year, just as every August before it, was a period of both relaxation and fear. As students across Revere prepared for heading back to school, shelves of school uniforms and pencils were cleared. This is the same across the rest of the nation, except for one unique difference. The chaotic and stressful Revere Election Season was upon us, in ways that now seem like distant memories. Large billboards stood tall as smaller signs marked with names choked the walls of small businesses. While students had a stress of their own, so did candidates. Now, as the buzz of a tumultuous debate, election, and local political season are behind us, we enter a not-so-unique period: the Presidential Election.

With the stress of a new school year and the political climate across the nation growing tense, the students of my class are dealing with newfound responsibilities: applying for college, figuring out their futures, and gaining the right to vote. While these may seem vastly different, the questions that arise within me throughout the process remain the same: Which mascot suits me more? Do I support all of their values? Am I making the right decision?

Whether it's an educational institution or the Commander-in-Chief, it's necessary to not allow the final goal (of a dream college or President-Elect) to distract us from our values and other means of change. College is meant to be an opportunity, regardless of the "elite" status of the name on your acceptance letter. Presidents are meant to be questioned and pressured to fulfill their policies, just as we should treat the other names on our ballots. Through this reflection can

we work to challenge the legacies of institutions that thrive off of elitism, as well as the monopoly held by Presidential Candidates on the way people think of politics as a whole. College and politics is what we make of it, not what institutions make of us. As I fill out my Common Application and my ballot, I understand that the checking off of a box is not the end, but only the beginning.

— Erta Ismahili, Student Senate Chair

50 YEARS OF REVERE HIGH! ON TO 55?

As we enter the 2024-2025 school year, Revere High School enters its 50th year of existence. For thousands of students (and seemingly thousands of years), the Revere High School along School Street defined their adolescence. Do you remember the stench of the crowds? Perhaps the creaky lockers and jammed windows? With the chipping walls or the dimly lit halls, many say that the people they found along the way is what made the journey so special. As the plans for the new Revere High School are finalized, it can be difficult for many within the community to leave a piece of their teenage years behind, asbestos and all. As the new Revere High School is projected to be built by 2028 at the earliest, another milestone isn't guaranteed. Many students are excited by that prospect. With the fear of high taxes, worsening traffic, and additional delays, many residents are understandably fearful. However, it's necessary to consider that many students already pay the cost of a poorer education. Celebrate the milestone of 50 years! Hopefully, it'll be the last for us.

— Shine Brightly, Student Senate Star

Massachusetts House passes Prescription Drug Access, Pharmacy Benefit Manager Oversight Bill

Special to the Journal

The Massachusetts House of Representatives have passed major legislation entitled An Act promoting access and affordability of prescription drugs, which protects patients and independent pharmacists by regulating the pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) industry; by banning many of the industry's worst business practices; by increasing transparency into PBMs and drug manufacturers through the Health Policy Commission (HPC) and the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA); and by reducing or eliminating copays for certain chronic conditions. "Many folks in Massachusetts face cost barriers in access to the medications they are prescribed,

especially for many of our most vulnerable residents who live with chronic disease. This bill aims to reduce the out-of-pocket cost of certain lifesaving drugs and ban certain business practices that are commonly used by PBMs to increase their own profits at the expense of patients," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "Critically, this legislation also builds on the four major health care bills that the House has already passed this session, all of which are focused on increasing access to quality, affordable health care for folks across the Commonwealth. I want to thank Chairman John Lawn for his tireless work on this bill, as well as all my colleagues in the House for recognizing the need for action on this is-

sue." "Patients are paying too much for the lifesaving medicine they need," said Representative John J. Lawn, Jr. (D-Watertown), House Chair of the Joint Committee on Health Care Financing. "Today, the House moves under the leadership of Speaker Mariano to give direct relief to patients at the pharmacy counter by regulating Pharmacy Benefit Managers; increasing oversight into the pharmaceutical industry; and reducing copays for certain chronic conditions. This bill balances the need for innovation by industry and the moral imperative for better value for the residents of the Commonwealth." "I want to thank Speaker Mariano and my colleagues in the House for their steadfast support of this vi-

tal legislation. Cost should never inhibit Massachusetts residents from gaining access to prescribed medication that they need to function and survive. This is a key milestone for the Commonwealth, and I am proud to have been a part of its passage in the House," said Representative Jessica Ann Giannino (D-Revere).

"For decades our fellow citizens have been getting taken advantage of by the pharmacy benefit managers, the so-called middleman, in prescription drug pricing. These companies have driven up the cost of prescription drugs while reaping perverse profits, all on the backs of our fellow citizen. This legislation is a first step to bringing accountability to this hidden force which interferes with the free market, damages the public interest, and drives up costs. I look forward to getting

a final bill to Governor Healey for her signature," said Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco (D-Winthrop).

Regulation & Auditing of the PBM Industry

Following a Federal Trade Commission (FTC) report issued earlier this month which details the undue influence of PBMs on the prescription drug market, the bill passed today licenses PBMs operating in the Commonwealth, subjects them to the Massachusetts Division of Insurance (DOI) and health insurer audits, and curbs some of their most abusive practices.

As the FTC report details, the PBM industry has experienced significant horizontal consolidation and vertical integration, with five of the top six PBMs vertically integrated with insurers, pharmacies, and provider

services.

Due to decades of mergers and acquisitions, the three largest PBMs now manage nearly 80 percent of all prescriptions filled in the United States, while six PBMs manage more than 90 percent of total U.S. prescription claims. A mostly unregulated industry, PBMs wield enormous power and influence over patients' access to drugs and the prices they pay, negotiating the terms and conditions for access to prescription drugs for hundreds of millions of Americans.

The bill passed by the House today requires PBMs to be licensed with DOI every three years. PBMs will also be required to pay an application fee of \$25,000. It also mandates that DOI audit PBMs once every three years and provides for periodic audits by health insurers who contract with PBMs.

Consumer & Pharmacy Protections from PBM Abusive Practices

Spread pricing is a practice by which a PBM pays a pharmacy a lower price for a dispensed drug than the price a health insurer agrees to pay for the drug. This allows PBMs to use their significant market power to increase their own profits, rather than pass along savings to consumers.

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POINT OF PINES YACHT CLUB CELEBRATES BLESSING OF THE FLEET

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Under an ominous July sky, the Point of Pines Yacht Club celebrated their annual Blessing of the Fleet Event. The Blessing of the Fleet is a centuries old tradition that includes a blessing from a local priest to ensure safe and bountiful boating and fishing seasons.

Due to uncooperative weather and rescheduling conflicts, Pastor Wayne blessed the boats on Saturday and festivities continued on Sunday.

Sunday's festivities began with Commodore Vincent Piccinni's Officer Reception with the newly elected board members. Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe spoke about the maritime community in the city and positive vision for the future of Revere's coastal footprint. Ward 5 City Councilor



Mike Pegnato and his wife Stephanie receive their blessing at the recent Blessing of the Fleet at the Point of Pines Yacht Club.

Angela Guarino-Sawaya made note of the valuable relationship between the Yacht Club, the Point of Pines Beach Association and the friendship built with current Commodore Vin Piccinni.

The 2024 Maryalice Downey Scholarships were presented at the event. This year there were

five recipients including Paul Vincent Capodilupo, Kaitlyn Hurley, Cole Malatesta, Sarah Quigley and Jake Sherman.

A special recognition was awarded to Charles MacLaughlin and his wife Elaine who initiated the scholarship back in 2014 after the 100th year anniversary of the Point of

Pines Yacht Club.

After the reception the celebration continued on the docks with food stations and music.

Revere's Kaitlyn Hurley received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Maryalice Downey Scholarship Fund. She is the daughter of Revere resident and Harbormaster John Hurley and his wife, POPYC member, trustee, and committee Co-Chair Kelly Svendsen-Hurley. Kaitlyn attended the Whelan Elementary and Rumney Marsh Academy Schools. She recently graduated from Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School in Haverhill. Kaitlyn recently participated in the Agganis All-star Games as a softball catcher representing her beloved Whittier Wildcats. Kaitlyn plans to attend Merrimack College and study Nursing in the fall.



Ron Clark, Point of Pines resident and past Commodore of the Point of Pines Yacht Club, receives his blessing from Pastor Wayne at the Blessing of the Fleet.



Commodore Vin Piccinni and his wife Pauline accept blessings from Pastor Wayne at the Blessing of the Fleet at the Point of Pines Yacht Club.



'Sweet Pea' receives a blessing with owner Charles MacLaughlin at the helm at the Blessing of the Fleet at the Point of Pines Yacht Club.



Pedro and Patricia Marroquin receive their blessing at the Blessing of the Fleet at the Point of Pines Yacht Club.



Charles MacLaughlin accepts his Recognition Award for implementing the Maryalice Downey Scholarship Fund from Committee Co-Chairs Kelly Svendsen-Hurley and Eileen A. Horgan.



Kaitlyn Hurley pictured with her father, Revere Harbormaster John Hurley, as she received her scholarship award from Committee Co-Chair Kelly Svendsen-Hurley.

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SOUNDS OF SILENCE

Rockers like Joe Vadala (above, in the 1980s) are sad to see the rapid decline of the area's music scene. **PAGE 12.**



LAST MASS

Michael and Donny Salvo prepare for the final Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Beachmont. The parish will officially close Sept. 1. **PHOTOS, PAGE 11.**

WIDE APPEAL

Area karate academies are attracting a wide cross-section of students. **FEATURE, PAGE 9.**

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POLITICS

Capitol planning

By RICH GRIFFIN
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Since Senator John Kerry announced his candidacy for president, speculation has run rampant over who would fill Kerry's Senate seat if he were to beat President Bush in November's election. The majority of the Massachusetts congressional delegation — including Malden Democrat Ed Markey, who represents Revere — hasn't hidden

If the opportunity arises, Ambrosino will seriously consider running for Markey's congressional seat

their interest in seeking Kerry's seat if it is vacated.

While pundits and pollsters have paid close attention to the Massachusetts congressman who looks to fill Kerry's seat, few have taken a look at those who would fill Markey's congressional seat.

Markey has represented the 7th

District — which includes 19 cities and towns from Revere to Lincoln — since 1976.

While many politicians readily admit that a series of events would have to unfold for Markey's seat to open — Kerry would have to beat

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Revere Mayor Thomas Ambrosino (left) says he is at home in City Hall, but the chance to succeed Edward J. Markey (right) as the U.S. Congressman from the 7th District is something he will 'take a serious look at' should the opportunity arise.

PROPERTY

What's in a sliver of a street? More than you realize

By SETH DANIEL
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We know times are tight for city government, but we didn't know things were so bad that the city needed to sell its streets.

Yet that's exactly what happened last year on Sherman Street in Ward 6 on the Revere/Malden border, and this summer that situation has boiled into a neighborhood controversy that has made some in City Hall think twice about the sale of the land.

Since the 1960s, a 100-foot long by 40-foot wide connecting street has existed at the end of Sherman Street. At its halfway point, the Revere/Malden city line dissects the street. By the naked eye, the street appears to be an extension of Malden's Shurtleff Street.

However, on paper in City Hall records, the street is nothing more than two paved 1,600 square foot parcels of land that have been owned by the city since the layout of the neighborhood. The street doesn't actually exist on paper — despite what it looks like to the naked eye.

For some three decades, Emily Soscia of Sherman Street has been backing her car out of the garage and onto the non-existent street. Most neighbors — and some drivers seeking a short cut — have used the street as another way of coming or going.

"It's been a street down there every since I can remember," said Jenny Gobeo, one of the older residents on the block. "Then they moved in and took over."

The "they" referred to above is the other side of this odd story.

"They" are Paul and Charlene DiPlatzi, who moved to the street a few years ago. In an effort to make the area safer for their children and to enlarge their yard, they asked the city to sell them half of the street in June 2003.

After several public meetings and no opposition from the neighborhood at that time, the city sold half the street to DiPlatzi for \$2,000, even though the property was assessed at \$11,300 in city records, with the understanding that he wouldn't build on the land.

Then, things were quiet.

This summer, however, DiPlatzi began to cordon off his new property, putting up a white fence (as

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CALLING ALL STUDENTS

Nicholas Quarantiello, principal of the Paul Revere School, has no problem communicating with students and parents Tuesday morning, the first day of school in Revere. School will be in session on Wednesday and Thursday before a two-day break (Friday and Monday) for Labor Day. For school menus, turn to Page 4.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Lack of suspense; three bridges deemed 'deficient'

By SETH DANIEL
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Revere has three structurally deficient bridges, according to a recent report issued by Mass Highway.

The good news is that all three bridges — the Revere Street Bridge (near Billy Tse's) and the two Marsh Road bridges, one over the Pines River and the other over the Diamond Creek — are in the process

of being replaced.

The three bridges join 551 bridges throughout the commonwealth that Mass Highway has deemed structurally deficient. Of those, 150 are under construction, 250 are in the design stage and the remaining bridges have yet to be addressed.

Judith Forman, a spokeswoman for Mass Highway, said the report was part of Gov. Mitt Romney's "Fix it First" campaign, which empha-

sizes spending federal dollars to repair the state's old and crumbling infrastructure (such as roads and bridges) before building new highways in the suburbs.

Structurally deficient doesn't mean the bridges are condemned, though. Forman said Mass Highway evaluates bridges on four different criteria: deck, superstructure, substructure and culvert (if necessary). If one of those four areas is below the

standard, the bridge is termed structurally deficient.

"It does not mean it's unsafe," she said. "If there's an issue with the bridge, we post a weight limit sign, and if need be, we'll close the bridge if it's unsafe."

Forman said of the 4,442 bridges in the state, 42 percent were built between 1950 and 1970. Most of

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This year, we'll be taking a weekly journey through the pivotal headlines of 2004, revisiting the year's most significant events.

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CITY OF REVERE HOLDS ECUADOR FLAG RAISING CELEBRATION



El Grupo De Danza performed at the celebration honoring the Ecuadorian flag and residents of the Ecuadorian community in Revere.

Cary Shuman Photos
The City of Revere and the Council Latino held an Ecuadorian Flag Raising

Ceremony Aug. 8 at City Plaza.
Mayor Patrick Keefe welcomed many residents from the city's Ecuadorian

community to the event that honored the South American country's history and culture.



Mayor Patrick Keefe and Chief of Staff Claudia Correa (second from right) join Liana Jorge and Ana Santos, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, and Elections Commissioner Paul Fahey, in welcoming representatives from the Ecuadorian community to the flag raising ceremony.



Asmaa Abou-Fouda, Liana Jorge, and Ana Santos, pictured at the Ecuadorian flag raising ceremony at City Hall Plaza.



A resident proudly displays the flag of Ecuador at the ceremony.



Some of the young guests at the ceremony hold small flags of Ecuador.



Mayor Patrick Keefe delivers the welcoming remarks at the Ecuadorian flag raising ceremony at City Hall Plaza.



City Councillors Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Ira Novoselsky, and Paul Argenzio joined Mayor Patrick Keefe in celebrating the Ecuadorian heritage of many Revere residents.



Revere DEI Director Steven Morabito delivers remarks at the flag raising ceremony.



Eric Reidister, legislative aide to Sen. Lydia Edwards' Office, is pictured at the flag raising ceremony.



Revere resident Alberto Vasallo III, publisher of El Mundo, is pictured at the flag raising ceremony.



The flag of Ecuador is displayed moments before it was raised to the top of the flagpole located at Revere City Hall.



Nelson Torre Samaniego speaks about the history of Ecuador at the ceremony.



A family arrives for the Ecuadorian flag raising ceremony at City Hall Plaza.



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Revere residents to participate in Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk

Special to the Journal

Six residents from Revere will participate in the Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai on Sunday, October 6.

Giada Caruso, Renee Griffin, Geraldine Cole, Marilyn Hammer, Andrea Testa, and Lily Garceau, along with thousands of other walkers, will participate in the iconic annual event that will unite the community to raise funds

to support all forms of adult and pediatric care and research at the nation's premier cancer center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The Jimmy Fund Walk has raised more than \$176 million for Dana-Farber in its 35-year history, raising a record-breaking \$9.4 million in 2023.

"For 35 years, the Jimmy Fund Walk has continuously supported lifesaving research and cancer care at Dana-Farber. Our goal is to build off of the

momentum we've established throughout that history, and in 2024, aim to surpass our total from last year by raising \$9.5 million," says Caitlin Fink, assistant vice president of event fundraising. "Fighting cancer is what we do. The Walk unites our community under a common goal —to defy cancer together."

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is the only organized walk permitted to use the famed Boston Marathon® course, and participants have the flexibility to choose from four distance options: 5K walk (from Dana-Farber's Longwood Medical Campus); 10K walk (from Newton); Half Marathon walk (from Wellesley); and Marathon walk (from Hopkinton). Walkers can participate virtually as well.

Whatever route participants choose, they will

be supported by hundreds of volunteers and treated to refueling stations with refreshments throughout the course. Poster-sized photographs of patients—Jimmy Fund Walk Heroes—are the heart of the event and appear along the course as inspiration. All routes will conclude at the Jimmy Fund Walk Finish Line Powered by Schneider Electric at Boston Common, by the corner of Charles and Beacon Street. Finish line activi-

ties will include a celebration with food, entertainment, and more.

To register for the Walk (#JimmyFundWalk) or to support a walker, visit www.JimmyFundWalk.org or call (866) 531-9255. Registrants can enter the promo code NEWS for \$5 off the registration fee. All registered walkers will receive a bib, medal, and Jimmy Fund Walk T-shirt.

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A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 08, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23A of Chapter 38 of the General Laws, that a meeting of the Revere Housing Authority will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 70 Cooledge Street, Revere, Massa-

chusetts. REVERE HOUSING AUTHORITY
By: Dean Harris Executive Director
8/28/24 R

LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF REVERE MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Notice of Public Hearing
Pursuant to, Mass. General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, the Revere Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 7:00 P.M., in the City of Revere Council Chambers on the second floor of the Revere City Hall, on a Notice of Intent from Francisco J Arriaza Escobar (applicant) to permit and issue an order of conditions for extending driveway at 29 Putnam Rd. The application is on file and is available for public inspection in the Conservatin Commission Office at 249R Broadway, Revere, MA on Monday through Thursday from 9 A.M.to 4:30 P.M.
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LEGAL NOTICE

SUFFOLK. ss. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DOCKET NUMBER: SU23P2236

To all persons interested in the matter of Alice Griffin of Revere in said County of Suffolk—a person under conservatorship. A petition has been presented to said Court, for license to sell a private sale certain real estate of Alice Griffin, 175 Ward St. Unit 53, Revere, MA 02151 in the County of Suffolk, for maintenance and praying that the petitioner Jonathan Davey, Esq. may become the seller of said real estate. See attached description of said property to be sold. EXHIBIT "A" Unit 53, the address of which is 175 Ward Street, Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, a unit of the Condominium known as Dartmouth House Condominium established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A, by Master Deed dated July 8, 1982, and registered with Suffolk Land Registration Office on July 22 1982, as Document No. 363604. The Condominium is comprised of the land with the buildings, improvements and structures thereon shown on the site plan filed with said Master Deed and entitled "Site Plan 175 Ward Street Condominium Revere, Massachusetts" Scale: 40 feet to an inch dated April 21, 1980 by Selwyn & Kirwin Assoc.-Reg.. Land Surveyors. The Unit is shown on the floor plans of the building recorded simultaneously with said Master Deed and on the copy of the portion of said plans

attached to the Unit Deed to the Mortgagor(s) recorded herewith. Said Unit is conveyed together with an undivided percentage interest in the common areas and facilities as described in the Master Deed. Together with any parking space conveyed to the Mortgagor(s) in the Unit Deed or hereafter acquired and any or all storage areas which the Mortgagor(s) now or hereafter acquires the exclusive right to use. For title reference, see Unit Deed dated April 4, 1983, filed as Document No. 369385 and Certificate of Title No. C52-42. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 25th day of September 2024, the return day of this citation. Witness, Brian J. Dunn, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 15th day of August 2024. Stephanie L. Everett, Register.
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LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Valdirene Dos Santos to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., its

successors and assigns, dated October 16, 2006 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40593, Page 1 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2020-2 is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to OneWest Bank, FSB dated June 1, 2011 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 48016, Page 138, and Assignment from OneWest Bank, FSB to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC dated May 23, 2017 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 58005, Page 22, and Assignment from Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC to Select Portfolio Servicing Inc. dated January 22, 2019 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 60686, Page 315, and Assignment from Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2020-2 dated February 27, 2024 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 69942, Page 325, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 105 Bradstreet Avenue, Revere, MA 02151 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on September 18, 2024, at the mort-

gaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land with the buildings situated in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot No. 15 and Block "O" as shown on a "Plan of Section 'E' Seashore Division of Orient Heights, Revere, Mass., belonging to Boston Land company," dated 1874, recorded with Suffolk Deeds at the end of Book 1284 and bounded and described as follows: NORTHEASTERLY: by Bradstreet Avenue, Fifty (50) feet; NORTHWESTERLY: by Lot 14 in said block, One Hundred (100) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY: by Lot 50 in said block, Fifty (50) feet; and SOUTHEASTERLY: by Lot 16 in said block, One Hundred (100) feet. Containing according to said plan Five Thousand (5000) square feet. Be any or all of said contents or measurements more or less. Being the same premises conveyed to Valdirene Dos Santos, Dated July 29, 2005 and Recorded with the Suffolk Registry of Deeds on August 1, 2005 at 01:49 PM at Book 37697 Page 269 For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 37697, Page 269. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to

precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession. Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Freddie Mac Seasoned Loans Structured Transaction Trust, Series 2020-2 Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Dos Santos, Valdirene, 23-044356
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LEGAL NOTICE

City of Revere MASSACHUSETTS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Notice of Public Meeting
Pursuant to Mass General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, the Revere Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 7:00 P.M., in the City of Revere Council Chambers on the second floor of the Revere City Hall for a Notice of Intent submitted by Eight Avon, LLC proposing to redevelop the site by razing an existing two-family dwelling and constructing a multi-family residential building and associated appurtenances partially within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (Special Flood Hazard Area, Zone AE). The address where these activities are proposed is 8 Avon Street (Assessors ID: 10-168A-8). The application is on file and is available for public inspection in the Conservation Commission Office at 249R Broadway, Revere, MA between the hours of 8:00am and 7:00pm on Monday, between 8:00am and 5:00pm Tuesday through Thursday, and 8:00am and 12:00pm on Friday.
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Revere Native, Dianne C. Braley, publishes second novel

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Revere native Dianne Braley debuted her first novel, *The Silence in the Sound*, in 2022. Set in both Revere and Martha's Vineyard, her book detailed the devastating effects of growing up in addiction. It was also inspired by her time as a nurse caring for Pulitzer Prize-winning author and island resident William Styron. The book won many awards including the The NYC Big Book Award 2022, Pencraft Award for Literary Excellence and the



Revere native and author Dianne C. Braley

Literary Titan Silver Book Award.

On the heels of the success of *Silence in the Sound*, Braley will be releasing her second novel, *THE SUMMER BEFORE*, in October. The synopsis of the books is based on the friendship of Madeline and Summer.

"Madeline and Summer are more than best friends. They might as well be sisters; they've claimed the title, anyway—and sisters tell each other everything. But Summer has a secret she's been hiding for years. Someone's been hurting her, someone close, and when it comes out, it destroys everything around her with the force of dying stars. Six years after the trial, Madeline is a haunted young woman trying to build a new life in Boston, but the guilt of her betrayal brings her to the brink of suicide. To let go of the past, Madeline must confront her father, mother, and all those in-

involved with the trial that split her family apart—continue her descent, finishing what she started to escape it."

Dianne grew up in Revere with her brother and parents including an alcoholic father. "We lived a life settled uncomfortably in dysfunction and unpredictability. My mom struggled to make ends meet but made us feel like everything was fabulous. I don't think my brother Richard, and I ever knew how poor we were or how bad things were for her and us. By some miracle, my father became sober not long after, which was something we never thought possible, although I wanted nothing more. He was a massive drinker and suffered tremendously. It was difficult to watch and more difficult to live with. Growing up with an addicted parent or guardian affects kids in many ways; all kids are different. For me, I lived with an innate

feeling that something was very wrong. I seriously felt the world was so backward in all my questions being a child about the world. The answers I received and saw by example always felt wrong—nothing made sense, making me anxious and alone. You don't know if it's your fault or you think maybe you can fix it. You also wonder if you are not lovable because if you were, wouldn't this all stop?"

Part of the proceeds of *The Silence in the Sound* went to the RFK Community Alliance Organization and their COASA (Children of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse) division. Braley collaborated with the RFK organization and the Martha's Vineyard Ocean Academy program on the island that runs a well-known sailing camp on the Shenandoah (one of the Black Dog tall



ships) to have one of the RFK kids get the experience of a lifetime, sailing for a week with the Martha's Vineyard Ocean Academy. To learn more about

Dianne's latest novel and to find a link to preorder it, you may visit her website at <https://diannebraley.com>.

Oversight Bill // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 14

10 percent surcharge on PBMs that engage in these banned practices.

PBMs also use their market power to negotiate significant discounts, called "rebates," from pharmaceutical manufacturing companies on the list price of prescription drugs. These savings are generally shared by PBMs and health insurers. Rebates retained by PBMs are another source of profits for PBMs, while health insurers claim their share of rebates is used to reduce premiums.

The bill passed today requires PBMs and health insurers to forward at least 80 percent of rebates received by carriers or PBMs to consumers at the point of sale.

Further, the bill passed by the House today:

- Requires pharmacies to charge consumers the lesser of their applicable cost-sharing amount or the pharmacy retail price, so that consumers no longer unknowingly pay more for their prescription drugs when using their health insurance benefits than they would if they paid the pharmacy retail price.

- Ensures that patients that get assistance paying for their prescription drugs are not penalized by their health insurers by requiring health insurers and PBMs to include any cost-sharing amounts paid by an enrollee or another

third party on behalf of an enrollee when calculating an enrollee's total cost-sharing contributions.

- Imposes a duty of good faith and fair dealing on PBMs when dealing with all parties with which they interact in the performance of PBM services.

- Requires PBMs to provide an adequate and accessible network for prescription drugs.

- Establishes that PBMs must maintain a Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) list for generic prescription drugs and must reimburse an independent pharmacy for drugs at the same amount that the PBM reimburses PBM affiliates for providing the same pharmacist services.

- Makes permanent the ability of consumers to use drug manufacturer coupons to pay for prescription drugs.

- Requires any entity that intends to close a pharmacy or pharmacy department to notify the state in writing at least 60 days before the proposed closure date. If the state finds that the intended closing is likely to result in the creation of a pharmacy desert, the state must conduct a public hearing to present information on alternative sources of pharmacy services available to impacted consumers and allow interested parties the opportunity to share comments and concerns about

the proposed closure.

Transparency into PBM & PMC Business Practices

Currently, there is limited transparency into PBMs' operations and revenue. This bill increases transparency into the business practices of PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies by requiring PBMs and certain pharmaceutical manufacturing companies to submit data to CHIA for the HPC's annual cost trends report, and mandatory participation in the HPC's annual benchmark hearing process.

It also assesses PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies for the expenses of HPC and CHIA in a similar manner as current health care providers, while increasing the penalty for noncompliance with CHIA data reporting requirements from \$1,000 per week to \$25,000 per week. This applies to all entities required to report, which would now include PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies.

The bill also establishes an Office of Pharmaceutical Policy and Analysis within the HPC to better advise the Legislature and state agencies on matters related to pharmaceutical drug policy and tasks the new office with studying cost and access issues with

groundbreaking cell and gene therapies that are due to be released by 2035.

Co-payment Caps on Medications for Certain Chronic Illnesses

This legislation passed today reduces or eliminates the price on medications for diabetes, asthma, and the most prevalent heart condition among a health plan's enrollees.

Twenty-two percent of Massachusetts residents reported they did not fill a prescription, cut pills in half, or skipped a dose because they couldn't afford

it, according to a Alterum report. Limiting and reducing copays is a health equity issue – people of color are disproportionately impacted by chronic conditions such as diabetes, asthma, and hypertension. Black and Hispanic residents were more likely to cut pills in half, skip a dose, or not to fill a prescription due to cost.

To ensure that everyone, especially at-risk populations, are getting equitable access to the medication they need, the bill requires insurance carriers to identify one generic drug and

one brand name drug used to treat diabetes, asthma, and the most prevalent heart condition among its enrollees.

Identified generic drugs are covered without any cost sharing and the copay for identified brand name drugs are capped at \$25 per 30-day supply. It also provides for annual reporting by insurance carriers to DOI on the list of drugs with no or limited cost sharing.

Having been passed by the Senate, the bill now goes back for its further consideration.



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