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NEWS BRIEFS

99TH ANNUAL ITALIAN FEAST OF SAINTS COSMAS & DAMIAN THIS WEEKEND

It's that time of year again when the streets of East Cambridge will come alive for the 99th Annual Italian Feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian this weekend - September 6, 7 and 8 on Warren, Cambridge and Porter Streets in East Cambridge. The three-day fun family event features a wide variety of sweet and savory food, a beer garden, amusement rides, games, parades and music that spans four decades of dance, pop, and rock. Festivities begin on Friday at 6:00pm when Saints Cosmas and Damian accompanied by members of the Society, the North End Marching Band, and the faithful process for their permanent home at 17 Porter Street in East Cambridge to the outdoor chapel overlooking the festival concourse on Warren Street. At 7:00pm, a special healing service with the holy relics of Saints Cosmas and Damian and led by Monsignor Anthony Spinoso (formerly from East Cambridge) from the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon will take place at the outdoor chapel.

Warren Street Party Night will begin at 7:30pm with a performance by 1980's sensation SNAP! Featuring Thea Austin singing mega hits "I Got The Power", "Rhythm Is A Dancer" and more. Then 1990's icon Bren-

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Students facing disciplinary action following fight at RHS

By Journal Staff

About one dozen students face disciplinary action following a fight that broke out at Revere High School last Thursday.

During the fight, one staff member was struck and transported to the hospital out of an abundance of caution. That staff member was reported to be at home and feeling fine.

"Revere Public Schools is among the highest achieving school districts in the state and we work every day to provide a safe learning environment for every student," district officials said in an official statement on the incident. "At Revere High School on Thursday, a physical altercation involving several students occurred during the transition to lunch period. We have zero toler-

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Council to consider changes to Broadway parking

By Adam Swift

A recently completed parking study for Broadway and the surrounding area shows that there are an adequate number of parking spaces, but that the city can take steps to more effectively and efficiently allocate those spaces.

Some of those recommendations made by Stantec, the consultant that completed the study, included adjusting parking rates so that they are higher in high-priority areas and lower in less-used areas near Broadway. Stantec also recommended the city improve its signage to point motorists to less-used parking spaces and lots and make improvements to the lighting and sidewalks leading to those spaces.

"In overview, what this study shows is we do have enough parking on Broadway, it is really important to make sure that our parking is most effectively and efficiently allocated, and that's really what this study looked at," said Tom Skwierawski, the city's planning and economic development director.

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SCHOOL DRESS CODE CLOTHING EXCHANGE AND BACKPACK DONATION FOR REVERE STUDENTS



Through a partnership with the City of Revere, El Concillo Latino de Massachusetts, Inc., Amazon, and the Revere Arabic Community, RPS was able to distribute donated school uniforms and hundreds of backpacks last Thursday to students as the new school year gets underway. As shown, RPS administrators, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Lourenço Garcia and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Danielle Mokaba-Bernardo, joined School Committee members John Kingston and Anthony Caggiano to help representatives from the City of Revere, El Concillo Latino de Massachusetts, Inc., Amazon, and the Revere Arabic Community distribute the uniforms and backpacks. See more photos on Page 10.

364 Ocean Ave. building condemned 41 tenants facing prospect of homelessness

By Journal Staff

The Revere Board of Health voted last Thursday at an emotion-filled meeting to condemn the 13-story Water's Edge Apartment building at 364 Ocean Ave., leaving the long-troubled building's 41 remaining tenants in the 91-unit building, many of whom are senior citizens and others with young children, facing the prospect of a serious disruption to their lives, if not homelessness.

On hand for the session were chair Dr. Drew Bunker and fellow members Kathleen Savage and Viviana Catano.

Outside city counsel Paul Tellier of D'Ambrosio LLP presented the city's unambiguous position that the building must be condemned because of health and safety reasons that pose a risk both to the residents and the surrounding area.

"We're for one reason," said Tellier. "Water's Edge Limited and Evelyn Carabetta (the property's owner and manager) have

utterly failed to satisfy the minimum standards for the health, safety, and well-being of their tenants under the state sanitary code. They have had an egregious history and repeated code violations.

"Over the past 20 months, Water's Edge has failed to take action," Tellier charged. "The residents are living in a moldy, rat-infested building with no fire alarm and no fire safety system. They have not paid their contractors or paid the city of Revere for the 24/7 fire protection in the building. They have not paid their taxes and they are delinquent on its mortgage.

"You have no choice tonight," Tellier continued. "Condemnation is necessary for the protection of the residents and the city at large. This property has a long and sordid history of code violations dating back to 2017, including non-functioning life safety systems. The city issued an order to correct the problems on August 2, 2017, but those issues have not been corrected,

particularly relating to the fire safety systems, with only minimal repairs since that time."

He noted that in November of 2018, there was a water damage issue at which time the Fire Dept. observed that the fire panel no longer was functional in the high-rise building, which was one of the first buildings to be completed in the redevelopment of Revere Beach in the mid-1980s. City officials ordered the owners to hire a Fire Watch, which has meant that a Revere firefighter has been on the premises 24/7 at Water Edge's expense in order to monitor the building for fire.

Then on December 21, 2022, the city issued a new

Order to Correct, citing a number of public health and safety violations, including that the fire alarm panel and fire pump were inoperable and needed complete replacement. In addition, numerous sprinkler heads were corroded and were not working.

"We understand the terrible situation the tenants are in -- we are on their side," said Tellier. "We had hoped that Water's Edge would follow through with their promises. However, we cannot delay the inevitable or risk the lives and safety of these tenants. The owner must provide the tenants with comparable, suitable housing. Water's Edge has

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Markey seeks protections for warehouse workers

Special to the Journal

Senator Edward J. Markey (D-Mass.), chair of the Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Subcommittee on Primary Health, and Retirement Security today joined Amazon warehouse workers and labor leaders in Revere to urge passage of the Warehouse Worker Protection Act, legislation that would protect warehouse workers by prohibiting dangerous work speed quotas that lead to high rates of worker injuries and requiring companies to disclose what quotas apply to workers.

"I am proud to stand with warehouse workers to call attention to the exploitative and dangerous conditions at Amazon. Companies

like Amazon would rather protect their bottom line than protect the workers that make their companies run. Workers are forced to break their own backs to try and make a living for themselves and their families," said Senator Markey. "We must pass my Warehouse Worker Protection Act to protect warehouse workers from corporate greed, to ensure that they are treated with respect, and provide the safety, security, and support they rightfully deserve."

"Amazon is leading a race to the bottom where corporations abuse warehouse workers and sacrifice their health and safety for profits. Teamsters will fight for workers wherever they are ready to assert

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PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IN REVERE



CARY SHUMAN PHOTO

In a family tradition, Rep. Jessica Giannino (left) and her grandmother and campaign manager, Joann Giannino, arrived together at the Whelan School where they cast their ballots in the primary election. The duo is pictured outside the polls Tuesday morning. The former president of the Revere City Council, Rep. Giannino is unopposed in her bid for re-election to a two-year term.

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Lottery held for affordable units at new Revere condo development

Special to the Journal

Roy Avellaneda, Listing Agent, and Michael Albano, Listing Broker, of Metropolitan Boston Real Estate announced that they, along with Revere city officials, held the lottery to select buyers for 18 of the 20 affordable units at North Strand Condos, a 71-unit mixed income development located just off Route 1 at 133 Salem Street in Revere, the former site of the West Re-



The North Strand Condos at 133 Salem St., Revere.



vere Health Center.

The lottery was held on Monday, August 19th, 2024, in the City Council chamber at Revere City Hall. In attendance were Mayor Patrick Keefe; Tom Skwierawski, Director of Planning & Development; Joe Gravalese and Matt Wolford, respectively

Chair and a member of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; and members of the public, including some number of applicants.

A total of 131 prospective buyers submitted applications during the 60-day application period which ended on July 31st, 2024. Of those, 97

eligible applicants were included in the lottery.

All 97 eligible applicants' names were drawn from a spinning drum beginning at 6 PM. Preference was given to applicants who either live or work in Revere. The results are available at:

<https://www.northstrandcondos.com/nsc-lottery-results>.

Two units were earmarked for veterans. But, as there were no veteran applicants for those units, the City has left the application period for those two units open until September 13th, 2024, and, assuming at least two applications are received from eligible veterans, a second drawing will take place on September 18th. If both of those units cannot be awarded to veterans they would be awarded to an applicant from the previous drawing.

Area developer Broadway Capital acquired the former West Revere Health Center (when), and working together with Metropolitan Boston Real Estate, which specializes in marketing mixed-income residential development, have created 51 market-rate and 20 affordable-rate studio, 1 BR, and 2 BR apartments. Said Roy Avellaneda, Listing Agent, "With North Strand Condos, Broadway Capital has given new life to a property, and in the process, created a real opportunity for people in general, but especially, folks who live or work in Revere to realize the American dream of home ownership."

There are still market rate units available. Contact Roy and set up a showing or attend an upcoming weekend open house.

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their power, fight for their rights, and stand up to corporate greed. The Teamsters will be there standing with them, shoulder to shoulder. The Warehouse Worker Protection Act will force transparency and accountability and raise the standards nationwide in an industry that used to provide good, union, middle class jobs everywhere. It's time for Congress and the Massachusetts Legislature to take a stand to give all workers the fair and dignified workplace they deserve," said Tom Mari, President of Teamsters Local 25.

make an impact for these workers and President Tom Mari has been in this fight since we first started, doing everything in his power to move this campaign forward. Teamsters Local 25 understands this is a pivotal moment for our future and we won't rest until greedy corporations give all warehouse workers the wages, safety and respect they deserve," said Chris Smolinsky, Director of Organizing for Teamsters Local 25 and International Brotherhood of Teamsters Eastern Region Organizing Coordinator for the Amazon Division.

"The more we talk to Amazon warehouse workers who constantly describe the most abusive and dangerous workplace imaginable, the more determined we are to help them. International Brotherhood of Teamsters General President Sean O'Brien's strong leadership is empowering us to

The Warehouse Worker Protection Act would require companies to provide written notice to workers of quotas and prohibit dangerous quotas - including those that rely on constant intrusive surveillance, interfere with workers' ability to use the bathroom and take guaran-



Mayor Patrick Keefe joins officials in welcoming Sen. Edward J. Markey to the city. From left, are Rep. Jeffrey Turco, Rep. Jessica Giannino, Mayor's Office Communications Associate Taylor Giuffre-Catalano, Mayor's Office Legislative Aide Rose Burns, Chief of Planning and Community Development Tom Skwierawski, Sen. Edward J. Markey, Mayor Patrick Keefe, and Councillor-at-Large Juan Jaramillo.

teed breaks, violate health and safety laws, or prevent workers from exercising their right to organize. The legislation also directs the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to create an ergonomic management standard for warehouse workers.

Large companies seek to maximize profits by instituting exacting quota systems that push workers to their physical limits, resulting in high injury rates that can, in some cases, be permanently disabling and a loss of dignity at work. A report released in May 2024 by the National Employment Law Project (NELP) and other worker groups demonstrates that one in fifteen Amazon workers sustain injuries, with Amazon representing 79 percent of large warehouse employment but 86 percent of all injuries. Recent data shows also that more than half of workers (54% of Amazon and 57% of Walmart) reported that their production rate makes it hard for them to use the bathroom at least some of the time. In addition, the NELP report indicates that these quotas are sometimes applied with-



Pictured at the press conference hosted by Senator Edward J. Markey on Tuesday in Revere are, from left, Mayor's Office Chief of Staff Claudia Correa, Chief of Planning and Community Development Tom Skwierawski, and Police Chief David Callahan.

out employer disclosure, despite employees being held accountable to those standards.

Senator Markey, along with Senators Tina Smith (D-Minn.) and Bob Casey (D-Pa.), introduced the Warehouse Worker Protection Act on May 2, 2024.

The Warehouse Worker Protection Act is cosponsored by Senators Tina Smith (D-Minn.), Bob Casey (D-Pa.), and Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.), Alex Padilla (D-Calif.), Kirsten

Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), Peter Welch (D-Vt.), and Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), and Laphonza Butler (D-Calif.).

The Warehouse Worker Protection Act is endorsed by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the United Food and Commercial Workers, the National Employment Law Project (NELP), the Athena Coalition, and Oxfam America.

Mayor Patrick Keefe and State Reps. Jessica Giannino and Jeff Turco spoke in support of Sen. Markey's bill, the Warehouse Worker Protection Act.

"Revere isn't just a union city: we're a community that recognizes the vital role unions play in safeguarding our workers' rights," said Keefe. "Senator Markey has once again shown us what true leadership looks like with the Warehouse Worker Protection Act. This legislation sends a powerful message to Washington and the entire nation: that

workers' safety and dignity are non-negotiable. We're fortunate to have leaders like Senator Markey, a true champion of labor rights."

Rep. Giannino who also thanked Markey for his advocacy on the issue of workers' rights, said, "We are so lucky to have you making sure that bad actors like Amazon don't put profits over people. In the City of Revere, we know what that means - because we know that strong families start with strong union jobs. The City of Revere has strong, strong union ties. We're a blue-collar community. I see former councilor Steve Morabito [in attendance]. When we served on the Council together, the City of Revere was one of the first communities to pass the wage theft ordinance. We're still fighting for that on Beacon Hill."

Rep. Jeff Turco concluded the speaking portion of the program, stating, "Sen. Markey, everything that you've done is working for and improving the quality of life for the working men and women that made America great and made Revere great."

Referring to a quote by the late Robert F. Kennedy in 1964 about doing what is right, Turco said, "This bill that you've introduced, and [State] Sen. Lydia Edwards has introduced [in the Mass. Senate] is the right thing to do for working men and women. I'm so proud to stand up here with you and the members of the labor unions to say, enough is enough."

Turco noted that State Sen. Lydia Edwards was unable to attend the press conference because she is in basic training for the U.S. National Guard as a JAG officer.

Revere TV
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SPOTLIGHT

Be on the lookout for a new Fall themed episode of "Cooking with the Keefes," featuring Mayor Patrick Keefe and first lady Jennifer Keefe! The duo was in the kitchen studio last week to record this episode. The staff got to sample butternut squash ravioli in a brown sage butter sauce and apple fritter muffins. Delicious! Follow along on your own and make something seasonal to start getting into the spirit of Fall. This episode of "Cooking with the Keefes" is now playing on the Community Channel and will remain posted to YouTube.

Amazon partnered with the City of Revere to coordinate a backpack giveaway. This happened at Revere High School just before the school year started. Students got to pick a backpack of various colors stuffed with school supplies. Get a look at what this was all about in a highlight video now playing on the Community Channel. You will also find the video on RevereTV's YouTube page.

Continue to watch replays of some of this month's most popular programs. "Fabulous Foods with Victoria Fabbo" is still scheduled daily for a few more weeks. This episode is an instructional video featuring local restaurant owner of Chai Bar on Broadway, Nasim. Follow along on television or at your own pace on YouTube. The newest episode of "The Wave" is also playing daily. Watch to hear from Nicole Da Silva, a Revere High School intern for the Chamber and REQ Consulting's managing members, Greg Ehlers and Alex Pomponio. The "Life Issues with Judie VanKooiman" September episode is set for Thursdays at 6:30pm and Sundays 1:30pm.

The weekly announcement series, "In the Loop," had some unique events to highlight. First, note that Makareim Al Akhlaq School in Revere opens on September 14th. For details and registration, visit www.revere-arabiccommunity.org or watch "In the Loop" on social media and YouTube. In other news, the City of Revere and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund are holding a veterans-preference lottery for two affordable condominiums at 133 Salem St, Revere. Veterans can apply from August 23 to September 13, 2024, with the lottery set for September 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Revere City Hall. To learn more about this opportunity, visit the Affordable Housing Trust Fund webpage on revere.org.

RTV GOV is the channel with all of the local government meetings. This is channel 9 on Comcast and channels 13 and 613. The most updated rotation includes replays from the License Commission, Zoning Sub-Committee, Appointments Sub-Committee, Revere City Council, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Revere Board of Health. Watch RTV GOV for live meetings as well.

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Council calls for less invasive rat poison

By Adam Swift

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna is requesting that the city use a less invasive rodent poison when baiting for rats.

McKenna said data shows that the more potent poison currently being used affects the wildlife chain by killing off hawks, coyotes, owls, cats, and dogs. A less invasive poison would help protect wildlife and not cost more than what is currently being used, she added.

"This motion was brought up two years ago and passed by the council, but it doesn't seem like we are implementing a less in-

vasive poison," said McKenna. "I just spoke to the Belle Isle ranger, and (the ranger) said they are finding carcasses of not only owls, but cats. I know we have a problem with rats because we have a lot of construction going on ... but I don't know if people understand the trauma these animals go through when a rat eats this poison."

She said the poison dehydrates the rats over the course of several days, during which time owls and other predators might eat the rats and poison them.

"We really need to get on the bandwagon, because we abut a marsh that has a zillion animals

and they are all dying," said McKenna.

Council President Anthony Cogliandro said he supported McKenna's motion.

"We are having the exact same issue in the Immaculate Conception area," said Cogliandro. "I've been getting calls from Elm Street and Bixby Street where they are finding dead squirrels and dead birds, and even unfortunately there was a dog that ate a rat that was poisoned and the dog passed away. I couldn't agree more with doing what we need to do to get this issue solved."

'Million Dollar Quartet' is set to rock the stage at NSMT

Special to the Journal

Starting this September, Bill Hanney's award-winning North Shore Music Theatre (NSMT) will present the smash-hit sensation Million Dollar Quartet featuring the music of Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley. The jukebox musical will rock the NSMT stage from Tuesday, September 24, and play a two-week run thru Sunday, October 6, 2024.

"I am very excited to bring Million Dollar Quartet to our audiences at North Shore Music Theatre," said NSMT owner Bill Hanney. "After collaborating with him previously at Theatre By The Sea, I am excited to welcome director/choreographer Greg Santos to NSMT to helm this high voltage production. We have found an extraordinary cast of talented actor/musicians to bring to life this story of four music

legends coming together for a rock 'n' roll jam session that audiences will not soon forget."

Set on December 4, 1956, when a twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley together at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest jam sessions ever. Million Dollar Quartet brings that legendary December night to life with an irresistible tale of broken promises, secrets, betrayal, and celebrations that is both poignant and funny. Audiences will relive the era with an incredible score of rock 'n' roll, gospel, R&B, and country hits, performed live onstage by world-class actors and musicians. Showcased hit songs include "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "Walk the Line," "Sixteen Tons," "Who Do You Love?," "Great Balls of Fire," "Folsom Prison Blues," "Whole Lotta Shakin'

Goin' On," "Hound Dog," and more.

The Tony Award-nominated musical features a book by Colin Escott and Floyd Mutux based on an original concept by Floyd Mutux and inspired by Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins. Million Dollar Quartet is presented through special arrangement with Theatrical Rights Worldwide.

Million Dollar Quartet will star Noah Barnes as Elvis Presley, Blake Burgess as Johnny Cash, Brandon Fillette as Jerry Lee Lewis, and Sam Sherwood as Carl Perkins. Joining the quartet will be Joe Bentley (Brother Jay), Stephen Blauch (Fluke), Zach Cossman (Sam Phillips), and Hailie Lucille (Dyanne).

For tickets and information call (978) 232-7200, visit www.nsmt.org, or visit the box office in person at 54 Dunham Rd., Beverly, MA.

Fight // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ance for violence in our schools and are coordinating closely with our teams at Revere High School and Revere Police to ensure all parties involved are held accountable."

The disciplinary action for the students involved could include suspensions

or expulsion.

Jane Chapin, co-president of the Revere Teachers' Association told the local CBS News affiliate that the union is asking for more guidance counselors and social workers for the districts as well as a health and safety

team to be formed to help deal with incidents in the schools. RTA co-president Michelle Ervin stated that fights have become common at the school, although not to the level of what transpired last Thursday.

Parking // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The study looked at the existing parking system around Broadway and the supply and demand for parking spaces there.

Skwierawski said the Broadway parking study ties into the overall Broadway master plan being undertaken by the city.

At last week's meeting, the city council moved the parking study to a future meeting of the economic development subcommittee for a further discussion of its recommendations.

"If we want to think about Broadway in the future, we need to consider and understand how parking will fit into all of that," said Skwierawski.

Catrina Meyer of Stantec reviewed some of the data from the study.

Meyer said there are approximately 2,500 parking spaces in the Broadway region, which she said includes Broadway, as well as all the streets that intersect it. Those spaces break down fairly evenly between public and private parking spots.

Meyer noted that many of the off-street parking spaces are private, such as parking lots for businesses such as CVS.

mand for parking spaces showed that the heaviest demand is on weekdays during the early afternoon, especially in the area around city hall and Central Avenue, Meyer said.

"The overall takeaways from the very robust data collection is if you look at on-street meters only, you are never exceeding 50 percent utilized, there is always some availability across Broadway," said Meyer. "However, in the case of some of those areas closest to the most attractive destinations, they are a bit more full."

Looking at all the parking in the region, Meyer said the utilization never exceeds 57 percent when the off-street parking is added to the on-street parking availability.

While there is capacity for parking, Jason Schrieber of Stantec reiterated that there are ways the city can make parking work more efficiently on and around Broadway.

"One of the simplest things that can be done is already underway, which is a wayfinding plan to get people to know there are spaces in the Central Avenue and city hall lots," said Schrieber. That plan includes im-

proved signage to help people get to and exit from the parking spaces that are not directly on Broadway.

Schrieber said the city could also look at ways of maximizing its existing spaces in the city hall lot.

When it comes to the parking fees, Schrieber said the city could improve the flow of traffic and parking turnover if the rates were raised at high-volume parking areas along Broadway while lowered in lower-use areas such as the Central Avenue lot. He said the city could also consider installing parking meters along some of the sidestreets for a few spaces closest to Broadway.

The city could also work with the owners of some of the private parking lots along Broadway that are not typically fully occupied to provide some additional public parking spaces.

The study also includes recommendations for more effective loading and delivery zones along Broadway to help alleviate double parking.

"Nothing in the plan looks to create a parking structure or additional parking, we are just working with what we have," said Skwierawski.

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.

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, Choccolaffee, and Cow Hill Apiary. Artisan vendors featuring handcrafted jewelry, organic beauty products, and more will include Ikigai Organics, Souly Crafted, and Rex-WrapsJewelry.

For tickets and information call (978) 232-7200, visit www.nsmt.org, or visit the box office in person at 54 Dunham Rd., Beverly, MA.

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 avail-

able

• 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

CITY CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO HOST ANNUAL SHRED-IT EVENT ON SATURDAY

The City of Revere Consumer Affairs Office announces their annual Shred-It event, scheduled for Saturday, September 7, from 9:00am-12:00pm, in the City Hall Parking Lot (281 Broadway Rear). Revere residents will be provided with free shredding services, up to three banker boxes of documents, with proof of residency.

Nicholas Romano, Director of Revere 311 and Consumer Affairs, encourages residents to attend the event, "This is a great opportunity for residents to do some Fall cleaning, free of charge. The Shred-It event is a safe, confidential means of disposing of old documents that otherwise may be collecting dust."

The initiative is an element of the partnership between the City of Revere Consumer Affairs Office and the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office.

Revere City Council Upcoming Meeting Schedule Sept. 2024

- 1** Sept. 9, 2024 – 5:00PM Elder Affairs Committee Meeting
- 2** Sept. 9, 2024 at 5:30PM Legislative Affairs Committee Meeting
- 3** Sept. 9, 2024 at 6:00PM City Council Meeting
- 4** Sept. 23, 2024 at 6:00PM City Council Meeting

For informational purposes only. Meeting schedule is subject to change upon the call of the Chair. All meetings will be held in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA. Meeting agendas will be posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law on the City's website: www.revere.org/calendar.

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City of Revere
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Revere welcomes five new firefighters

Special to the Journal

State Fire Marshal Jon M. Davine and Massachusetts Firefighting Academy leadership announced the graduation of 34 firefighters from the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program including five from Revere.

"Massachusetts firefighters are on the frontlines protecting their communities every day, and today's graduates are needed now more than ever," said State Fire Marshal Davine. "The hundreds of hours of foundational training they've received will provide them with the physical, mental, and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely."

"Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructors draw on decades of

experience in the fire service to train new recruits," said Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Director Eric Littmann. "Through consistent classroom instruction and practical exercises, today's graduates have developed the tools they'll need to work seamlessly with veteran firefighters in their home departments and in neighboring communities as mutual aid."

The Richard N. Bangs Outstanding Student Award, which is presented to one recruit in each graduating career recruit training class, was presented to Firefighter Ian Wilder of the Fitchburg Fire Department. The award is named for the longtime chair of the Massachusetts Fire Training Council and reflects the recruit's academic and practical skills, testing, and

evaluations over the course of the 10-week program.

Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under non-fire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions. To graduate, students must demonstrate proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires. Upon successful completion of the Career Recruit Program, all students have met the national standards of NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, and are certified to the levels of Firefighter I/II and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations by the Massachusetts Fire



The latest slate of Revere firefighters from left to right, Anthony D'Ambrosio, Michael Banks, Nicholas Hartman, Anthony Sandoval and Garrett McMahon.

Training Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, recruits learn all these skills and more, including the latest science of fire behavior and suppression tactics, from certified fire

instructors. They also receive training in public fire education, hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, and self-rescue techniques. The intensive, 10-week program involves classroom instruction, physical fitness training, firefighter

skills training, and live firefighting practice.

The MFA provides recruit and in-service training for career, call, and volunteer firefighters at every level of experience, from recruit to chief officer, at campuses in Stow, Springfield, and Bridgewater.

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no one to blame but itself," he concluded.

Joshua Loveall, Tellier's co-counsel, introduced the city's three witnesses.

Michael Wells, the city's Inspectional Services Director (ISD), told the board that his department issued a 34-page Order to Correct Violations on December 21, 2022, which included the following problems: the need to replace the fire panel; the fire pump was not working; sprinkler heads were not working; there were holes in the sheetrock and at other places in the building; there was evidence of mold and a rodent infestation; and the trash chute was blocked.

"We also are dealing with the same issues at the building next door, owned by the same owners, which is vacant. We have been trying in vain to work with them, to get the building back up to code. All of these violations are in effect today. The property is unfit for human habitation," Wells concluded.

Deputy Fire Chief Paul Cheever reiterated and reinforced the issues brought to light by Wells. "I first informed the owners in 2017 that they needed to replace their fire alarm system," said Cheever, who said that the December, 2022, Order to Correct also made note of the "compromised conditions of the fire alarm system."

Cheever stated that there have been four fires in the building (of which two were in an adjacent parking garage where a homeless encampment has been set up) in recent months and the Revere F.D. has responded a total of 85 times to emergencies in the building, of which only 12 were for medical issues. He also noted that given the current condition of the water pump system, it is likely that water would reach no higher than the sixth floor in the event of an emergency.

"These violations are serious and are a threat to the health and safety of the occupants and the residents of the city," said Cheever.

Louis Cavagnaro, the city's Building Inspector, also testified to the many code violations and the owners' failure to remediate them, noting that many of the issues were similar to the twin building at 370 Ocean Ave. He alleged that contractors hired by the owner, who applied for a building permit in February, 2024, did not appear to be qualified for

the work to be done and were unaware of all of the serious problems at the building.

After the city presented its case, the lawyer representing the owner, David Frye, raised a number of procedural issues which, he asserted, mandate a dismissal of the city's condemnation proceedings. He noted that the city's condemnation proceeding is untimely because it was not brought within 45 days of the Order to Correct that was issued in December, 2022. Frye also said that none of the various reports and orders from city officials were signed under oath (and none of the witnesses at the hearing were sworn in) and suggested that the city's attorney, rather than an official from the Fire Dept., prepared the Fire Dept.'s report.

He also said that all of the financial issues raised by the city's counsel are irrelevant and that there is a receivership case in the Housing Court with a court date in September. Most significantly, Frye charged that "the failure by Water's Edge to pay the city for the admittedly outstanding invoices for the Fire Watch is the true motivating factor in the city's moving forward to condemn at this time."

Frye also noted that corrective work has been done to address the problems raised in the December, 2022, report. He said that the fire alarm system is functioning and that the city did not allow a permit to be issued to repair the fire pump. He also said that the mold issue has been addressed and there presently is no mold on the property.

"We do not want an immediate condemnation order to be issued because it will leave these tenants without a place to live," Frye said. "My client has a right to due process, as do the tenants and the lienholders. The city wants to rush forward on its December 21, 2022, order, but it has not produced any evidence of a follow-up report" that would inform the board of the present condition of the property.

Frye presented a witness from a fire protection company who told the board, "The fire detection system is in working order and transmits to the Revere Fire Dept.," and noted that similar systems in buildings throughout the city that are 40 years old have similar problems with their aging systems.

Another witness for the

owner told the board that he has been involved with the building since 2017 and that "134 certificates of fitness for occupancy were issued by the city's ISD" in that time period, which suggests that the problems cited in the Order to Correct do not make the building uninhabitable.

The board also heard from a number of tenants, many of whom have been there for many years. Atty. Andrew Berger, representing the tenants, said, "They are very concerned. They want a working fire alarm system, but they are concerned that a condemnation order will cause undue hardship."

The tenants then spoke, making oftentimes emotional pleas for the board to take into account their plight. One tenant, who has been there since 2016 and who places her young child in a nearby daycare center each day before she goes to work, told the board, "This will jeopardize my entire life. We need a reasonable time to move somewhere else. This is going to harm all of us."

Another tenant, who said she is expecting a child shortly, said she "feels sick that this is happening."

A third tenant, who previously lived at 370 Ocean Ave. and was removed from that building, cited a lack of communication from the city regarding the sudden move to condemn the building.

Another tenant, a senior citizen, gave an impassioned speech to the board and asked them not to condemn the building.

"The building has problems, but it should not be condemned," she said, noting that many of the problems have been fixed. "This will leave hundreds of people homeless. Make this right for us. We've done nothing wrong. If everyone is so concerned about us, why did you wait almost two years to take action on this report? I've never seen a rat in my apartment. What is being said is all lies. This is our home. I don't want more time! We want our home! Do things right by us! This has only come about only because the city has not been paid for the fire detail. Shame on all of you for putting us out in the street!"

Another resident asked the board members "to give some serious thought to this moment we're experiencing right now. The housing crisis is of an epic proportion. Rents in the

city of Revere are out of control and what we have right now is the only place we can afford. If you are going to move to condemn the building, take into account the many challenges we'll be facing and do so in a thoughtful way so we do it on our own terms. Don't make us join the many homeless people in this area. People who live in this building are working people. To move anywhere right now is \$15,000 with all of the fees. Do not put working people out on the streets."

The owner of a hair salon on the ground floor, who has operated his business there for 28 years, said he had received no notice of the condemnation. "If you do go the way of condemnation, maybe you work something out, one last try for them, and give us ample time. If not, I will be put out of business."

Another resident who has lived there for seven years with his wife, who has cancer, and who himself is a disabled vet who was a Marine for two tours in Vietnam, said, "I can only hope that you will give us some time. My poor wife cries every day. You're going to put a disabled vet on the street? Will you at least tell us tonight how much time we'll have before we have to move out?"

However, the board members themselves appeared uncertain as to what the process will be going forward and did not provide any clear answers to assure the tenants that they will have a new home or in what time frame.

When Bunker asked the city's counsel "to clarify the condemnation process," he was told that it would be "at the discretion of the Board of Health and the city" to determine when the tenants must vacate the building.

"The city is not going to turn its back on the tenants and there is a process to go through if there is a vote to condemn," said Lauren Buck, the city's Director of Public Health.

"It's up to us to work with the city," said Bunker. "This is very hard in so many ways. It doesn't feel right making a decision of this magnitude, but there are so many regulations and laws that we have to follow."

"I really feel for the tenants," said Catano. "You are the victims of the neglect of this property owner. You have been paying rent and not receiving a safe place to live. You

cannot be assured that the sprinkler system will work or that the fire pump will work. It seems that the landlord has been dragging their feet for seven years and I do not hear from their attorney that what has been done is enough to make you feel safe in your homes."

"I also have concerns with the violations and I worry about the health concerns, molds and health conditions," said Savage. "I'm assuming that a plan will be made."

"This has not happened suddenly," said Bunker. "No one should have to feel what you are feeling right now. But we have our duty to protect here at the Board of Health. This decision was never going to be easy. I think we should go ahead with the condemnation. I know what a fire can do to a person's health. I feel that based on all of the facts, a condemnation is the only way to make a change happen. I'm aware that we are affecting people's lives, but we absolutely will not be putting people out on the street. We will work to make sure this is done gracefully and with dignity and in a way that protects them."

"I agree," said Catano. "I don't see another way other than condemning the building. I'm very sorry to all of the tenants. There is a homeless encampment in one of your garages. You need a safe place to live. I hope we can work with the tenants to give them ample time to find housing."

"It sounds like the residents are not in a safe situation and I agree with the option," added Savage.

The members then voted unanimously to condemn the building.

Prior to the condemnation hearing, Buck presented the monthly communicable disease report. Buck said that there were 106 confirmed COVID cases in the city in August. "This was slightly higher than expected," said Buck. "This is just another reminder that we are coming up on flu and COVID season and everyone should plan on getting their flu and COVID shots."

Buck also noted that there was a suspected case of West Nile virus in the city and that the state has placed Revere in the "moderate risk" category for West Nile, which is transmitted to humans by mosquitoes.

Wells presented his monthly report, noting that his department performed 167 certificates of

fitness, 20 reinspections, 13 interior complaints, three interior complaint inspections, and four interior reinspections.

In the food division, there were 48 routine inspections, 10 reinspections, three complaint inspections, and one pre-opening inspection.

The exterior sanitation division issued 123 violations for accumulation of litter, trash, and debris, three for carts out at improper times, 49 for overflowing dumpsters, 483 for improper placement of garbage, trash, and improper bulky items, 46 for improper storage of garbage and trash, two for junk heaps, one for multiple unregistered vehicles, and 68 for unclean and unsanitary land, principally for overgrowth.

Mayor Patrick Keefe released the following statement regarding the condemnation:

The Board of Health took necessary action in condemning 364 Ocean Avenue, and I am grateful for the careful consideration they have given to this matter. After two years of attempts to work with this property owner to make the necessary improvements and ensure the safety of this building, it has become very clear that they have no intention to do so. Enough is enough.

The City of Revere will not allow negligent property owners to put the health and safety of Revere residents at risk. Waters Edge Limited Partnership has created an unimaginably difficult situation for their tenants, and displayed a total disregard for their wellbeing and dignity. In the absence of any cooperation from these property owners, the City will continue to work directly with residents to support them in finding safe housing.

The residents of 364 Ocean Avenue have asked for a thoughtful approach to this condemnation, and we will do just that, allowing for the proper time to support careful relocation. We will not turn our backs on these residents. Our team and advocates have been on the ground for the past month, working to provide the necessary assistance and resources to those affected.

The City of Revere will continue to staff the building with 24-hour fire personnel, regardless of the owner's unwillingness to cooperate with and pay for this City resource, as obligated under the law.

CITY OF REVERE, THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND SUDHI HOLD CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Cary Shuman Photos

In honor of Aug. 31 being International Overdose Awareness Day and September being Recovery Month, The City of

Revere, the Public Health Department, and SUDHI held a Candlelight Vigil Saturday at Overdose Memorial Park.

Mayor Patrick Keefe began his address by

thanking “CarrieAnn Salemme and her entire team for putting this [ceremony] together.”

“This is really special to see the amount of people here,” said Keefe. “We know that for many years our loved ones, our siblings, our friends, some that were lost, were lost alone. Their families didn’t know how to mourn. There was embarrassment. There was shame. They were afraid to share their tragedy and grief with each other. These young men or women, someone’s sister, brother, a child, sometimes died alone. And their families experienced that aloneness themselves, their isolation. And now we have these days where we’re able to remember some of our friends that we lost.”

“Just know that there is hope for all of us, there is hope for all of our families, there is hope for all of our loved ones, and there is hope for the people that are here with us today. And we won’t forget them,” concluded Keefe.

Mayor Keefe read a proclamation honoring International Overdose Awareness Day.

CarrieAnn Salemme of the Substance Abuse Disorder and Homeless Initiatives Office (SUDHI)



Substance Use and Homelessness Initiatives Manager CarrieAnn Salemme, Director of Public Health Lauren Buck, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Deputy Director of Public Health Department Paula Sepulveda, and Emergency Preparedness Manager Adrienne Sacco-Maguire.



Mayor Patrick Keefe and Councillor-at-Large, shown participating in the Candle Light Vigil.



Nicole Palermo, Lauren Ciccio, Mari Santos, and, CarrieAnn Salemme.



Councillor-at-Large Juan Jaramillo and his wife, Crystal Jaramillo, honoring the life of Crystal's cousin, Jose, at the Candle Light Vigil.



Lindsey Furey, Alexis McCaffrey, and McKenna Duggan.

delivered her heartfelt remarks.

“As we gather here tonight in the gentle glow of candlelight, we come together to honor the remarkable individuals who have been taken too soon,” said Salemme. “We would like to especially honor our friend and colleague, Chris Alba, whose dedication to our underserved population has touched countless lives.”

“Let tonight be a reminder that even in the face of profound loss, we have the power to create lasting change,” continued Salemme. “Let us continue to advocate for those who are in their most vulnerable state and support

them with compassion. Let us honor the memories of those who have lost by being the light they once were. As we stand together, let’s pledge to carry their legacy forward. May our action, our words, and our hearts reflect the same commitment to service that Chris embodied so fully. May we never forget the lives that have been lost. May we let them inspire us to work tirelessly to ensure no more lives are claimed to this epidemic.”



Mayor Patrick Keefe delivers the opening address at the Candle Light Vigil.



Representing the Revere Police Department at the Candle Light Vigil, Officer Peachey Chhom, Officer Stephen Ahern, Sgt. Joseph Internicola, and Capt. Amy O'Hara.



Mayor Patrick Keefe joins members of the family of the late Chris Alba for a moment of remembrance after the ceremony in recognition of Mr. Alba's outstanding contributions to the city. Mayor Keefe announced that a sign will be installed at the park in memory Mr. Alba.



Derek Burns and Theresa DiPietro, paying tribute to a loved one at the Candle Light Vigil ceremony.



CarrieAnn Salemme and Chuckie Patch.

Council looks to name memorial garden for former city outreach worker Chris Alba

By Adam Swift

Chris Alba was a champion for the city’s most vulnerable and in-need populations.

Alba was a beloved community outreach worker who died almost one year ago.

Now, the city council is supporting a request that the garden area where memorial bricks will be installed at Leach Park will be named the Chris Alba Remembrance Garden.

“I think Chris made a huge impact on this area,” said Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri, who worked closely with Alba when he headed the city’s veterans department.

“That park itself, he’s been called there 100 times to help homeless residents living in the park and staying in the park. It has been a huge loss with the loss of Chris, and I think this is a memorial remembrance garden, a small area of the park, that could be dedicated to him to remember the work he has put in.”

Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, who co-sponsored the motion along with Silvestri, said whenever she got a call from a resident about a homeless person camping at Leach Park, she would get in touch with Alba.

“I would always get a call from Chris telling me about the person,” said

McKenna. “Sometimes we don’t look at homeless people as people, but they all have stories and he would always tell me the story of the homeless person and what happened to them.”

McKenna also noted that the remembrance garden will be on the left hand side of Leach Park.

In other park-related news at last week’s council meeting, Councillor-at-Large Robert Hass, III requested that the mayor or ask the planning and community development department to assess an ideal location for a skate park.

“Chelsea put one in last year where they were

able to partner with Adidas and the New England Revolution for equipment for their skate park,” said Haas.

Haas noted that Revere did have a mini-skate park at the old Hill Park site in the 1990s that was popular with kids.

“A skate park provides an inexpensive outlet, it provides outdoor exercise, and a sense of community,” he said. “A skate park in Revere would also keep us in step with our neighboring communities like Malden ... Winthrop, East Boston, and now, our neighbor in Chelsea.”

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RED SOX AND PATS ARE TAKING THE FANS FOR GRANTED

For the third year in a row and fifth time in six years, the Red Sox appear doomed to fail to reach the playoffs, a stretch of futility that the Patriots promise to mimic almost precisely if they fall short of the playoffs for their third straight season and fourth time in five years.

Both of our beloved teams enjoyed unprecedented success through the first two decades of this century, with the Pats winning six Super Bowls and the Sox winning four World Series.

Thanks to that streak of success, both the Sox and the Pats rank among the most valuable sports franchises in the world, even amidst an exponential increase in the value of all pro sports teams worldwide.

Both the Sox and Pats enjoy an incredibly loyal fan base -- and the ownership knows it. They have calculated that the fans will continue to shell out large sums for the "experience" of being at Fenway and Gillette in person, even if it's to watch a mediocre (or worse) product.

When the current owners took over the Sox and the Pats more than 20 years ago, they vowed to reinvigorate what had been moribund franchises for decades -- and they delivered on those promises. For the ownerships of both teams however, the Pats and the Sox today constitute just a piece of their global sports enterprises.

Sad to say, it would appear that the owners of both the Sox and the Pats are content to sit on their past laurels. It would seem that they've grown weary of the pursuit of excellence -- with the result that for local sports fans, there's no longer any joy in Mudville on Sunday afternoons.

THE HOSTAGES ARE JUST PAWNS

The brutal deaths this past week of six innocent civilian hostages who were taken captive by the Hamas terrorists on October 7 has shone a bright light on a simple reality: The hostages are nothing but pawns, if even that, in the ongoing conflict between the Hamas and Israeli governments.

The execution-style murders of the hostages, who reportedly were shot in the head at close range, is shocking but not surprising. Hamas terrorists have the full backing and funding of the Iranian government whose sole, stated goal is to wipe the State of Israel off the map and to kill every Jew they can lay their hands on.

But the barbarity of Hamas and its Iranian masters is nothing new. These are regimes that treat their own people, especially women, with cruelty and inhumanity. Any hint of dissent is crushed with torture, sham trials, and executions.

As for the Israeli leaders, the sad and tragic deaths of the hostages this past week have made it clear that they are not interested in securing the hostages' release. The brutal war in Gaza, in which thousands of innocent civilians have been killed, has dragged on for 11 months with no end in sight. Negotiations to bring about a ceasefire in order for the remaining hostages to be freed have gone nowhere, with both Hamas and the Israeli government blaming the other for the lack of progress.

Whether one believes that the position being taken by the Israeli government is either morally or strategically defensible, the bottom line is that the Israeli government has not prioritized the plight of the hostages, which is painfully evident to the members of the hostages' families, who said in a statement this week, "For 11 months the Israeli government led by Netanyahu failed to do what a government is expected to do—return its sons and daughters home. A deal for the return of the hostages has been on the table for over two months. If it weren't for the thwarting of the deal, the excuses and the spins, the hostages whose deaths we learned of this morning would probably be alive."

All of us join with the family members of the six deceased hostages in mourning the deaths of their loved ones and sharing in their grief. Hopefully, their loss will spur all parties to come to an agreement that will bring the remaining hostages home.

But given the apparent intransigence and indifference of the Hamas and the Israeli leaders, we fear this will not be the last time that family members of the remaining hostages will endure further anguish.

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Human case of WNV confirmed in Revere

DPH to continue weekly mosquito spraying protocols, education to residents and vulnerable populations

Special to the Journal

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) announced today one confirmed human case of West Nile virus (WNV) in Revere, and one suspected case. This raises the risk level from moderate to high in Revere and surrounding communities, including Arlington, Belmont, Chelsea, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Revere, Saugus and Winthrop.

West Nile Virus tends to be transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito. Although serious illness caused by WNV is uncommon, there have been 131 cases of WNV in Massachusetts between 2014 and 2023. There were six human cases of WNV in 2023, eight human cases in 2022, and eleven human cases of WNV in 2021.

WNV is most commonly transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito. The mosqui-

toes that carry this virus are common throughout the state and are found in urban as well as more rural areas. While WNV can infect people of all ages, people over the age of 50 are at higher risk for severe infection.

By taking a few, common sense precautions, people can help to protect themselves and their loved ones:

Avoid Mosquito Bites

- Apply Insect Repellent when Outdoors. Use a repellent with an EPA-registered ingredient, such as DEET (N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide), permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), or oil of lemon eucalyptus (p-menthane-3,8-diol (PMD) or IR3535) according to the instructions on the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under two months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30 percent or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under three years of age.

- Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours. The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for

many mosquitoes. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning in areas of high risk.

- Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites. Wearing long sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors will help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home

- Drain Standing Water. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty unused flowerpots and wading pools and change the water in birdbaths frequently.
- Install or Repair Screens. Keep mosquitoes outside by having tightly fitting screens on all windows and doors.

Protect Your Animals

- Animal owners should reduce potential mosquito breeding sites on their property by eliminating standing water from containers such as buckets, tires, and wading pools -- especially after heavy

rains. Water troughs provide excellent mosquito breeding habitats and should be flushed out at least once a week during the summer months to reduce mosquitoes near paddock areas. Horse owners should keep horses in indoor stalls at night to reduce their risk of exposure to mosquitoes. Owners should also speak with their veterinarian about mosquito repellents approved for use in animals and vaccinations to prevent West Nile virus (WNV) and EEE. If an animal is suspected of having WNV or EEE, owners are required to report to the Department of Agricultural Resources, Division of Animal Health by calling 617-626-1795, and to the Department of Public Health by calling 617-983-6800.

While the City of Revere Department of Public Health continues to work closely with the MDPH and other agencies, local protocols are still in place, including weekly mosquito spraying. Lauren Buck, Chief of Department of Public Health, commented, "In addition to regular

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da K. Starr comes to the stage to sing her many top hits such as "I Still Believe", "What You See is What You Get", "Breakfast in Bed". In addition, MC Freddie B and Club Classic DJ Ricky (former STAR FM) will keep the night going and make sure everyone is dancing in the streets!

On Saturday, the festivities begin at 1:00pm as the savory aromas of pizza, fried dough, Italian sausages, peppers, zeppoles, and much more permeate the air around Cambridge, Porter, and Warren Streets, along with continuous entertainment, including Dom Catino's Sounds of Sinatra show and New England's internationally acclaimed vocal duo, P2.

The grand finale of the Feast on Sunday begins at 10:30am with an outdoor Mass in honor of the Healing Saints Cosmas and Damian on the Warren Street Stage. At 1:30pm the grand procession with the Saints, accompanied by the North End Marching Band, Northeast Marching Band, winds through the streets of East Cambridge and Somerville as it has for nearly 100 years. Don't miss this highlight!

Local favorites Stephen Savio and Seabreeze as well as Smokin' Joe and his band entertain throughout the day as the food and fun flow through the streets. The parade arrives back on Warren Street at 7:00pm for a welcome back confetti celebration followed by a performance by the founding lead singer LaLa Brooks of the Crystals singing their huge hits from the 60's and 70's "Da Doo Ron Ron", "Then He Kissed Me", "Be My Baby" and more! Brooks was also the star of the Original Broadway Musical "Hair". In addition, parking is available in Twin City Plaza next

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to the feast all weekend. Come have a bite to eat, go on a ride, play a game, and enjoy all of our great free entertainment. See you at the Feast! For Feast and vendor information, call (617) 407-1256 or visit www.cosmas-and-damian.org.

GOV. HEALEY PROCLAIMS SEPT. AS 'EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH'

Gov. Maura Healey has declared September 2024 as Emergency Preparedness Month to highlight the importance of emergency preparedness and to encourage planning for disasters and other types of emergencies.

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH), and other state, local, and nonprofit agencies will promote preparedness through various public outreach efforts throughout the month. These efforts are part of a month-long national campaign themed "This is why I prepare." The goal is to personalize the reasons why local leaders and officials prepare for emergencies while encouraging others to do the same.

"Lieutenant Governor Driscoll and I have visited communities across Massachusetts impacted by the devastating effects of severe flooding and other significant weather events. We know that emergency readiness is essential to our collective ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from hazards and threats," said Governor Healey. "After the floods experienced by Massachusetts communities in 2023, I proposed and the Legislature enacted Massachusetts' first Disaster Relief

and Resilience Fund to increase support for municipalities and strengthen resiliency statewide. During preparedness month, I encourage all residents to assess their readiness and rely on the many resources available to prepare for the unexpected."

"The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, Department of Public Health, and other public safety agencies collaborate closely with Massachusetts communities and across all levels of federal, state, and local government to increase our readiness amid evolving threats to our landscape," said Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll. "Emergency Preparedness Month provides an opportunity to build upon our strong partnerships and continue the important work of preparing for the unexpected."

"Preparedness is vital to recovery and resilience. Emergency Preparedness Month reminds us about the importance of taking proactive steps to protect loved ones and reduce the

impacts of an emergency or disaster," said Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy. "I'm grateful to MEMA and our many public health and safety partners for their dedication to enhancing statewide readiness and providing Massachusetts residents with essential preparedness planning resources."

Throughout September, MEMA and DPH will share information on their social media accounts about emergency preparedness topics, including emergency planning, building an emergency kit, preparing for disasters, youth preparedness, ways to get involved in community preparedness, and more.

Visit Mass.gov/ready to find emergency preparedness tips available in several different languages, safety tips for specific threats and hazards, preparedness resources from the MEMA, DPH, and the Massachusetts Office on Disability, and other information.

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FRIENDS OF THE MARY ELLEN WELCH GREENWAY SALUTES END OF SUMMER WITH WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT

Courtesy Photos

The Friends of the Mary Ellen Welch Greenway presented an incredible evening of world class entertainment with renowned accordion player Cory Pesaturo featuring Eastie's own Sonja Tengblad on August 30, 2024 at Bremen Street Park Amphitheater.

Smooth360, a trio of accomplished musicians including East Boston resident Dennis Sullivan, Toronto's Angelo Traikos and Boston's Bob Enik, opened up for Cory and Sonja with saxophonist Tucker Antell of Westford accompanying Cory on various arrangements.

Sonja performed beautiful arias and tunes to the large crowd in attendance, while Cory played various songs from jazz to pop. It was an incredible night.

At the age of nine Cory was playing accordion, piano, clarinet, and saxophone, and quickly became the youngest winner of the National Accordion Championship.

He has won championships playing on borrowed accordions - unheard of in accordion championships, and he broke the Guinness World Record for the longest continuous playing



Accordion Player Cory Pesaturo.

of the accordion. Among his many distinctions, he's the only world champion

of jazz on accordion, and he's one of only four people to win championships on both acoustic and electronic accordions.

The Friends of the Mary Ellen Welch Greenway has a few more events planned for the Fall. Please check our Facebook and Instagram pages and our website at www.maryellenwelchgreenway.org

Thank you to Agnieszka Rytch-Foster photography



Roberto Gomez and Valinda Chan enjoying the music.

REVERE Through the Years

10 years ago September 2, 2014

The State Primary Election is set for this Tuesday, September 9.

This past weekend, after more than a year of planning and fund-raising, the Point of Pines Y.C. celebrated the 100th anniversary of its founding, which occurred on Aug. 28, 1914. Eileen Horgan chaired the 100th Anniversary Committee.

Linda Wolowicz's long-time career working with young children started as a simple drama presentation for a Girl Scout fund-raiser. Now, 38 years later, she is teaching the children of the first children she worked with in her long-time after school business, Kids Curtain Call (KCC) Stage Productions, which serves children in Revere, Winthrop, Chelsea, and Everett.

20 years ago September 8, 2004

Our Lady of Lourdes parish held its final Sunday Mass last week, marking the last service before the parish closes per order of the Boston Archdiocese.

A recent report states that Revere boasts one of the top urban school sys-

tems in the state. It was just a year ago that a Boston newspaper published a real estate article suggesting that the city's schools were the weakest link among the city's assets. However, steady progress on the MCAS scores have boosted the city's schools into the top tier of urban school districts.

The automobile of a missing 26 year-old Malden woman was found burning in the Revere Bally's parking lot at 12:30 a.m. last Wednesday morning. The woman's driver's license was found on Revere Beach a few days later. The woman was last seen leaving her place of employment on Congress St. in Boston the day she disappeared.

People around the world are mourning the hundreds of Russian schoolchildren who died in a terrorist attack by Chechen terrorists last week.

40 years ago September 5, 1984

The growing animosity between four members of the School Committee and School Supt. William J. Hill was evident in the shouting match between Hill and School Board members Hal Ford Abrams

and Mayor George V. Colella that took place at a meeting at the high school regarding the administering of the lost schoolbook fund. Abrams and Hill recently have filed lawsuits against each other on other matters.

The School Committee defeated by a 4-3 vote a motion by member George Caporale Jr. to appropriate \$125,000 in anticipated state funds to purchase computers for all of the junior high schools in the city. Caporale made his motion after he learned that 15 computers were being bought for the Whelan School, but none for the city's other junior highs. The committee instead adopted a motion by member Hal Ford Abrams asking each school principal to assess his school's own computer needs.

The Broadway Gift Shoppe, 398 Broadway, owned by Judith and Larry Dunn, will hold its grand opening next week.

Al's Heaven captured the 50th annual Wonderland Derby Saturday Night that featured a total prize stakes of \$165,000. The champion greyhound earned \$50,000 for its

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Mosquitoes //

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protocols, it's important that we continue to educate our residents, especially our vulnerable populations, on safe practices to avoid infection. Members of the Department of

Public Health have been conducting ongoing outreach and will continue to do so until mosquito season has ended."

Information about WNV and reports of cur-

rent and historical WNV virus activity in Massachusetts can be found on the MDPH website at www.mass.gov/dph/mosquito.

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OBITUARIES

Angelo Sozio

Of Wakefield, formerly of Revere



Angelo "Chuck" Sozio, (98) of Wakefield formerly of Revere passed away on August 31, 2024, at home surrounded by his loving family. Born in East Boston on August 5, 1926, to the late Luigi and Micheli-na (Imperato).



Chuck's journey was a testament of hard work and resilience. His entrepreneurial spirit led him to establish Sozio Appliances in 1949, which grew into one of the most iconic small businesses in the North Shore area. Chuck's success in the appliance business was evident early on; he was the sole authorized servicing dealer for Frigidaire in the North Shore area within a few years of starting his business. The business flourished for over 70 years under Chuck's leadership. His dedication was not limited to his professional life; Chuck served his country in the United States Marine Corps (USMC) during World War II. Chuck was stationed in the Pacific theater, participated in the Battle of Midway, and did so with tremendous pride and patriotism. His upbeat and positive approach to life was infectious, inspiring those around him to embrace life's challenges with courage and optimism.

brother of Irene Giuffrida and her late husband Frank of Lynnfield, Mary A. Kelly of Revere, and the late Anthony Sozio. Caring uncle to Santina Primavera of Lynnfield, Gina Noto of Lynnfield, Lorraine Hagen and her husband Christopher of Danvers, and the late Anthony Sozio.

Funeral from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons Funeral Home 128 Revere St, Revere on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 10:00am. Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Revere at 11:00am. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A Visitation will be held on Monday from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the funeral home. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, 909 N Washington Street, Suite 400, Alexandria, VA 22314 or at www.mcsf.org.

In honoring Angelo Sozio's life, we invite you to share your memories, anecdotes, and photographs on his memorial page. Your contributions will serve as a testament to Chuck's remarkable life and the indelible impact he had on those around him. His story is not just in the life he led but also in the lives he touched. Let us remember and celebrate Angelo Sozio, a true embodiment of ambition, dedication, and generosity at www.buonfiglio.com.

Carmela (Ferraro) Mercier

Of Beachmont, formerly of Italy

Mrs. Carmela (Ferraro) Mercier, age 95, died on Wednesday, August 28th at the North Shore Medical Center in Salem. She was the wife of the late Raffaele Carpinelli and Robert Mercier.



Carmela was born in Marina di Gioiosa Ionica, Calabria Italy and has been a resident of Beachmont since 1954. She was the daughter of the late Natale and Maria (Sainato) Ferraro. Carmela was a member of the Revere Senior Center where she enjoyed playing Bocce. She was also an avid bowler. Carmela was a longtime faithful parishioner of both our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Immaculate Conception Church in Revere. She also helped in the planting and maintaining of the grounds of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Carmela worked for the Marriott for 22 years as a banquet waitress as well as Servomation for 15 years.

Carmela's passion was gardening. She kept a meticulous garden and was skilled at growing delicious vegetables and herbs and would grow the most beautiful flowers.

Carmela was the epitome of a perfect wife, mother and friend. She cherished all of her relationships. She once told us that the greatest joy in her life was becoming a mother. She made sure all family members understood the value of family. She stressed the importance of maintaining a close and loving relationship with each other should take precedence over anything. Carmela was genuine, she always put others before herself. Whatever she did for anyone, be it family or friend, came from the heart.

"Nanna" as she was lovingly called by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren was still cooking dinners for family even at

the age of 95.

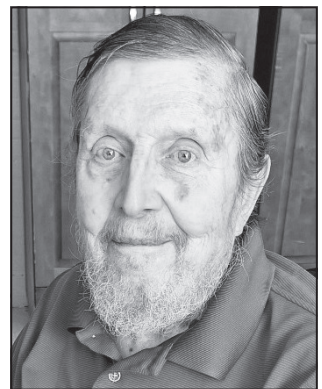
Carmela is survived by her daughter, Rosemary Jacobs and her husband Don of Saugus and Ossipee NH; her two sons, Ralph Carpinelli and his wife Carla of Peabody, and James Carpinelli and his wife Cecelia of Saugus; seven grandchildren, Joseph Ferraro, Marina Tucker and her husband Paul, Ralph Carpinelli, Anthony Carpinelli and his wife Alexa, Domenic Carpinelli, James Carpinelli and Jennifer Carpinelli; seven great grandchildren, Natale, Alexa and Maria Ferraro, Kylie and PJ Tucker, Leilani and Anthony Carpinelli; her step-children, Guy Mercier and Lea Simard and their families; as well as many nieces and nephews throughout the world. She was predeceased by her granddaughter Melissa Ferraro and eight brothers and sisters, Rosina, Salvatore, Giuseppe, Elisabetta, Francesco, Caterina, Rocco and Immacolata. She is survived by sister-in-law Elisabetta from Canada.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours in the Bisbee-Porcella Funeral Home, 549 Lincoln Ave., SAUGUS on Wednesday (09/04/2024) from 4 - 7 p.m. A funeral will be held from the funeral home on Thursday (09/05/2024) at 8:45 a.m. followed by a funeral mass at Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10:00 a.m. Interment in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. For directions & condolences www.Bisbee-Porcella.com.

Edward Snow

A remarkable man

The remarkable Edward Donald Snow, accomplished architect, unofficial historian, Winthrop enthusiast, avid reader, and memorable storyteller, passed away suddenly on Thursday, August 22, 2024, just three months shy of his 89th birthday. Born November 15, 1935, in Boston, Massachusetts, and a native of Winthrop, Edward was the only child of Donald Burnham Snow and Eunice Toothaker. Raised



in the house at 59 Cottage Avenue, Edward was able to spend a lot of time with his three uncles (Nicholas Hopkins Snow, Winthrop James Snow, Edward Rowe Snow), and other family members. I always thought that Edward looked just like his uncle Edward Rowe Snow, an American writer and historian who authored around 100 books. Edward Rowe Snow was also known for carrying on the tradition of the "Flying Santa"; for over forty years (1936-1980). Edward's lineage traces back to the first settlers in Plymouth, Massachusetts (Nicholas and Constance Hopkins Snow). Edward Donald Snow, always known to be intelligent and funny, attended and graduated from Winthrop Senior High School (1949 - 1953) and went on to study architecture at Boston Architectural College (1962 - 1967), becoming a well-known architect eventually starting his own business, Edward D

Snow Architecture Service in Winthrop. Always sharing the histories of buildings and architecture in and around the Boston Winthrop area, with those that were curious and with others that were not, as was most often the case. Edward had an amazing memory recall, providing many details for structures he designed, stories about business colleagues, and conversations with people he knew, and he was always sharing his thoughts and remembrances with friends and family members. Even after retirement, Edward kept up with architectural trends by immersing himself in online architectural news and journals, and also by reading "many" "many" "many" "many" and I mean "many"...magazines like Architectural Record. As hard as it may seem, Edward found something he loved more than architecture when he met and married the love of his

life, Mrs. Judith J. Packard, at St. Barnabas Episcopalian Church, East Middlebury, Vermont on July 25, 1964. Amazingly, their first meeting wasn't love at first sight as she

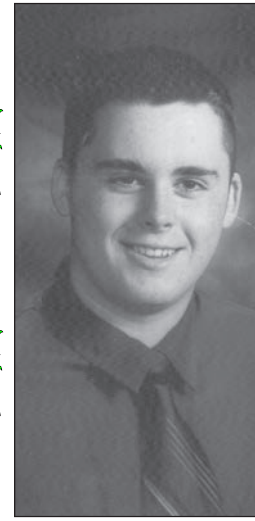
slammed the front door in his face (Edward and Judith told me this story many times and laughed about it), but I am happy to tell you that they just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. The best way that I could describe it is that the architect and teacher were meant to be together as best friends and soulmates. This union gave them two beautiful daughters: Sophia Snow and Hester Elizabeth Snow (May 26, 1969, Boston, Massachusetts - June 14, 2001, London, England). Hester was taken too young and missed every day since. Edward and Judith leaned on each other during this difficult time as their love was tested by trials and tribulations; somehow always finding strength and comfort within each other. Over the years, Edward and Judith lived in many places around Boston, but they always came

back to 59 Cottage Avenue; this is the last place they lived together. In March 2022, the house was condemned by the city, sold at auction, their worldly possessions were lost, and they were robbed of memories by Judith's dementia, but Edward and Judith kept the most precious thing of all, which was their love for each other. When you think of Edward Donald Snow, remember two things; 1. Edward loved with his whole heart, laughed and smiled when telling stories because this brought him great joy. 2. The love that Edward and Judith shared was remarkable like him, never wavering and always at the forefront. There will be a remembrance gathering on 4 September 2024 from 5-7 pm at Buonfiglio Funeral Home in Revere, Massachusetts. Please join us to celebrate the life of Edward Donald Snow as he was truly a special person.

A Birthday Remembrance

EDWARD SHAUGHNESSY JR.

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Although you would be
39 years old today.
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Forever Loved
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Sept. 5, 2017 - Sept. 5, 2024

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Stephen passed away suddenly on Sept. 5, 2017, at the age of 42 from cardiac arrest.

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We will never forget you Stephen.

**We Love + Miss You
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+ Auntie Mal**



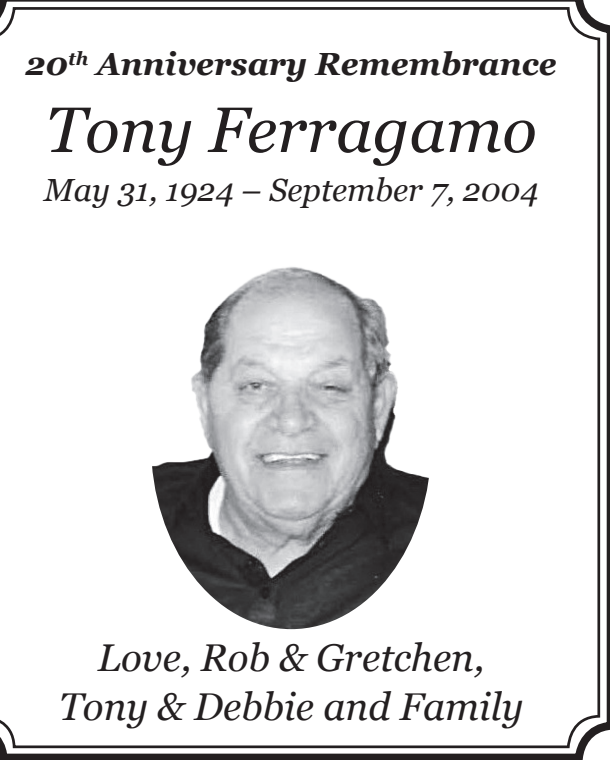
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CITY PAWS

Meeting new neighbors

by Penny & Ed Cherubino

September is a month for meeting new neighbors. Nationwide, most moves happen in the summer months. For some, it's from a desire to settle in before the new school year begins. In Greater Boston, thousands of undergraduates, graduate students, faculty, and educational support staff descend on the area with a crush of September 1st move-in dates.

Some of you will meet new people and dogs who have moved into your building, block, or neighborhood. Others will be learning their way around a new home and may appreciate a friendly welcome. In either case, having a dog beside you will increase your opportunities to meet new neighbors.

How to Introduce Dogs

It's always best to introduce dogs in neutral territory. We recommend not sharing close quarters with a new dog. Your dog may consider the hallways and elevators in your building part of its domain, while the new dog may still need to learn its elevator and common area manners.

One of the best suggestions we read was to think about how your dog reacts to other dogs on routine walks. Reactions may range from barking and growling to total indifference.

Most of your introductions to new dogs will happen serendipitously while you are out and about. You must be alert for a reactive dog's sounds and body language as it approaches you. If your dog is reactive, put a hand up as a stop sign when a strange dog approaches and tell the person with the dog that your pup needs a little extra space.

We've had foster dogs who were afraid of their own shadows, scared of men, highly protective of Penny, and others who were friendly with everyone. These pups were also trying to adjust to a new

home, new guardians, and new territory. For this reason, we try to be very understanding when approaching a new dog. After asking if we can say hello to the dog, we don't touch but instead offer the back of our hands for the dog to sniff.

Make a Date to Introduce Dogs

Occasionally, you'll want to introduce your dog to a specific friend or neighbor's dog. Dogtopia.com suggests you make this like meeting someone new for coffee rather than a dinner date. With a secure 4-6 foot leash (no retractable leashes for this task), pace a routine walk behind the dog you plan to introduce and slowly catch up. Walk a little together with the humans between the dogs to judge how the dogs are reacting before deciding to move closer.

If necessary, try again on another day. Just like people, some dogs make quick friendships, while others take time to relax together. Some dogs favor one breed over another or are afraid of certain dogs.

Check Before Introducing

We'll let the American Kennel Club add a final word on introductions. "Just because you're saying hello to your neighbors doesn't mean your dog has to. If you have a very social pet who loves people and greets them appropriately, you may want them to say hello. But first, check to see if your neighbors like dogs and want to greet your pup. Some people are nervous or afraid of canines, while others are allergic or would just prefer to keep their distance. It's important to respect your neighbors' boundaries and comfort levels. Similarly, not all dogs are going to be comfortable meeting strangers."

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

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.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

0017: Noise disturbance on Nahant Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

0158: Larceny on Everett St. The officer spoke to the party.

0706: An officer ordered a tow & hold for a motor vehicle on Proctor Ave.

0710: A breaking & entering into a motor vehicle was reported on Bellingham Ave.

0738: Lost/found property on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

1000: Vandalism on Proctor Ave. The officer filed a report.

1106: Larceny on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

1116: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1143: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1157: Parking complaint on Page St. The officer provided assistance.

1255: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer spoke to the party.

1256: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on the Revere Beach Parkway and restored the peace.

1417: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer filed a report.

1423: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

1427: Lost/found property on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1505: A caller reported a hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Broadway.

1515: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Atlantic Ave.

1538: Disabled motor vehicle on American Legion Highway. The officer provided assistance.

1640: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Ocean Ave.

1641: Motor vehicle accident at Copeland Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1700: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Malden St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1744: Motor vehicle accident on No. Shore Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1746: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Broadway.

1746: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Pearl Ave.

1827: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1834: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on the Revere Beach Parkway.

The officer filed a report.

1941: Shoplifting on VFW Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

2023: Breaking & entering into a motor vehicle on Bellingham Ave. The officer filed a report.

2036: A motor vehicle accident was reported at Brown Circle.

2043: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

2107: Motor vehicle accident at Malden and Conant Sts. The officer issued a citation to a 30 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage.

2143: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Revere Beach Blvd.

2313: Noise disturbance on Thornton St. The officer spoke to the party.

2358: Noise disturbance at Oakwood Ave. and Moretti St. The officer spoke to the party.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

0437: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Ward St.

0438: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Ward St.

0754: A person reported a motor vehicle accident with property damage on Campbell Ave.

0828: A person reported threats on Squire Rd.

0842: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

0852: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle.

0901: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Park Ave. An officer issued a citation to a 54 year-old East Boston man for the criminal offenses of leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle. He also was cited for failing to file an accident report.

1044: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Beach St. for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1048: Lost/found animal at Rice and Fowler Aves. The animal was returned to its owner.

1124: An officer provided assistance to another

agency on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1133: An officer stopped a motor vehicle on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil moving infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1148: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a motor vehicle on Broadway.

1257: A person reported a hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with property damage on Ward St.

1302: Shoplifting on VFW Parkway. An officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 33 year-old West Bridgewater man for the criminal offenses of shoplifting by concealing merchandise with a value greater than \$250 and two counts of shoplifting by asportation of property with a value greater than \$250.

1335: A lost animal was found and returned to its owner on American Legion Highway.

1403: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Mill St. and No. Shore Rd. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1415: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Garfield Ave.

1439: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer provided assistance.

1521: Shoplifting on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

1551: Larceny on VFW Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1603: An officer stopped a motor vehicle at Keayne and Malden Sts. for a civil motor vehicle infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1612: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Lee Burbank Highway.

1624: Motor vehicle accident on American Legion Highway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

ARRESTS REPORTED BY THE REVERE POLICE FROM AUG. 16-25

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 16-August 25. 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 17

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

An officer responded to a report of an unwanted person on Beach St. and arrested Mercy Chou Achuo, 32, of 65 Winthrop Ave., for the criminal offense of trespassing.

Officers responded to a report of a disturbance on VFW Parkway and arrested a 32 year-old Winthrop man on an outstanding warrant.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

A 46 year-old Revere man came into the station and turned himself in on three outstanding warrants.

An officer stopped a motor vehicle on Carleton St. for the civil moving infraction of failing to signal and arrested the operator, Ismael Hernandez, 54, of Chelsea, for the criminal offenses of illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance with intent to distribute and possession of a knife in violation of the city ordinance. He also was cited for the civil motor vehicle infraction.

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Contreras, Danilo E	Zepaj Development LLC	30 Sewall St	\$880,000
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Montoya, Guillermo	41 Hall Street Rt	41 Hall St	\$740,000
Nicholson, Brennon	Tusa, Anthony	51 Agawam St #2	\$555,000
Rodriguez-Lopera, John M	Munoz, Natacha	55 Campbell Ave	\$845,000
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SCHOOL DRESS CODE CLOTHING EXCHANGE AND BACKPACK DONATION FOR REVERE STUDENTS

Courtesy Photos

On Thursday, August 29, hundreds of Revere



A volunteer from El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts helps distribute school uniforms to RPS students.

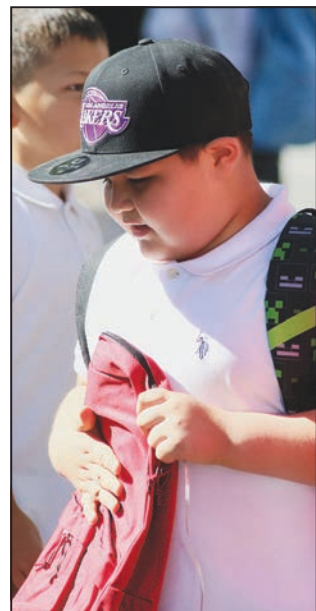


Mayor Patrick Keefe was on hand to help with the distribution of uniforms and backpacks.

Public School students and families turned out at the Mobile Market in Sandler Square for a school dress code clothing exchange and backpack donation event for RPS students.

Through a partnership with the City of Revere, El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts, Inc., Amazon, and the Revere Arabic Community, RPS was able to distribute donated school uniforms and hundreds of backpacks to students as the new school year gets underway.

Mayor Patrick Keefe, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Danielle Mokaba-Bernardo, Assistant Super-



An RPS student checks out the new backpack he received courtesy of the City of Revere, El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts, Inc., Amazon, Revere Arabic Community, and RPS.

intendent Dr. Lourenço Garcia, as well as School Committee members John Kingston and Anthony

Caggiano were all on hand to help distribute the clothing and backpacks.



A RPS family checks out the school uniform options during last week's event.



Assistant Superintendent Dr. Lourenço Garcia (center) poses with members of El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts.



School Committee member John Kingston (right) helps distribute backpacks.



El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts President/Founder Liana Liana Jorge Matute (in red) helps a RPS family pick out new school uniforms.



RPS students are excited to receive new backpacks.

ZBA rejects request for parking variance at 810 Washington Ave.

By Journal Staff

The Revere Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday evening, August 28, in the City Councillor Joseph A. DeGrosso City Council Chamber. Chair Michael Tucker and fellow members Aklog Limeneh, John Lopes, James O'Brien, Arthur Pelton, and alternate member Peggy Pratt were on hand for the session.

The most-contentious hearing of the evening pertained to an application from Daniel Sibor, 810 Washington Avenue, who was requesting "a variance of Revere Revised Ordinances (RRO) Section 17.28.020 with respect to minimum parking requirements for apartment use in the General Business (GB) District to enable the appellant to construct a 30-unit residential apartment building with 26 parking spaces at 810 Washington Avenue."

Lou Markakis, a real estate agent in Lynn, told the board that the building, which will have 15 studio units and 15 one-bed-

room units, is 70 percent complete with a planned ribbon-cutting in January. He said that four years ago the ZBA gave zoning relief to the previous owner because of the irregular shape of the property, which formerly was a bakery.

He said that seven MBTA bus lines operate within walking distance of the building. He further noted that there were 36 parking spaces in the original plan, of which 10 spaces were "stacked".

However, Markakis said that the new request for a reduction in parking to 26 spaces, all at grade, will allow for a better design of the building. Markakis also noted that fewer than 50% of the potential tenants have requested information about parking. He further said that a stacked, mechanical parking system is not safe.

Atty. Sam Vitale of Lynn also spoke in favor of the application, noting that stacked parking of the sort sought in the original application is not safe, both for those who use the system and for public

safety personnel because of the potential for a fire in an electric vehicle.

City Councillor Anthony Zambuto spoke in favor of the application and likewise stated that stacked parking is not safe and that the City Council is considering banning stacked parking in residential buildings.

Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya also spoke in favor of the application and against the stacked parking. She noted her recent personal experience with stacked parking at a Boston hospital in which her vehicle got stuck and it took an hour before a mechanic could come to fix the problem.

Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky spoke in favor of the application to eliminate the need for stacked parking and noted that he too, had a bad experience with stacked parking at a Boston hospital in which his vehicle became stuck.

However, former Ward 6 Councillor Richard Serino spoke against the application, noting that parking will be an issue on Washington Ave. if the variance is granted.

City Councillor Michelle Kelley also raised issues about parking congestion in the neighborhood. She said she re-

cently met with residents of Sherman St. who expressed concerns that even though the vehicles of the tenants at 810 Washington Ave. will not be eligible for residential parking stickers, they still fear that their street will be subject to overflow parking from the building. She also said that though she is opposed to stackers in principle, the developer should be held to the terms of his original application.

ZBA member Lopes, the lone member of the board to speak on the issue, said he recently had a bad experience with stacked parking in New York City. He also agreed that most potential tenants for the building will not own vehicles and thus will not exacerbate parking problems in the area.

However, the board rejected the request for a variance. Although a 3-2 majority voted in favor of granting the variance, with Lopes, Pelton, and O'Brien in favor and Tucker and Limeneh opposed, since a super-majority (two-thirds) of the board is needed for approval, the measure failed.

The board heard an application from Martin Carbo, 263 Oakwood Avenue, "requesting a variance of RRO Section

17.16.260(F)(1) minimum side yard setback for accessory structures to enable the appellant to construct a gazebo (15.8' x 19.1') at 263 Oakwood Avenue."

Mr. Carbo told the members, "I'm just trying to make my house more enjoyable for the summer months. It's just very tight in the back."

A neighbor of Mr. Carbo, Carmen DiRuzza of 266 Oakwood Ave., spoke in favor of the application. "Mr. Carbo is an awesome neighbor and he keeps his property meticulously," DiRuzza said. "We have a nice neighborhood and I can see this gazebo from across the street and it is aesthetically [pleasing]."

Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro sent in an email supporting the project. The board unanimously approved issuing the variance.

Marcia Lucenta, 630 Revere Beach Blvd., came before the board to request "variances of RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum side yard setback requirement of 10 feet within the RA District, and RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to maximum principal building coverage requirement of 30% within the RA District to enable the appellant to construct a two-car garage and a handicap accessible entry way at 630 Revere Beach Blvd."

Ms. Lucenta appeared on her own behalf. She explained that an existing porch needs to be widened to accept a wheelchair where a ramp will be installed. There were no opponents, but Ward 5 Councillor Guarino-Sawaya-Guarino requested that a six-foot high fence be constructed along the property line with a neighbor, a condition to which Ms. Lucenta agreed. The board unanimously approved granting the variances.

Flow Design Architects, 50 Grove Street, Salem, requested "a variance

of RRO Section 17.24.010 maximum requirement of 2 & 1/2 stories within the RB District to enable the appellant to construct a third level to increase livable square footage in an existing two-family home at 73 Amelia Place."

Darguin Fortuna, a representative from Flow Design, appeared on behalf of the homeowner. "Additional bedrooms and a bath are needed by the homeowner for her family," Fortuna said. "Other buildings in the neighborhood have a similar look and feel."

City councillors Chris Giannino and Cogliandro sent in letters in support of the application. There were no opponents and the board unanimously approved issuing the variance.

The members unanimously rejected an application that was continued from the July meeting from Philip J. Consolo, 169 Rice Avenue, who was "requesting a special permit pursuant to Revere Revised Ordinances (RRO) Section 17.40.040 to enable the appellant to improve a preexisting, nonconforming single-family structure by renovating the first floor and adding a second floor to the rear structure located at 169 Rice Avenue."

Rick Salvo from Engineering Alliance spoke on behalf of the applicant and asked for another continuance. However, Councillor Guarino-Sawaya spoke against the application.

"The structure has not been used in many years and has not been lived in for at least 30 years that I've lived in Pt. of Pines," she said. "The neighbors are against it and I can't support it."

The ZBA members unanimously voted to deny the application, noting that the use of the property is a non-conforming use that has been abandoned for two years and that no plans had been submitted with the application.




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Sports

Revere High football team hosts Whittier in opener

By Cary Shuman

The Revere High football team will kick off its 2024 season Friday (6 p.m.) on what will be a

special night for the program. At halftime, the undefeated 1964 RHS team will be honored (see related story).

Revere High head coach

Lou Cicatelli expects a large crowd to be on hand as his team hosts Whittier Tech at Harry Della Russo Stadium.

"It's going to be a good,

hard-fought game," said Cicatelli, who is beginning his 23rd season as the leader of the Patriots. "It's opening night, we're honoring a great team at halftime - I'm sure there'll be plenty of people in attendance."

The starting lineup

Senior quarterback and captain Danny Hou will lead the Patriots' offense. The starting running backs are Geo Woodard and Yousef Benhamou while freshmen Reda Atoui and Jose Martinez will also see action in the backfield.

Joel Vasquez will anchor the offensive line at center. Also starting up front are tight end Bry-

an Fuentes, right tackle Adam Metawea, right guard Walter Franklin, left guard Gabe Da Paixao, and left tackle Silvio Neto.

Vasquez, Da Paixao, Metawea, and Neto will also start on the defensive line alongside Caesar Herrera. The linebackers are Benhamou, Woodard, Ayoub Gliel, Mario Ramirez, and Darian Martinez.

The starting defensive backs are Sergio Peguero and first-year player Joey Angiulo. Gabe Paretis will also see action at defensive back. In addition to his role on defense, Peguero is the backup quarterback.

Approaching a major milestone

Head coach Lou Cicatelli enters the season with 97 career coaching victories. Cicatelli is universally respected among his colleagues in the coaching profession. He has sent numerous players on to play college football.

Cicatelli's 2019 team, led by All-Scholastic running back Joey Llanos, won the Northeastern Conference title and posted the most wins (10-1) in school history.

"It was a great run, one I'll never forget," said Cicatelli.



NEW SEASON, NEW COACH FOR REVERE HIGH GIRLS SOCCER

The Revere High 2024 fall athletics season is set to get underway this week, with the Lady Patriot soccer team featuring a new head coach.

Ariana Rivera, who also coaches the RHS girls basketball program, will be stepping into the role of head coach, succeeding Megan O'Donnell, who had helmed the girls' soccer program for many years.

"The pre-season has been going well," said Rivera. "We played in the Medford Jamboree and there was some good and bad, but so much projection for growth. The team has been working hard in practices to perfect the formation and learn new positions that they might not have been comfortable with playing in the past. Once we can solidify our defense, we will be in a solid spot come our first game against Somerville."

The 2024 Lady Patriots will be led by a quartet of captains: Nisrin Sekkat, Erika Mejia, Fatima Esquivel, and Sandra Torres.

The other members of the varsity team are: Salma Zahouri, Amina Baroudi, Kathy Granados, Johanna Rivas, Kaylin Oliva Folgar, Grace Ramirez, Mia Ventura, Ikram Bichou, Emily Torres, Ajsi Balla, Amilee Hernandez, Kesley Morales, and Sa-

lome Alvarez, plus swing players Sarah Aguilar, Jayleeyah Figueroa, Lesly Mendoza, Adriana Cataldo, and Sara Granados.

The girls will kick off the season tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon with a contest against Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Somerville on the field at RHS. Rivera and her crew will play a 16-game schedule consisting of two contests with each of the seven GBL schools ((Malden, Medford, Somerville, Chelsea, Revere, Lynn Classical, and Lynn English) and two games vs. non-league opponents Milton and Haverhill at the end of the season.

After tomorrow's match with Somerville, the Lady Patriots will play at Lynn Classical next Wednesday and at Lynn English next Thursday.

The Revere High boys soccer team likewise will kick off its 2024 campaign tomorrow (Thursday) with a match at GBL rival Somerville. Veteran head coach Manny Lopes and his crew will host GBL foes Lynn Classical next Tuesday and Lynn English next Thursday.

Similar to the girls, the boys will have a 16-game schedule, with 14 contests against their seven GBL rivals and two with non-league opponents St. Mary's of Lynn and Central Catholic in the final week of the season.

The RHS field hockey team, which originally had been scheduled to open its

season this Friday, will get its season underway this Saturday (September 7) when they will make the long bus ride to non-league opponent Lowell.

"Our game on Friday is in the process of being rescheduled, so our away game in Lowell on Saturday will now be our first game," said RHS head coach Alexandra Butler. "We're excited to play Lowell as they are a talented and strong team."

Butler's squad will be led by a trio of captains, seniors Jordan Martelli and Ana Kalliavas (who are the only two seniors on the team) and junior Gemma Stamatopoulos. The other members of the 2024 varsity are: freshman Katherine Aborn, eighth-grader Naomie Abreha, sophomore Victoria Ackles, junior Sonia Haily, freshman Zizi Kalliavas, sophomore Kyla Lanes, junior Isabella Mendieta, freshman Nicole Miranda, junior Ava Morris, eighth-grader Lena Morris, junior Danni Hope Randall, freshman Bethany Tedele, and sophomore Genevieve Ziertzen.

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. They will host Northeast Regional next Wednesday afternoon and Arlington Catholic next Thursday afternoon on the turf at Harry Della Russo Stadium.

SCENES FROM THE SCRIMMAGE

Bob Marra Photos

Revere tuned up for its season opener this week with a scrimmage against Northeast Metro Tech Saturday at Harry Della Russo Stadium. The Patriots begin their 2024 campaign with a 6 p.m. game against Whittier Tech Friday night. The game will feature a half-time ceremony commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Revere's unbeaten season in 1964.



GAME PLAN: Revere coach Lou Cicatelli discusses a play with quarterback Danny Hou.



EYE TO EYE: Revere runner Gio Woodard comes face to face with a Northeast Metro Tech defender.



NOT THIS TIME: This pass was just out of reach for Revere's Gio Woodard.



DOWNFIELD TARGET: Shown to the left, Patriot Quarterback Danny Hou rolls and throws during Revere's scrimmage against Northeast Metro Tech.

Unbeaten Revere High School 1964 Football Team to be honored at September 6 Ceremony

Special to the Journal

Revere High School's misfortunate 1964 football team, which was forced to forfeit an unbeaten season due to a roster technicality, will be recognized during a halftime ceremony Friday night at Revere's season-opener against Whittier.

Players from the 1964 team will be on hand for the ceremony, which will feature remarks from Robert Baldwin, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletics Association (MIAA) and Mayor Patrick M. Keefe. Mayor Keefe will unveil a banner honoring the team that thereafter will hang in the Revere High fieldhouse.

The 1964 Patriots sported a 7-0-1 record as they prepared for the annual Thanksgiving Day clash against undefeated Winthrop. The Massachusetts Class B championship was at stake in the holiday tilt.

Principals Association (Headmasters) launched an investigation into the eligibility of a Revere player. According to a Boston Globe account at the time, Revere halfback Paul Nuell "... a senior, was the victim of a rule misinterpretation by Revere school officials." The Headmasters ruled that Nuell "...had completed his allotted eight semesters of eligibility..." even though illness prevented Nuell from playing football during a repeated sophomore year. Revere officials had believed that since Nuell never practiced or played during that repeat sophomore year because of his illness, it would not count against his eligibility. The Headmasters concluded, however, that during his repeated sophomore year, Nuell did not miss a required 25 or more consecutive days of school, which would have qualified him for an additional year of eligibility.

cord to 0-8. (As an aside, Chelsea declined to accept the Revere forfeit).

The ruling destroyed Revere's championship hopes. Heavy rain on Thanksgiving Day pushed the game to Saturday, November 28. In a defensive struggle before over 7000 people at a jam-packed Paul Revere Stadium, Revere scored the game's only touchdown on a last-minute dive by running back Bill Cintolo. A Jim DeGaizo-to-Vic Mancini pass for a two-point conversion accounted for the final 8-0 score. Despite Revere's unbeaten record on the field, no championship was realized.

Revere High and Boston College graduate Brandon Brito, a teacher at Garfield Middle School and assistant coach on this year's team, is completing a full-length film documentary about the 1964 team that will be released in November. Members of the 1964 team will meet current day players before the game and be recognized at halftime Friday night.

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Steve Walsh: Still slugging after all these years

By Bob Marra

When a 31-year old amateur baseball player rips up his left knee and fractures a tibia in a skiing accident, it usually means that any future need for a bat and glove is pretty much finished. Competitive athletics is a young person's pursuit.

But no one told that to Steve Walsh—and if they did, he didn't believe it. Walsh, now 43 and eleven years beyond his skiing mishap, last week completed his 25th season in the Yawkey Baseball League—and he's probably not finished yet.

Walsh was the unquestioned leader on a team filled with players about half his age that missed out on a Yawkey League Championship in a Game 7 loss to the rival Brighton Black Sox on August 26. Walsh enjoyed a torrid playoff season and led all players with 16 post-season hits. He credits his youthful teammates for his motivation.

"These young players keep me going," Walsh said. "Their energy and love for the game made (the 2024) season special, even though we fell short in game 7. After having a great postseason with these talented group of young players, I feel as though we have unfinished business to take care of."

Whether Walsh plays next year or not, his lifetime is already stamped with baseball accomplishments. The East Boston native, with extensive family connections in Revere, cultivated his love for baseball in the same way many kids do: by swinging at a wiffle ball pitched by his Dad in the back yard. From there, it was on to Little League at age 7, then eventually East Boston High School, where he graduated in 1999.

That year, the East Boston Athletic Board awarded

Walsh the Al Festa Memorial Award as Baseball Player of the Year, and the following year Walsh began his long and winding quarter-century of Yawkey League baseball.

"I started playing in the Yawkey League back in 2000 with the Boston Padres," said Walsh. He remembers that team manager Ed Neal had two teams, one in the Boston Park League and one in the Yawkey. "I played for both of his teams."

In 2002, East Boston became home to its own Yawkey League team, when Donald King and Paul Deleo launched the East Boston Blue Sox, and Walsh was on the hometown roster. Three years later, the team was re-christened as the East Boston Bombers. When the Bombers jumped to the Intercity League in 2007, Steve had to make a choice. "I've always stayed loyal to the Yawkey League, so I joined the Harbor Point Dodgers." Walsh spent six years with the Dodgers but, never tiring of baseball, he simultaneously played a couple of seasons with the East Boston Intercity League entry.

The years went by, and baseball was on Walsh's calendar every summer. In February of 2013, however, Walsh was the victim of a skiing accident. He tore the anterior, median, and lateral cruciate ligaments in his left knee—the dreaded Unhappy Triad—and fractured his tibia. Surgery, and a long, exhaustive, and painful recovery period wiped out baseball for 2013 and seemed to spell the end of Walsh's baseball life.

But by the summer of 2014, he felt well enough to give baseball another shot, and he rejoined Yawkey Baseball with the Brighton Minutemen.

In 2016, Walsh joined the Brighton Braves, his current team. The Braves won the Yawkey League championship in 2018, and came oh-so-close to another championship this year.

Over his long haul of Yawkey League base-

AT THE HELM OF 2024 RHS FOOTBALL



Head Coach Lou Cicatelli with the Varsity Patriot Captains: Danny Hou, Darian Martinez, Geo Woodard, and Adam Matewea.



Head Coach Lou Cicatelli with the RHS Patriot Seniors: Front row: Geo Woodard, Darian Martinez, Danny Hou, Gabe Paretis, and Gio Alexandre. Back row: Adam Matawea, Nico Aguirre, Joel Vasquez, Luis Gonzalez and Peter Mead.

ball, Walsh has racked up some impressive numbers. This summer he smacked his 400th hit in a game against the Al Thomas A's at Cunningham Park in Milton. Coincidentally, that's where Steve picked up his 350th hits a few seasons ago. He batted .400 during the 2022 season. Just last month, in Game 5 of the Yawkey League championship semi-finals, Walsh clouted a walk-off homerun to break a tie game and send the Braves into the League championship series.

He has lost count of how many times he's been named a Yawkey League All-Star, or won a League Silver Slugger or Gold Glove award—"a few," he says—but individual awards are secondary to

team accomplishments. It's the team accomplishments and team ob-

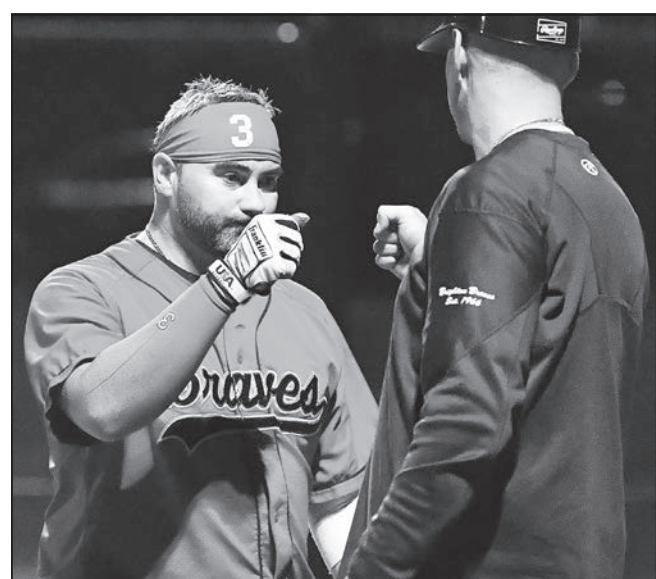
jectives that help Walsh manage the tough juggling act of baseball amid a full-

time job at Massport and teaming with his partner Milena to raise their six year-old daughter, Isabella.

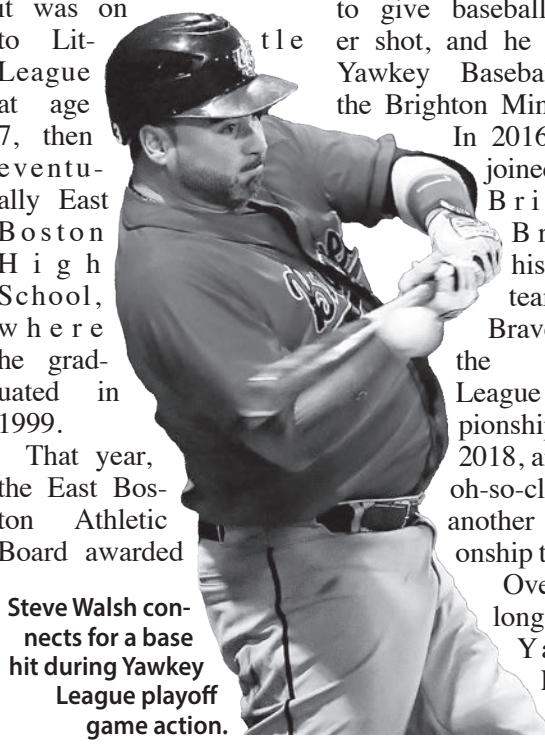
But as long as he can, and as long as the competitive spirit still burns, Steve Walsh will continue to play the game he loves. When the Yawkey season ended last week, he suited up for the Framingham Orioles playing in the annual Cape Cod Classic Tournament.

"I try to tell the young guys to continue to work hard and try to get better every day," Walsh says. "You're never too old to learn something new."

With that attitude, it's likely that Steve Walsh will keep his glove and bats nearby and ready to go for years to come.



Steve Walsh is congratulated as he leaves the field for a pinch runner after lacing a single in his final at-bat of the 2024 Yawkey League season during Game 7 of the league championship series. Walsh's Brighton Braves lost the championship to rival Brighton Black Sox.



Steve Walsh connects for a base hit during Yawkey League playoff game action.

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Fans are in line outside Sportsworld for an opportunity to meet Jerry Mathers, star of "Leave It To Beaver."

Cary Shuman Photos
Jerry Mathers, star of the immensely popular "Leave It To Beaver," show from 1957 to 1963, made a special appearance at Phil Castinetti's Sports-world store on Aug. 25.

Mathers, forever known as "The Beaver," was received warmly by his many fans who lined up early to greet him. Mathers

signed autographs, posed for photos, answered questions about the series, and even took part in a simulated arm-wrestling match with Revere resident Bruce Singer.

"He's a great guy - seeing him brought back so many wonderful memories of the show," Singer said of meeting the television legend in person.



Revere native Phil Castinetti welcomes TV legend Jerry Mathers to his Sportsworld memorabilia store on Aug. 25 in Saugus.



Bruce Singer and his mother, former Revere city councilor Rita Singer meet actor Jerry Mathers of the "Leave It To Beaver" show.



One of the greatest stars in the history of television, Jerry Mathers, is pictured with his wife, Teresa Mathers, on Aug. 25, at Sportsworld in Saugus.

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Principal Bowen updates School Committee on cell phones, attendance, and student support

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

During its regular meeting, the Revere School Committee invited Chris Bowen, Principal at Revere High School (RHS), to provide more information on addressing the school's cellphone and attendance policies and how its student support system will evolve.

The first topic up for discussion was cell phones. "It is our vision for this coming school year that we are creating an environment where students, families, caregivers, [and] teachers, experience phone-free learning experiences while they're in class and doing school at Revere High School," said Bowen.

It should be noted that the electronic device policy at the high school level allows students to carry their phones on their person. Still, they must be turned off at all times, except in the cafeteria during their assigned lunch period, according to the 2024-2025 Guide to Revere Public Schools for Students and Parents/Caregivers.

Penalties for violating the policy range from a

staff member asking the student to power off their phone and put it away to students, in severe cases, having to give up their phone at the beginning of the day to an administrator for 10 school days.

Bowen noted that a lot of time had been spent thinking about day-to-day steps for administration to ensure that the current policy was enforced at the classroom level.

Specifically, he indicated that school and community messaging was beginning to roll out that week, which described the rationale for phone-free learning and how phones impact kids' development.

Slides are also being created for teachers so there is consistent messaging for students. Bowen also mentioned a plan for grade-level assemblies on the first day of school so "teachers aren't the ones carrying the burden of making sure that attendance policy and cell phone policy, and that stuff — we want to be the ones that are the first leaders and speakers of them," he said.

Phone lock boxes have also been purchased for classrooms so confiscated

phones can be stored safely.

Other aspects Bowen mentioned include an "all-hands-on-deck" approach for administration to help teachers struggling with students not complying with policy, consistent language for teachers to help enforce the policy, and more.

After speaking about the cell phone aspect of the presentation, Bowen paused for questions and comments from the committee.

Committee Member Aisha Milbury-Ellis asked for more information about the all-hands-on-deck approach.

Bowen responded that teachers can use an email lists to contact the school's administrators and administrative assistants when students refuse to give up their phones.

"We don't want teachers to have to fight with kids and stop the lesson and do all of that in class. The idea is to just send an email to RHS Admin," he said.

Milbury-Ellis also expressed her satisfaction with the administration leading the charge, as it makes it clear to the stu-

dents that teachers are simply doing what they are told by enforcing the policy and are not being seen as the "bad guys."

Committee Member John Kingston echoed this above point, saying that the late Tony Mattered, who served on the committee before passing away, had a notebook stressing the need of "taking the teacher out of the equation as much as possible" and to "put it on the admin."

Kingston was also complimentary of some of the other steps the administration is taking to enforce the policy. He said that Mattered had many of the same ideas in his notes.

"I think it's great. Tony taught for 30 years, knows a lot more about teaching than I do, and for him to say those things and you to say those things, it puts me in a good place," he said.

Following some other questions and comments about cell phones, Bowen began discussing attendance plans.

"Our vision for the school is that we have a culture where people, students, caregivers, [and] teachers, see being on time [and] being on pro-

gram as essential to what it means to be on track to a successful high school experience," said Bowen.

Three outcomes have been created through faculty working groups for attendance to be implemented this school year.

These outcomes include defining role-specific responsibilities for attendance improvement, utilizing truancy intervention for those who are chronically absent, and using an in-school truancy intervention for kids who are coming to school but might be skipping or coming late to class.

Further, Bowen talked about messaging plans and how research shows that when families are notified about how their child's absences stack up to the average student, it "increases families' handle on their students' attendance."

Moreover, there are plans for caregiver awareness campaigns that include information such as missing two full school days over a month "sets a student up to be significantly off-track from graduation in a way that parents don't realize," according to Bowen.

Also, RHS is looking to redefine unexcused versus excused absences. Essentially, just because a parent calls in and says their kid is not coming to school does not excuse the absence.

Bowen also spoke about reinstating attendance points. "So when students are off program, when students are late to class, when students are late to school, there is an accrual of points that they earn that will kind of put them in a spot where, one, they sort of are owing time that they need to make up, assignments that are missed in that setting," he said.

"As well as who is in good standing and what that means; can you practice? Can you play? Can you attend clubs? Can you participate in school activities if you're not in good standing in terms of attendance?"

Lastly, Bowen discussed updates to the student support structure, something that was a big emphasis last year.

"It is really our desire that the people in our school community, students, teachers, caregivers, and administrators experience our support team process as a way that we can leverage relationships, that we can collaboratively problem solve to support students when they're in trouble so that they can demonstrate the resilience that we know our kids have," he said.

Before last year, Bowen indicated there were 240 student support teams, now consolidated into five. Student support

teams are a resource to assist students better. For more information, visit https://rhs.reverek12.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=4105719&tp e = d & p R E C _ ID=2496054.

Over the last year, there have been weekly support team meetings, professional development and coaching sessions, work to develop the student support team handbook and more.

Consistency across the teams is a big theme going into this school year. "My hope is that we're — if you think about last year, going from 240 configurations to five — my hope is that this year we're going from these five support teams to really functioning with like one support team process," said Bowen.

Moreover, there has been work done to develop routines for how faculty request support in certain situations and that they are consistent, increasing the range of social-emotional and engagement supports so teachers can implement them at the classroom level or have the information to make the correct referrals and more.

At the end of the presentation, the floor was again open to questions and comments. Vice-Chair Jacqueline Monterroso had asked if the school was exploring adding hall monitors in reference to one of the attendance outcomes.

However, in response, Bowen mentioned that the outcome focused more on how hall monitors collaborate with other staff, like assistant principals, and how multiple infractions are dealt with rather than needing more bodies.


Bowen made a closing statement focused on attendance to close out the more extensive discussion about these topics.

He said, "I think people are often set on the fact that there's not a failure due to attendance, means there's no absent policy. We have an attendance policy; there are implications for missing class, there are natural consequences, and school developed consequences for those that we are putting in place whether it's detention or whether it's this idea of being in good standing or not."

"I think that it would be helpful for us as a school if we as adults can get on board, on the same page that there is an attendance policy... I think it is somewhat detrimental to our efforts when the talk is that there's no attendance policy."

To view this presentation in its entirety, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nsB-53BrVcsM&t=953s> and skip to 14:33.

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STREETS OF THE NORTH END COME TO LIFE WITH ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST



Amelia holds Mia while Milo feels left out.

Derek Kouyoumjian Photos

The 105th St Anthony's Feast is a weekend religious ceremony and celebration of St Anthony Of

Padua. The streets of the North End are alive with visitors coming to enjoy the food, music, spectacle, and community.



Kayleigh, Chantelle, and Casey have balanced looking chic with keeping casual fit the hot Summer night.



Ava Burns (center) holds her victory prize high with her friends Lisa Mouradian and Maggie Leone.



The team at Wise Guys Canolies And Pasta are stirring up some excellent sauce and other foods.



The streets of the North End are lit up with festival lights, carnival attractions, food vendors and many visitors to share the fun of the St Anthony's Feast.



A worker at The Original Canoli Guy looks at the mountain of shells that will be soon filled.



The crowd goes wild for Joey Canzano and Lola Domino.



Sarah with Jenna's Cucina is proud to be The Little Pasta Girl.



St Anthony's Feast Committee Member David Capodilupo and VP Michael Bonetti.



The St Anthony's Club Beer Garden has much revelry.



Mike at the Dellanos booth makes fried Oreos.



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Wonderland track announcer Jerry Gerardi is leaving for Illinois. **PAGE 17.**

KICKOFF

The Revere High School football team is gearing up for Saturday's season opener vs. Saugus. **PAGE 17.**

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NEVER FORGET



ON BOARD

Anthony Giannino (above) and others were sworn into various posts on city boards and commissions during a City Hall ceremony last week. **PHOTOS, PAGE 4.**

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EDUCATION

Look at us now

Revere cited as one of the top urban school systems in the state

By SETH DANIEL
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Just one year ago, a major Boston newspaper published a story about Revere, citing that the greatest disappointment and weakest link was the school system.

Many were outraged. School officials sighed and noted that such

errors in fact were par for the course. In the end, the wrong couldn't be totally repaired and the negative perception was once again out there.

Today, Sept. 8, looks to be a new and different day.

The high school has been burst-

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MCAS will expand to include science and history

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Like it or not, the MCAS test has become the measure of scholastic success in this state.

Since the late 1990s, schools across the commonwealth have tested students on English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics. Just a few years ago, the MCAS became a graduation requirement.

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FOLLOW-UP



This little piece of land on Sherman Street has managed to cause a big controversy.

DiPlatzis: Leave us alone

By SETH DANIEL
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At times, the city makes very good decisions where officials can hold their heads high and know that they helped residents and strengthened neighborhoods.

Then, there are other times when the city's decisions don't turn out as planned.

Last week, we wrote about a situation on Sherman Street where, last summer, the city sold a 1,600 square foot parcel of city-owned land to abutters Paul and Charlene DiPlatzi. The parcel had been part of a street, not a legal street on paper, but a paved thoroughway that had been used as a street for decades.

The DiPlatzis followed the legal guidelines, advertised their plans, went through countless city meetings, and in the end purchased one half of that street for \$2,000. This summer, they added an expensive fence and put up an above ground pool on the former thoroughway. It was a nice addition to their home and a good place for their kids to play.

It was a dream realized.

Sherman Street is a small street adjacent to Town Line Brook and on the edge of a marsh skirting the Revere/Malden line. There are houses on either side. It's quiet, and compared to most streets in Ward 6, there isn't much traffic. Neighbors are tight-knit and caring.

However, the city's decision to

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CRIME



JULAIN JULES
Missing since Aug. 24

Missing woman's car found in Revere

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

A 26-year-old Malden woman, Julaine Jules, who disappeared mysteriously on Aug. 24 is being sought by numerous law enforcement agencies, including Suffolk County DA Dan Conley's office and Revere Police.

On Friday, Conley's office announced that a cash reward of \$2,500 has been privately established for information that leads to the discovery of the woman.

Jules left her place of employment, a credit card concierge company called Circle, located near the South Boston waterfront on Congress Street, at approximately 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 24. Jules never returned to work or to her home in Malden. Her car, a gray 2000 Honda Accord, was found burning in the Revere Bally's parking lot at 12:30 a.m. later that night. Last week, on Aug. 30, a Medford woman found Jules' driver's license on Revere Beach Boulevard.

The investigation into Jules' disappearance is very active. The Boston Police Department,

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ENTERTAINMENT

Sena of attention

Revere native stars in 'Loman Family Picnic' at Gloucester Stage Theatre

By SHEILA BARTH

When Stephen Sena of Revere was 17 and a senior at Revere High School, he got an offer he couldn't refuse - to be actor Peter Falk's stand-in and double in the big-budget William Friedkin movie about the Brinks robbery, filmed in Boston.

He not only shadowed Falk, whom he calls a real, down-to-earth guy, but hung out with the longtime TV detective Columbo. Falk even taught Sena how to pick a lock with a coathanger.

The only thing Sena regrets was disappointing his then-girlfriend and missing his senior prom because he was shooting the movie days and nights. He even had to get the director's permission to attend his graduation.

It was all worth it, the seven months of shooting a movie, hanging out with stars and seeing the inner workings of moviemaking, because it established Sena's goal in life — to become an actor.

For the next few weeks, through

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Revere native Stephen Sena plays 'Herbie' in the 'Loman Family Picnic' at the Gloucester Stage Theatre. Adrienne Krstansky stars opposite Sena, as Herbie's wife Doris.

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

Join us as we explore these historic moments, one week at a time.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

LA COLABORATIVA DEPLOYS FIRST CONTAINERIZED URBAN FARM IN CHELSEA

CHELSEA - La Colaborativa, a preeminent Latinx-led nonprofit organization focused on empowering Latinx residents and enhancing quality of life, is excited to announce the launch of the youth-centered Freight Farm Urban Agriculture Program.

Beginning this community-centered project, La Colaborativa has deployed the first containerized urban farming unit in Chelsea and the greater region, which will be operated by youth enrolled in La Colaborativa's workforce training programs.

"For decades, we have worked diligently to address health disparities and environmental injustice in Chelsea and the greater region," said La Colaborativa Executive Director Gladys Vega. "With our new Freight Farm, we're thrilled to embark on a transformative project that will empower youth, advance urban agriculture, and enhance the health of our community."

This marks the beginning of a major food security and health equity project aimed at boosting access to healthy, culturally familiar produce, including hydroponically grown herbs, lettuces, greens, and other vegetables.

"As climate change and gentrification intensify, residents across the community are grappling with rising prices and grave food insecurity," said Alex Train, COO of La Colaborativa. "We're excited to deploy this unique model to address social determinants of health, while setting out pathways for our youth to pursue careers that can transform their community."

The ultimate aim of the project is to prevent chronic diseases through locally-grown, culturally familiar produce and healthy cooking techniques. and the environment while launching a new youth development program focused on training young adults for careers in the food security, culinary, and nutrition fields.

In conjunction with Freight Farms, a pioneer in container farming technology, La Colaborativa is operating the first containerized urban farming unit in Chelsea.

Harnessing the power of technology, the unit will cultivate up to 12,000 pounds of fresh produce for the community each year. Grounded in the principles of health equity, La Colaborativa's efforts aim to comprehensively address social determinants of health by increasing the volume, variety, and quality of fresh produce. Distributed through its large-scale food pantry and mobile market, El Verdulero, fresh vegetables from the freight farm will reduce the detrimental effects of food deserts, improve physical and mental health, and lessen household costs - a vital lifeline as rent, utility, and living costs sharply grow.

Through La Colaborativa's Youth Development Program, a cohort of young adults interested in pursuing careers in climate resilience, food security, and environmental disciplines will gain hands-on experience operating the Freight Farm.

"We're going to have



La Colaborativa's container farm.

Looking towards our shared future, this partnership introduces a multifaceted program aimed at empowering youth to cultivate skills and pursue career ambitions that reveal economic opportunity. In parallel, youth will be connected to educational and career pathways that can positively impact the community. Youth contributing to the freight farm will also be supported through robust mentorship and leadership development activities.

The project is informed by a lineage of environmental justice. Over 30 years ago, La Colaborativa established the Chelsea Green Space Committee. Since then, La Colaborativa has spearheaded air quality mitigation, health equity, open space, and food security initiatives that have dramatically improved the environment of Chelsea.

Building off of this foundation, this new initiative seeks to catalyze lasting economic opportunities for youth, with the ultimate goal of fostering generational community development through environmental justice.

EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL DRAWS LARGE TURNOUT

EVERETT - Everett High School football continues to set the standard in the Greater Boston League.

Blending an immensely popular Crimson Tide Pop Warner organization with the enthusiasm and the spirit of second-year head coach Justin Flores, the EHS program has more than 70 players in pre-season workouts, one of the largest turnouts in the region.

"Practices have been going well," said Flores. "We're excited to play Arlington in our first scrimmage (Tuesday night). One of their offensive linemen (Brady Bekkenhuis, a 6-foot-4-inch, 295-pound junior) is a BC-commit so it will be a good test for our line."

Ortiz said the team will select its captains for the 2024 season next week.

Leading the Offense

Carlos Rodriguez is beginning his second year as the starting quarterback. Manny Santiago has moved into a starting role as a running back. Kevin Diaz, who will start at linebacker, will also get some calls out of the offensive backfield. Everett's receiving corps consists of receivers are Yariel Ortiz, Lucas Brito, Elijah Lassiter, and John Barreiros.

A new look for Everett?

Justin Flores hinted that Everett football may have a new look in Week 3 of the season which is a home game versus Xaverian.

something new this season for sure," said Flores. "We're going to wear the classic uniforms (San Francisco 49ers-style) in the opening game, but we're going to spice it up a little bit this year, too. It's going to be nice."

Justin Flores' memorable recruiting trip to Mansfield

The Crimson Tide will open their season at home against Mansfield on Friday, Sept. 6.

Flores recalled a recruiting trip he made to Mansfield when he was an assistant coach at the University of Maine. Flores had traveled to Mansfield to evaluate a player's college prospects, but one particular Everett High player hindered his plans during the game.

"It was my first year recruiting Massachusetts, and I went to the Everett-Mansfield game. I was there to see a running back and the [Maine] head coach called me at half-time and asked, 'How's it going?'"

"I said, there's a kid from Everett that every time he touches the ball, he scores, so it's hard to watch the running back get the ball," recalled Flores.

That Everett High player was Mikey Sainristil, who put on one of the greatest individual performances in school history. Sainristil had two touchdown receptions [in the first half] and intercepted three passes to lead Everett to a 41-14 victory over Mansfield on a night Mansfield dedicated its football stadium and had a capacity crowd on hand.

"It was nice to see that [performance by Sainristil]," said Flores.

Sainristil, of course, went on to play college football at Michigan, helping the Wolverines win the 2023 national championship before being selected in the NFL Draft by the Washington Commanders.

EASTIE LATIN MUSIC AND DANCE FESTIVAL RETURNS SEPTEMBER 21

EAST BOSTON - The annual East Boston Latin Music & Dance Festival brings a day filled with Sonidos De La Gente (Sounds of the People) to East Boston Memorial Park Saturday, September 21, 2024. Now in its third year, the festival will feature a variety of local artists and dance groups spread across two stages from 1:00 - 7:30 PM. The FREE family-friendly event is organized by Sen. Lydia Edwards' office in conjunction with ZUMIX, Veronica Robles Cultural Center, East Boston Main Streets, and the City of Boston.

The 2024 festival will include the salsa sounds of Puerto Rican singer, composer and bandleader Jesus Pagan y su Orquesta, the vibrant Colombian rhythms of La Rockola as well as the incomparable Veronica Robles' Mariachi Band and the unique Andean sounds from Omar Clavijo y su Son Latino. The afternoon will also include performances by youth musicians from ZUMIX.

Dance groups will include Salsa y Control (Salsa), Samba Viva (Baiana, Malandro, Maculelê, Axé), Bajucol folkloric dancers, and Veronica Robles Cultural Center's

youth dancers.

The East Boston Latin Music & Dance Festival will also feature local and independent restaurants serving food and drink throughout the event.

"I am proud to serve the wonderful community of East Boston, and delighted to join local residents as we celebrate the rich Latin American cultures that bring so much vibrance to this corner of the city," said Sen. Lydia Edwards. "I invite everyone to come visit Eastie on 9/21 to enjoy great music, dance, food, and festivities!"

This festival takes place at East Boston Memorial Park, a beautiful spot adjacent to the MBTA Airport Station on the Blue Line and the Mary Ellen Welch Greenway. Attendees are encouraged to use public transportation including the MBTA East Boston ferry.

El Festival de Música y Baile Latino de East Boston regresa con una celebración de un día de duración el 21 de septiembre de 2024

El Festival anual de música y baile latino de East Boston trae un día lleno de "Sonidos De La Gente" al East Boston Memorial Park el sábado 21 de septiembre de 2024. Ahora en su tercer año, el festival contará con una variedad de artistas locales y grupos de baile repartidos en dos escenarios de 1:00 a 7:30 p.m. El evento familiar GRATUITO está organizado por la oficina de la senadora Lydia Edwards en conjunto con ZUMIX, el Centro Cultural Verónica Robles, East Boston Main Streets y la Ciudad de Boston.

El festival 2024 inclu-

irá los sonidos de salsa del cantante, compositor y director de orquesta puertorriqueño Jesús Pagán y su Orquesta, los vibrantes ritmos colombianos de La Rockola, así como el incomparable Mariachi de Verónica Robles y los sonidos andinos inigualables de Omar Clavijo y su Son Latino. La tarde también incluirá actuaciones de jóvenes músicos de ZUMIX.

Los grupos de baile incluirán Salsa y Control (Salsa), Samba Viva (Baiana, Malandro, Maculelê, Axé), bailarines folclóricos de Bajucol y jóvenes bailarines del Centro Cultural Verónica Robles.

El Festival de Música y Danza Latina de East Boston también contará con restaurantes locales e independientes que servirán comida y bebida durante todo el evento.

"Estoy orgullosa de servir a la maravillosa comunidad de East Boston y encantada de unirme a los residentes locales mientras celebramos las ricas culturas latinoamericanas que aportan tanta vitalidad a este rincón de la ciudad", dijo la senadora Lydia Edwards. "¡Invito a todos a visitar Eastie el 21 de septiembre para disfrutar de buena música, baile, comida y festividades!"

Este festival se lleva a cabo en East Boston Memorial Park, un hermoso lugar adyacente a la estación MBTA Airport en la Línea Azul y Mary Ellen Welch Greenway. Se anima a los asistentes a utilizar el transporte público, incluido el ferry MBTA East Boston.

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To all interested persons: A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: Roberta Marotta of Medford, MA requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale. **IMPORTANT NOTICE** You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/16/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. **WITNESS**, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 27, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 9/04/24 R

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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 mortgaged 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 are measurements more or less. Being the same premises conveyed to Valdirene Dos Santos, Dated July 29, 2005 and Recorded

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Public Hearing Notice is hereby given that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, September 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts

relative to the following proposed amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere: **AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REVERE REPEALING THE PROHIBITION OF NON-MEDICAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS** Be it ordained by the City of Revere as follows: **SECTION 1.** Chapter 9.17 of Title 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by deleting the word "MARIJUANA" in the Chapter title and inserting in place thereof the word "MARIJUANA." **SECTION 2.** Chapter 9.17 of Title 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting "M." before all instances of "G.L." and adding a comma directly after all Massachusetts General Law chapter numbers. **SECTION 4.** Chapter 9.17 of Title 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting new Section 9.17.010(B): **B.** On-site or social consumption of marijuana, as defined by M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1(g), and M.G.L. c. 94C, § 1, as the same may be amended, at any marijuana establishment as defined in Section 17.30.030, or any registered marijuana dispensary as defined in Section 17.30.30, is hereby prohibited. **SECTION 5.** Chapter 9.17 of Title 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by re-lettering the existing sub-sections of Section 9.17.010 following the insertion of the above new sub-section (B). **SECTION 6.** Chapter 9.18 of Title 9 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby repealed in its entirety. A copy of the aforementioned proposed ordinance is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before September 17, 2024. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk 9/04/24 R

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Revere Public Library introduces new librarian and fall programs

By Melissa Moore-Randall

As summer comes to a close, the Revere Public Library is gearing up for back to school with many new fall programs and introducing a new librarian.

Kim Maniscalco is the new Adult Services Librarian. Kim is a lifelong Revere resident who has

an immense amount of passion for the city and community. She chose a career change to bring her love for books and event planning to the library. She started her collegiate career at Endicott College majoring in Hospitality and Event Planning, then transferred to Salem State University where

she earned her Bachelor's degree double majoring in American Studies and Early Childhood Education. She enrolled in the 4+1 program earning her Masters in Early Education with a 4.0 GPA. By her third week at the library, she has already planned various programs and events for adults, which you can find on our website. She is an avid reader and has great recommendations.

In addition to welcoming Kim to their staff, the RPL is also kicking off their fall programs and events including:

Creative Writing Club - September 5 and 19 at 4:30

Elementary Book Club - September 12 and 25 at 4:30, ages 6-12

Teen/Young Adult Book Club - September 14 from 1:00-2:00, ages 13+

Needle Felting - September 10 at 4:30-6:00, ages 13+

Board Game Night - Second Wednesday of the month starting September 11 from 6:30-7:30, 18+

Book Club for Adults, starting September 4 at 6:00 - once a month, ages

18+

Fire Cider Workshop - Classic folk remedy that herbalists and kitchen witches have been making for generations that boosts immune systems, wards off colds and flu and an overall tonic for the body. Nora Toomey, Clinical Herbalist of True Bloom community medicine making. Each participant will leave with a pint jar for of Fire Cider, September 25 from 6:00-8:00

Homework Club, Thursdays from 5:00-6:00 - Free wifi, snacks, quiet space and study supplies provided, ages 13+

Creative Corner Tuesdays 5:00-6:00, ages 13+ Hummingbird Craft - September 7 at 12:00, ages 6-12

Avocado Craft - September 23 - 3:30, ages 6-12

Make your own Bookmark, September 28th, all day

Story Time, Thursdays from 11:00-12:00, ages 0-5

PlayDoh Club, 9/4, 9/18, 9/25 from 11:00-12:00, ages 2-5

Legos Club September



Adult Services Librarian Kim Maniscalco.

18 from 3:00-4:00, ages 6-12

Sensory Play, Tuesdays from 11:00-12:00, ages 0-5

Revere residents are also able to get a Library card with an ID and proof of residence. Through the NOBLE Library system, books and periodicals can be borrowed for up to 21 days and videos, CDs, and DVDs for three days. There is an after hours book drop also available near the entrance of the Children's Library.

In addition to programs and the Noble Library System, the Library offers passes (some offering discounts) for the Boston Children's Museum, Boston Harbor Island Ferry, Harvard Museum of Natural History, The House of Seven Gables, Institute

of Contemporary Art Boston, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, New England Aquarium, Peabody Essex Museum, USS Constitution Museum

They recently added a Soofa Sign which will keep residents up to date with programs, social media posts, directions, weather, polls and more. All you need to do is scan the QR code when you walk by.

The Library, located at 179 Beach Street, is open Monday-Thursday from 8-7 and Fridays 9-5. For more information about programs and services, you can send an email to revere@noblenet.org or visit their website at reverepubliclibrary.org.



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owner, Althea Harper of Thonotosassa, Florida.

School Committeeman William Cintolo, Revere attorney Fred Diamond, and Charles Henry. State Rep. Francis Doris is unopposed in his re-election bid for the 29th Suffolk seat.

Revere resident Charles Anderson is collecting signatures for a petition to place a question on the November ballot that would ban smoking in public places in the state. Anderson said that government has failed to address the issue of second-hand smoke, which is a major health threat to non-smokers.

Nationally-famous

singer Al Martino is appearing this week at Your Ace of Clubs.

Thurston Ege, president of the local citizens group, Voice of Interested Citizens Everywhere, has alleged that two companies are filling in marshland illegally along No. Shore Rd. Ege, an unsuccessful candidate twice for Ward Five City Councillor, has presented his evidence to state and federal officials.

The School Committee voted 5-2 to appoint George Duffy to the newly-created post of court assistant principal at Revere High School.

60 years ago September 3, 1964

Interest is high for next Thursday's state primary election. The main local contest features a battle for Revere's two State Representative seats among incumbents Ray Carey and Joseph DelGrosso and the strong challenges of former School Committee member Mrs. Katherine Collins, Garfield Junior High teacher Joseph DiCarlo, firefighter Charles M. Flynn, businessman Anthony D. Rizzo, and local contractor Anthony Yantosca. All eyes also will be on the Democratic gubernatorial battle be-

tween incumbent Governor Endicott Peabody and his Lieut. Governor, Francis X. Bellotti.

Rising enrollments are predicted for the public schools when they open next Wednesday, with about 7600 students expected to be enrolled. Garfield School students will be forced to endure double sessions because of the loss of the Lincoln School to an arson fire last year.

In addition, there are 600 students enrolled at the Immaculate Conception School, which will not be opening until September 14 because of repairs being made to the school building.

Revere High Principal Dr. Albert Fulchino said this week that he has received a letter from the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools stating that Revere High is all but assured of accreditation for the next two years.

With the School Committee having rejected the

demand of the Interfaith Council to rescind its vote naming Philip Flowers as the new Principal of the Paul Revere School, the council has announced that it will seek a recall petition of those members who voted for Flowers's appointment. Flowers was chosen by the committee over Edward Manganiello, a guidance counselor at the Paul Revere School who had been recommended for the principalship by School Supt. Louis C. Perullo.

70 years ago September 9, 1954

Voter interest will be high for next week's primary election that will feature five candidates for Revere's two State Representative seats. Incumbents Harold Canavan and William H.J. Rowan are being opposed by challengers Mrs. Katharine E. Collins, Louis M. Kirstein, and Joseph Del Grosso on the Democratic ballot.

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TOWN CONTINUES WORK ON FIRE STATION SITE SELECTION

WINTHROP - The town basketball courts on Walden Street and the old middle school are the two sites the town is focusing on as a potential site for a new fire station.

Last November, voters rejected an approximately \$40 million debt exclusion vote that would have funded the building of a new fire station at the Wadsworth Building site on Winthrop Street, replacing the two current stations on Pauline Street and Shirley Avenue, both of which are over a century old.

At last week's regular town council meeting, Town Manager Tony Marino said the town is finalizing survey questions for residents on their thoughts about the fire station loca-

tion. Council President Jim Letterie also provided an update on how and when a possible debt exclusion vote for one of the two sites could appear on an election ballot.

"At our last meeting, the council approved a request from the school committee to put an override on the ballot," said Letterie. "Now we are looking at potentially there is a firehouse, potentially there is a citizens' petition to put 3A on. So I asked the town clerk to call to see what other options we have, and my understanding is ... we could have a separate ballot, a town ballot for either a citizens' petition or a debt exclusion for this November or whenever we choose."

Letterie said there would be an additional cost to the town if there is a separate ballot for either

or both questions.

Town Clerk Denise Quist said if there was a ballot question during the presidential election in November it would cost the town close to \$16,000 because the town has to abide by all state laws related to early voting and notifications to voters.

"If we do that, and then we have another ballot question anyway in a month or so, that will be another additional \$16,000," said Quist.

In addition to the efforts to select a site for a new fire station, Marino said there are also plans underway for potential repairs to reinforce the floors in the engine bays of the Pauline Street station.

"There's a plan in place to put a small retaining wall down there so we can isolate just where the bays are so we can remove the floor, put the fill in, and

then pour a new concrete floor over that," said Marino. "Then we are also getting pricing and plans, we would lose the steam boiler at that point, for what mini-splits and electric heat would cost upstairs."

Marino said there is no imminent threat for the floor to fall in at the Pauline Street station, but that it is something that the town needs to address.

"We are looking at potentially taking one of the engines out that we don't use on a regular basis and maybe putting it over at the old DPW garage ... so there would be closeby access for it, but we would also lose half the weight on the floor," said Marino. "We are looking at a few different things, but we want to get a fine-tuned cost before we bring it to the council."

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