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#### RHS GRADUATION NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Revere High School graduation is scheduled for Wednesday, June 4 at Harry Della Russo Stadium from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The rain date for the ceremony is Thursday, June 5 at the same time.

This year's athletic awards ceremony takes place on Monday, June 2 at Revere High School.

The last day of school for seniors is this Friday, May 30.

Friday, May 30 is also the date for the Coast Collaborative graduation, which takes place at 11 a.m. at the Coast Collaborative at 101 School St.

#### CITY OF REVERE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY



The City of Revere gathered in solemn remembrance and respectful unity to honor the Americans who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 26 at McMackin Memorial Park. Shown are Nina DeFreitas and Cheryl Kelley waving their American Flags showing support during the Memorial Day Ceremony. See pages 16 and 17 for more photos.

#### Disabilities Comm. hopes for July start for music therapy program

Special to the Journal

The Revere Commission on Disabilities (COD) held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 13. On hand for the session were chair Ralph DeCicco, vice-chair Pauline Perno, Jason Barone-Cichocki, Mario Grimanis, and Annmarie Fiore.

Fiore presented an update regarding the Music Therapy Program to be conducted under the auspices of the Community Music Center of Boston in collaboration with the Revere Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiore said that the dates for the three preliminary workshops for parents and instructors hopefully will be scheduled for July and August with the music therapy sessions themselves starting shortly thereafter.

DeCicco presented the

updates for the CODA (Commissions on Disabilities Alliance) meetings that were held April 9 and May 7. The highlights for the April 9 meeting were:

-- The Arlington COD mentioned they have a wonderful new universal design playground;

-- The Newburyport COD mentioned that their Project Lifesaver program has people fully-trained, equipment has arrived, and it's underway; and

-- There was a discussion from various commissioners on what it means to be a Disability Commission

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#### Corey Abrams Fifth Anniversary Memorial will be held Saturday, May 31

By Cary Shuman

Family and friends will gather to celebrate the life of Corey Abrams at the Fifth Anniversary Memorial Saturday, May 31, at 2 p.m. at the Corey Abrams Community Park on 125 Broadsound Avenue in Revere.

Cory was a highly respected realtor and entrepreneur known for his kindness and compassion. Friends say he had a great sense of humor, a vibrant person-

ality, and a generous spirit for volunteerism, which he exhibited through his youth sports coaching. He was an avid Boston sports fan.

Kerri Abrams Perullo said her older brother Corey's five children, Kailynn Alford, Brianne Abrams, Madyson Abrams, Aidan Abrams, and Logan Abrams have organized a memorial event annually to honor their beloved father.

"They've done a really good job every year of hold-

ing an event, such as a silent mediation, yoga at his park, and a candlelight service," said Kerri. "This year they just wanted to do something more in celebration of his memory."

Corey's wife, Kristin Abrams, and his parents, former Revere School Committee member Hal Ford Abrams and Kim (Caniff) Abrams, will be in attendance. Kerri Abrams Perullo, her husband, Frank Perullo, and their children,

Paige Rampelberg, Olivia Perullo, Jack Perullo, and Owen Perullo will also pay tribute to Corey's memory at the event.

Mayor Patrick Keefe and Paul Buonfiglio, a close friend of the Abrams' family, will deliver remarks at the ceremony.

"We invite everyone to come and cherish my brother Corey's memory," said Kerri Abrams Perullo.



Corey Abrams

#### License Comm. conducts three hearings into security and noise issues

Special to the Journal

The Revere License Commission held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday afternoon, May 21, in the City Council Chamber. On hand for the session were chair Robert Selevitch and fellow members Dan Occena and Lili-



ana Monroy.
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The Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish, 670 Washington Avenue, requested a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment license to be exercised in the lower church hall on Saturday, June 28, from 5 p.m.–10 p.m. for a Fourth of July Disco Dinner Dance with an expected attendance of 85-95.

Sal Ternullo presented the application. Mr. Ternullo said that the parish has been holding these sorts of gatherings two or three times per year for the past several years without any issues. There were no opponents and the commissioners unanimously approved the application.

The next item was a request from Cafeteria Las Delicias Colombianas, Inc., 86 Shirley Avenue, Maria Arango, manager, for an alteration of premises to add outdoor seating for 12 patrons with requested hours from Sunday–Saturday, 11 a.m.–9 p.m.

Occena noted that the Site Plan Review board had determined there is sufficient room on the sidewalk for the 12 seats, though he added that the owners should be sure to situate any flower pots and planters to ensure there is a clearance of four

feet to allow pedestrians to pass.

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

Next up was an application from Tulum Taqueria, Inc., 425 Revere Beach Boulevard, Daybelis Delarosa Del Carmen Paulino, manager, for an All Alcohol Restaurant license with requested hours from Sunday–Saturday, 6 a.m.– 2 a.m. with requested seating of 20.

Ms. Delarosa told the commissioners that the restaurant is seeking an all-alcohol license "in order to complement our tradi-

tional Mexican cuisine and enhance the dining experience for our patrons."

She said that the staff will become TIPS-certified and

that the business will meet all professional standards. Ms. Delarosa, who herself

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#### SSGT. JAMES J. HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL GLOW GALLERY 2025



A wide-angle view of some of the Under the Sea exhibit at the James J. Hill Middle School. Students worked on the art project throughout the year. See more photos on Page 6.



#### REVERE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025 PROM



Revere High School students waiting outside of the Danversport Yacht Club to enter their prom on May 20. See more photos on Page 7.

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#### **CONGRATULATIONS** TO THE CLASS OF 2025

A high school graduation is a singular event in the life of every community, where almost everybody knows one of the graduates or their families. All of us share in the happiness and sense of achievement of our young people who will be receiving their diplomas. And for all of us, a high school graduation brings back our own fond memories from our long-gone youth.

For the graduates themselves, their high school graduation marks both an end and a beginning. They no longer are children, either in the eyes of the law or in reality. They are fullfledged adults who will be leaving the sheltered harbor of their families and communities and setting sail on a journey that none of them will be able to anticipate, but which will be full of surprises, bringing both stormy seas and smooth sailing.

Yes, graduation is a bittersweet time, both for the grads and their family members.

For the parents who will be watching their sons and daughters step to the podium when their name is called, no doubt they will be thinking of how fast time has gone by since they first brought their child by the hand to preschool and kindergarten.

Such moments bring to mind the sentiments expressed in the lyrics of the song, Sunrise, Sunset, from the musical Fiddler on the Roof:

Is this the little girl I carried *Is this the little boy at play?* I don't remember growing older When did they? When did she get to be a beauty When did he grow to be so tall? Wasn't it yesterday when they were small?

We congratulate the Class of 2025 for all of their accomplishments that have earned them the right to step onto that podium to receive their diplomas. We know we join with all of the members of our community in wishing them blue the years ahead.

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editor@reverejournal.com are preferred.

#### School committee approves superintendent contract, continues budget discussions

By Adam Swift

The school committee unanimously approved a new, three-year contract for Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly at last week's meeting.

The contract runs from July 1 of this year through June 30 of 2028, according to Mayor Patrick Keefe.

"Obviously, Dr. Kelly has been an esteemed superintendent in our school district for a number of years, and an almost lifelong employee," said Keefe.

Kelly will be finishing her 30th year in the Revere schools this year.

"More than likely, this will be her final contract to wrap up her exceptional career, and I know that that will be a tough challenge for us when she looks to potentially retire in just over three years," said Keefe. "It was a lot like the rest of our negotiations, we looked at the longevity of her employment and the obligations that were in her prior contract, and we have to honor those obligations. The obligations will be honored in her current contract, as well as some factors when it comes to the COLAs (cost of living adjustments)."

The mayor said he be-

lieves the agreement is a fair contract that puts Kelly in the middle of the pack for pay when it comes to competing area superintendents.

"But in my opinion, she is the best superintendent in the region, so we are happy to extend the contract for three more years and have her continue to lead our school district," Keefe said.

A good portion of the remainder of the meeting focused on discussions over potential cuts to the school transportation budget, and the school budget as a whole, as the school district continues its efforts to address budget deficits for Fiscal Year 2026.

Keefe has proposed eliminating the middle school lottery and cutting bus transportation so that the city provides only what is required by law.

Several school committee members and the superintendent have questioned the proposed cuts, noting that there is not a solid enough plan in place to make the changes prior to the next school year.

The committee agreed to hold a committee of the whole meeting to focus on addressing the transportation costs, which currently face a \$1.9 million deficit, according to school committee member John Kings-

Committee Vice Chair Jackie Monterroso said she understands the mayor and the city have to make tough choices on the budget, but she said she couldn't support major changes to the transportation plan or ending the middle school lottery without a more detailed plan in place.

"I think we are starting the discussion too late and we need a clear plan before overriding policy and cutting bussing," she said.

Keefe noted that the transportation costs, which are borne by the city and not part of net school spending, are rising much higher than the city can afford.

"One of the countermeasures is to eliminate the lottery," said Keefe.

While the mayor said the middle school lottery was put in place with good intentions about two decades ago, it has now mostly outlived its usefulness.

Kelly said she believed it would be reckless to move forward with ending the school lottery immediately without discussions with parents, staff, and students.

"I encourage you to at least take a beat ... doing this at the 11th hour does not solve problems, it creates problems," said Kelly.

Kelley said the district finance director can look at some options for potentially trimming the transportation budget prior to the committee of the whole meeting. She noted that there are some high school students who live more than two miles from the high school and take the bus, and added that there could be a consideration of moving the transportation boundary for middle school students from one mile back to two miles.

In other business, several school nurses advocated for keeping the school health aides in the FY26 budget during the public speaking portion of the meeting.

As part of the overall potential school budget cuts, the school committee is also being asked to consider cutting the six health aides that were initially funded though pandemic relief funds.

Several nurses stated that the health aides are necessary to help address the numerous physical and mental health issues of the students in the schools, especially those that only have one

#### The City of Revere partners with Citibot to launch Piper AI-powered text

Message solution includes automated features that residents

can access 24/7 Special to the Journal

The City of Revere announced the launch of its new customer service tool, Piper. Piper is a text messaging service that lets residents quickly and easily connect with the city 24/7 without the need to download an app. It was launched in partnership with Citibot, the leading provider of interactive chat solutions for

Piper combines advanced generative AI and machine

local government.

With support for 75 languages, it is also a valuable tool in creating an inclusive and accessible community.

To start a conversation via text message, residents can text "Hello" to 844 30 - PIPER (74737). Piper immediately responds with a short greeting explaining the ways residents can use the service.

If at any time during the interaction a Revere resident needs assistance or help from City staff, they can send in a message with Piper and the appropriate staff member can follow up with them.

The City of Revere is the

learning to handle a wide first municipality in Massa- to information and vital serrange of resident needs. chusetts to adopt Citibot's vices." solution.

> Based in Charleston, SC, Citibot LLC was formed in 2016 with a mission of making cities and counties accessible for all. Bratton Riley, Citibot's co-founder and CEO, was inspired by the evolution of the conversational chatbot and its ability to help governments be more accessible and accountable to every resident.

> "People's expectations of high-quality customer service are ever-increasing," said Riley. "Cities like Revere are leading the way by delivering powerful solutions to maximize efficiency and enhance access

For more information on how Revere is using Piper, (https://www.revere. org/).

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board member and what duties and tasks should and can be performed.

Highlights for the May 7 meeting were:

-- The Disability Policy Consortium (DPC) announced that it is the state budget season, and one of their main areas of focus will be advocacy for affordable, accessible housing;

-- The Newburyport COD discussed that they are looking to purchase two incumbent tricycles to add to the town's ride-share bike program. They are in the process of creating a resource contact document for their community. Lastly, the Institute for Human Centered Design (IHCD) has been working on finishing their Transition & Self-Evaluation plan for the town;

-- The Somerville COD mentioned that they are assessing the city for accessibility by conducting

a walk-around in the community. They will also be taking people in their community with disabilities to a Red Sox game; and

The Melrose COD is planning an event for Disability Pride Month DeCicco presented an

update regarding the second annual All Abilities Day Out at Revere Beach that will take place this summer. He said he has filed the necessary paperwork with DCR and is waiting for confirmation from the DCR for its approval of the date he is seeking, which is Saturday, August 9. The event will take place at the Oak Island Bathhouse.

DeCicco said that steps will be taken to ensure that persons in wheelchairs will have better access to the vendors and other tables by means of mats that will be laid on the sand.

DeCicco informed the

members that Revere Parks and Rec. will be hosting an All-Abilities baseball game on Sunday, June 1, at 1:00 p.m. on the baseball field at Griswold Park, which is the playing field behind St. Mary's Church. Participants may register by email at jduggan@revere.org.

Perno concluded the meeting by reading the monthly reminder:

"The Commission on Disabilities office number is 781-286-8267. Residents can also call Revere 311 directly and speak to their staff Monday through Friday. They will answer most questions, but if they are unable to assist you or if you prefer to talk with the Commission directly, please ask to be transferred to the Disability Office. Please leave a detailed message, and we will respond to you shortly.

"As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if

you would like something discussed or added to our monthly meeting agenda. You can also let us know if you want to discuss any concerns. The Commission is here to help and assist all disabled residents and their families in Revere."

Spanish interpretation is available upon request, 48 business hours in advance. Please contact Asmaa Abou-Fouda at translation@revere.org, 781-286-8100 ext. 20215.

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The next meeting of the COD (via Zoom) will be on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:00

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#### ALEX RHALIMI **PULLS PAPERS**



Alex Rhalimi picked up his nomination papers to run for the newly created Ward 2 School Committee seat. "As a proud resident of Ward 2 for the past two decades, I'm deeply committed to our community and our schools," said Rhalimi. "I'm looking forward to meeting with parents, students, and neighbors across the city to hear your hopes, concerns, and ideas for the future of education in our city."

#### COUNCILLOR KELLEY **PULLS PAPERS**



Revere Councillor-at-Large Michelle Kelley (above) has pulled nomination papers for a councilor-at-large seat, signaling that her campaign for re-election to a second term on the City Council has begun.

#### Please join for a kick-off to Summer fundraising reception Mottolo Post Monday, June 9th 61 Lucia Avenue 5:00pm to 7:00pm Revere, MA 02151 Suggested Contribution Levels: \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 Online Contributions can be made at: https://secure.actblue.com/donate/jg6925 Checks can also be mailed to: CTE Jessica Giannino 14 Sigourney Street Revere, MA 02151 For more information, please email jon@jondaigle.com.

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she has had extensive experience in the alcohol-serving business.

Ward 5 City Councilor Guarino-Sawaya spoke in support of the application. "Ever since Daybelis opened, she has created such a welcoming and vibrant dining space that reflects the rich cultural diversity of our community," said Guarino-Sawaya. "Tulum quickly has become a local favorite offering authentic cuisine and a positive presence along Revere Beach Boulevard. Granting this license will support a small, woman-operated business in its continued growth. She has demonstrated a strong commitment to responsible business practices and community engagement."

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

Next up was a request from Twisted Fate Brewing Suffolk Downs, LLC d/b/a Twisted Fate Brewing, 64 Salt Street, David Pinette, Manager, for a Farmer Brewery Pouring Permit, a Common Victualler license, and an Entertainment license with requested seating of 70 seats inside and 36 seats outside and requested hours from Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m. -11 p.m. and Friday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 1 a.m. The entertainment will consist of a Widescreen Cable TV, Radio, and Vocal/ Instrumental Music.

Mr. Pinette presented the application. The permit is necessary to allow him to both brew and pour his beer product. There were no opponents.Occena noted that this is the first request in the city for a Farmer Brewery Pouring Permit and the commissioners unanimously approved the application.

The Association of Islamic Charitable Projects presented an application for a 1-day Common Victualler and Entertainment license to be exercised at Griswold Park on Sunday, June 8, from 12 p.m.-5 p.m. for a festival celebrating Eid with an expected attendance of

Sarah Nahhas presented the application to the com-

is TIPS-certified, noted that mission. She explained that the event has been held at different locations in the past, but this year her group will be holding the event on the playing fields at Griswold Park (also known as St. Mary's Field). She said the event will be a family-friendly event with a bouncy house and similar entertainment.

> There were no opponents and the commission unanimously approved the application.

The Revere Arabic Community also requested a 1-day Common Victualler and Entertainment license to be exercised at Fredericks Park on Saturday, June 14, from 1 p.m. -4 p.m. for a festival celebrating Eid with an expected attendance

of 100. Asmaa Abou-Fouda presented the application. She explained to the commission that the celebration will be partnering with the City of Revere and is open to all residents. The festivities will begin after the graduation of the Arabic Language and Culture weekend school at the Beachmont School. There will be activities and games for children.

There were no opponents the commissioners unanimously approved the application.

The commission held a discussion with Charles Delpidio, the manager of Wonderland Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Oceanside Events Center 1290 North Shore Road, regarding his request for a reduction in the city-imposed security measures.

Mr. Delpidio explained that he had a discussion with Deputy Fire Chief Paul Cheever with regard to the requirement of a Fire Department detail. Mr. Delpidio explained that his cost for details for a firefighter and two police officers, as well as a detail officer in the adjacent MBTA parking garage, has become prohibitivly expensive when the main ballroom (which has a capacity of 1100 persons) is not in use. He noted that in addition to the details, he has his own team of four se-

curity personnel. Delpidio asked for a reduction in the number of required details, suggesting that there be one police officer instead of two when only the facility's smaller rooms (which hold 300 and 600 persons) are being used.

However, Occena questioned whether these are "small rooms" and noted that there had been two incidents last fall. In addition, Police Lieut Sean Randall adamantly was opposed to having only one police officer on the premises.

"We've worked the ballroom for years and where we're at now is the bare minimum," said Randall. "With the summer coming, now is not the time to start lowering details."

Deputy Fire Chief Cheever spoke about the situation and said that the Fire Dept. will insist on having a fire detail when the main ballroom is open. However, once the establishment has its new "crowd managers" certified to handle the two smaller rooms, a Fire Dept. detail will not be needed when only those rooms are being used.

Cheever noted that the Revere Fire Dept. has been making a run to the establishment every two weeks for various reasons over the past few months.

After Selevitch suggested that the police details be reduced, Occena made a motion for a 60-day trial period that would allow the business to reduce the detail from two officers to one officer in the smaller rooms if the business knows ahead of time that there will be a small crowd in the range of 100 persons, but must cancel the second officer no later than two hours prior to the start of the event.

The commissioners held a continuation of a hearing with MFRP Corp., d/,b/a The Squire, 604 Squire Road, Peter DePesa, manager, regarding the "failure to provide adequate security, resulting in multiple violent attacks on patrons," that occured in January.

The commission had sought a security plan from the Squire at its last meeting. The Squire no longer uses police details and now employs a security company for which the commissioners had requested an operations plan.

"We've reviewed the security plan and if it is followed, it would seem that it would work," said Selevitch. DePesa noted that the security firm provides eight personnel for 75 patrons.

However, Occena focused on a recent incident in which there were allegations of an assault and a robbery of a handbag in the parking lot to which the security personnel did not respond.

"I think this security plan is just a lot of fluff and boilerplate," Occena said. "I see here a pattern of systematic neglect and indifference to public safety. I'm prepared to issue a proposal that would significantly reflect what has been going on at the Squire."

Occena then proposed any one of three actions that the commission could take: Suspending the entertainment license in its entirety for 60 days; rolling back the hours to 12 a.m.; or placing the Squire on a probationary period for 90

"But I certainly do not want to sit back and watch something more significant happen," Occena added.

Both Monroy and Selevitch suggested that a probationary period would be appropriate "to allow the security plan to unfold and see how it goes," said Selevitch. "If something happens and someone gets seriously hurt, it's on us for failing to act and I want you to understand that we will have no problem rolling back your

Selevitch then made a motion that the commission will review the situation and the new plan in 60 days, though if there are any incidents in the meantime, the commission will bring the matter forward sooner.

The commissioners approved the motion.

The next hearing pertained to Lupita Revere, LLC, d/b/a Lupita Restaurant, 111 Shirley Avenue, Erasmo A. Guevara, manager, into allegations of "disruptions of the public safety and order, service to

intoxicated patrons, violation of license closing rules, and violation of on-premises license law."

Atty. James Cipoletta appeared on behalf of Lupita's. Selevitch noted that the hours had been rolled back last year because of similar incidents, but the commission then restored the hours at the request of the owner because steps had been taken to remedy the situation.

"We took him at his word and gave him back his hours," said Selevicth. "But now we are receiving reports of people congregating out front and patrons drinking inside the premises after 2:00 a.m., which is totally unacceptable and a clear violation of the license."

Selevitch also noted that one of the contingencies that the commission had put into place was the requirement of a detail officer on weekends and busy nights, but there was no detail officer on duty that night.

Cipoletta responded that Lupita's has details on Fridays and Saturdays, but the day in question was a Sunday.

Occena asked why intoxicated patrons are being allowed to exit the bar with drinks in their hands, to which Cipoletta responded that there was no indication that those involved in the incident in question were intoxicated. Occena also queried why patrons are being allowed to enter at 1:25 a.m. and why the DJ is still playing music after 1:30.

Monroy further noted

that according to the police report, 20 or so patrons were observed being inside after 2:00 a.m., though a representative from the establishment stated that patrons are being herded out before 2:00 a.m.

In the end, the commission took no action, but adopted a motion offered by Occena that Lupita's be placed on a 90-day probationary period and that a detail officer be required on busy Sunday nights in addition to Fridays and Saturdays.

"If there are any further reports, you'll be back here before 90 days," said Sele-

The commission received the following communications this past month:

1. Notification from the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) of approval of a change of manager for Colwen Management, Inc. d/b/a Staybridge Suites/ Holiday Inn Express – Re-

2. Notification from the ABCC of approval of a Wine, Malt, Cordials/Liqueurs Restaurant license for Urban Nbold Restaurant Consultant Corporation d/b/a El Zarzal.

3. Notification from the ABCC of approval of a Wine, Malt, Cordials/Liqueurs Restaurant license for Perros Paisas Revere Corp. d/b/a Perros Paisas.

The next meeting of the commission is set for June





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#### SEN. LYDIA EDWARDS HOSTS MEMORIAL DAY BRUNCH

Sen. Lydia Edwards hosted the second annual Memorial Day Brunch May 23 at Beachmont VFW.

Edwards led the community and city officials in honoring U.S. military personnel who died in service to their country.

Rabbi Benjamin Flax, Mass. Army National Guard Chaplain, delivered the invocation.

"We gather this morning in solemn remembrance, grateful for lives lived with courage and mindful of the cost of our freedom," said Flax. "We come not only to mourn them, but to honor them by how we live."

Sen. Edwards, Judge Advocate General in the Mass. Army National Guard, read a list of military personnel who bravely served their

country.

Edwards told the gathering, "I want to thank all of the veterans, the families of the veterans, having been an Air Force brat myself - it's a special service that the loved ones also serve. When the father, the mother, the brother, the sister go to join the Army or any form of service, it's a whole family committed to the service and it's a whole family that's often times experiencing the loss."

The event was again a tremendous success, drawing many residents from Revere and neighboring communities to an impressive tribute for those who served their country in battle, and their proud families.



Sen. Lydia Edwards welcomes Supreme Judicial Court Clerk Allison Cartwright to the Memorial Day Brunch May 23 at Beachmont VFW.



East Boston amateur baseball legend Steven Walsh, his father, Vietnam War Veteran Paul Walsh, Beachmont VFW Post Quartermaster Steve Ashman, and Vietnam War Veteran Pat Caruso, Lifetime Member of Beachmont VFW Post.



School JROTC stand adjacently to the "Table For One" at the Memorial Day Brunch.



Sen. Lydia Edwards thanks Senior Army Instructor, Major (Ret.) Deborah Bowker, for her leadership of the Revere High School JROTC, who participated in the ceremonies at the Memorial Day Brunch.



Sen. Lydia Edwards and Saber Abougalala, owner of The Good Diner, who was the caterer for the Memorial Day Brunch.



Saber Abougalala is assisted at the breakfast buffet table by representatives of Sen. Lydia Edwards Office, intern Sumaiyah Sukh, intern Sidney Wilson, and East Boston Liaison Yami na Lachmi.



State Sen. Lydia Edwards, Judge Advocate General, Mass. Army National Guard, and Rabbi Benjamin Flax, Mass. Army National

Beachmont VFW Post Quartermaster Steve Ashman, Sen. Lydia Edwards, and Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata.



Victoria Fabbo continues to showcase healthy seasonal recipes every month. In the exciting new episode of "Fabulous Foods," Victoria Fabbo is joined by special guest Chef Mai Nguyen, a celebrated pastry chef in the Boston area known for her delicious desserts. Victoria and Chef Mai whip up the perfect springtime macaroons with a blueberry buttercream filling. Watch on the Community Channel or on YouTube to follow along as they prepare this delightful treat together and make it at home yourself!

In Episode 2 of "All About Nonprofits," Judie VanKooiman, Nonprofit Liaison of the Revere Chamber of Commerce and Founder of Those Who Can, For Those In Need, is joined by Nicole O'Brien, Founder and Executive Director of Ruth's Way for Women. Nicole shares what inspired her to start this nonprofit and talks about the programs and support they offer. This is an inspiring conversation focused on empowering and supporting women on their journey to recovery and independence. "All About Nonprofits" is currently a monthly program playing on the Community Channel. Since it is produced in partnership with RTV, it is also posted to view on RevereTV's YouTube page.

Revere Youth Baseball and Softball starts off the season each year with a parade from Disalvo Park by the Whelan School to Griswold Park by St. Mary's Parish. This parade was held last weekend and RevereTV captured some sights and sounds of the event. Hundreds of children and their families attended both the parade and the celebration afterwards. Watch it now on the Community Channel and YouTube.

On May 9th, 2025, Revere High School Hosted its Annual Rock Ensemble. This year, there were three bands performing at this extra long concert event. The concert is now playing on the Community Channel almost nightly and includes performances by the Rumney Marsh Percussion Ensemble, the Revere High School Pop Ensemble, and the Revere High School Rock Ensemble. This year, the Rock Ensemble chose to focus on the music library of Santana. You can also enjoy this concert at your convenience on YouTube.

RevereTV was present at the City of Revere's Memorial Day Ceremony at McMackin Veterans Memorial Park on Broadway. The keynote speaker this year was Maj. Deborah A. Bowker. Many local veterans and city officials were there for the ceremony although it was open to the public for the whole community to come together. Watch replays of RTV's live event coverage on the Community Channel and YouTube. The Community Channel is 8 and 1072 on Comcast and 3 and 614 on RCN.

As always, tune in to RTV GOV for all of the city's government meetings. RTV GOV is channel 9 on Comcast and channels 13 and 613 on RCN. The current replay rotation includes the Revere City Council, Commission on Disabilities, Affordable Housing Board of Trustees, Traffic Commission, Planning Board, License Commission, and Revere Board of Health. All meetings stream live on RTV GOV and YouTube.



Sen. Lydia Edwards and Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe.



**Revere City Council Upcoming Meeting** Schedule June 2025

Monday, June 2, 2025 5:00PM | Zoning

Monday, June 2, 2025 **6:00PM** | City Council Meeting

Thursday, June 5, 2025 9:00AM | Ways & Means FY26 Budget Hearings **Tuesday, June 10, 2025** 

9:00AM | Ways & Means FY26 Budget Hearings Monday, June 16, 2025

**5:00PM** | Legislative Affairs

Monday, June 23, 2025 **5:00PM** | Committee of the Whole

Monday, June 23, 2025 **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.

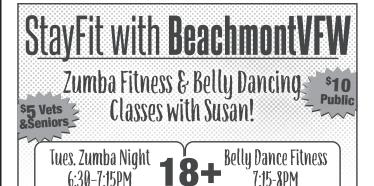
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Sen. Lydia Edwards and Boston Police Capt. Dean Bickerton.



District Director for Sen. Lydia Edwards' Office, Manuela Villa Gomez, Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe, Sen. Lydia Edwards, and Aide to the Mayor, Rose Burns.



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#### SEN. LYDIA EDWARDS HOSTS MEMORIAL DAY BRUNCH



School Committeeman Anthony Caggiano, School Committeeman John Kingston, Supreme Judicial Court of Suffolk County Clerk Allison Cartwright, Ward 4 Councillor Paul Argenzio, Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, Sen. Lydia Edwards, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, City Council President Marc Silvestri, Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, Mayor Patrick Keefe, and Rep. Jeff Turco.



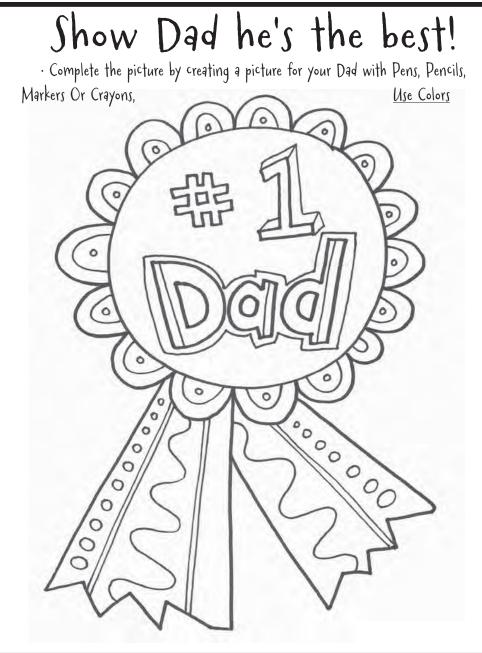
From left, Eduardo Moreno Mendez, (Chief of Staff to Sen. Lydia Edwards), Gabriela Ramirez (Deputy Chief of Staff to Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata), Manuela Villa Gomez (District Director), Sumaiyah Sukh (Intern), Sen. Lydia Edwards, Sidney Wilson (Intern), Yamina Lachmi (East Boston Liaison), and Kyle Fields (Legislative Fellows, Sen. Lyda Edwards).



Sen. Lydia Edwards (center) and guests at the Memorial Day Brunch, (from left) Julia Dello lacono, Kathy Pacitto, Dolores Urciuoli, Joni Giarla, Becky Swope, and Patty Miller.



Revere High School Senior Army Instructor, Major (Ret.) Deborah Bowker and the Revere High School JROTC, assembled outside the Beachmont VFW Post.





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#### SSGT. JAMES J. HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL GLOW GALLERY 2025

the James Hill Middle School art program opened its yearlong project of "glow art" featuring an under the sea format.

Students invited their families in to view the proj-

As the school year ends ect, when they picked their students up from school, but last week Superintendent of Revere Public Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly met with the art department for a special viewing of the project.



Artist and Fifth-Grader Isaac Santos Artica with his Moray eel in the under the sea exhibit.



Enjoying the "glow" artwork under black light, Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly looks over the sea turtle part of the exhibit.



SSGT. James J. Hill Middle School Art Teachers, Kirsten Guiffrida and Jennifer Surman. These educators took on the yearlong project with the students that showed an interest in art.



RPS Art Teacher Kirsten Guiffrida with 5th graders, both going onto the RMA in the fall, Alaa Mehdi and Isaac Santos Artica.



At the Hill Middle School Glow 2025 Exhibit, Kelly Williams, Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly, Kirsten Giuffrida, Nancy Martel, and Jennifer Surman.

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#### **LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS**

#### HALEY MCDONOUGH NAMED TO SNHU **DEAN'S LIST**

Haley McDonough of Revere (02151) has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's Spring 2025 Dean's List. The spring terms run from January to May.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 for the reporting term are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

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"Most Innovative" regional universities by U.S. News & World Report and one of the fastest-growing universities in the country, SNHU is committed to expanding access to high quality, affordable pathways that meet the needs of each learner.

#### **SNHU ANNOUNCES** PRESIDENT'S LIST

It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Spring 2025 President's List. The spring terms run from January to May.

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#### REVERE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025 SENIOR PROM

Photos by Marianne Salza

Revere High School (RHS) Class of 2025 - de-

Student Council President Endurance Nkeh -- celebrated its prom on May 20 at the

scribed as "resilient" by Danversport Yacht Club. taking pictures with friends, school in the middle of showed our resilience be-Board members agreed that they looked forward to an evening of relaxing, eating,

grade, and were in high the past two years really means so much to us."

and dancing the night away. Covid, as well. Despite cause we worked so hard," "We had Covid in 7th the challenges we faced, said Endurance. "Tonight



Lea Douchette, Jordan Martelli, Sarah Bruno, Ana Kalliavas, Gemma Stamatopoulas, Caleigh Joyce, and Francesca Reed.



Student Council members: Alex Gracias, Aadrita Rahman, Naomi Tadele, Kayliana Rofriguez, Endurance Nkeh, Nicole Da Silva, Isha Hassan, Isabella Pedersen, and Kathy Granados.



Lesly Mendoza and Karla Bonilla.



Biancajayne Gesek and Nicholas Aguilar.



Victorya Santos and Yechiel Ramirez.



Angie Garcia Ramos and Isabella Betancur.



Kristel Alvarez, Kawan Dias, Hind El Khalfaoui, Laura Pereira, and Giovanni Yuong.



Albert Santana, Johan Arias, Hiba Elbzyouy, Omar Stour, and Douaa Elkawakibi.



Jocelyn Lazo, Breanna Rodriguez, and Daniela Santana.



Rayan Elmzabi and Emmie Fish.



Santo Martell, Susie Nicolas, Moriah Ayala, and Santiago Agamez.



Student Council Board of Directors: Naomi Tadele, Treasurer, Kayliana Rodriguez, Secretary, Endurance Nkeh, President, Nicole Da Silva, Vice President, Erta Ismahili, Creative Director, and Kathy Granados, Lead **Board Member.** 



Sophia Scafati and Antonio Milito.



Geronimo Grisales, Leonardo Mayorga, Matheus Freitas, Daniel Flores, Miguel Vanegas, and Krsna Samon.

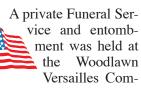


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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Guy S. Zaccone

Past Grand Knight and Fourth Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council #179



munity Mausoleum, for Guy S. Zaccone who died on Tuesday, May 20th at Palm Gardens of Orlando following a long illness, he was 94 years old.

Guy was born on July 25, 1929, to his late dear parents Anthony Zaccone and Rose (Melchione) Zaccone. He was just one of two children raised in Chelsea. Guy was educated in Chelsea Public Schools and was a graduate of Chelsea High School.

Guy began working for the Middlesex Sheet Metal Co. in Revere. He then enlisted in the United States Airforce during the Korean Conflict and proudly served his country. He was honorably discharged after five years of service as an Airman First Class, earning the Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal and the National Defense Medal.

He returned home and in 1954, he married his wife, Annette (Malta). The couple remained in Revere and together they had two sons.

Guy was a loving husband and father. He worked extremely hard and tirelessly to provide for his family. He opened his very own laundry service in Revere, and it was called "Speedy We Wash." He owned and operated the business for over 25 years.

Both he and his wife began sharing their time between Revere and Florida, then relocated to Flor-



ida permanently. He was a past Grand Knight and Fourth Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council #179.

The beloved husband of 61 years of the late Annette M. (Malta) Zaccone, he was the loving father of Stephen Zaccone and his wife, Elaine of Orlando, Florida and Mark Zaccone of Revere: the cherished grandfather of Alexandra LoRe of Orlando, Florida, Stephen Zaccone, Jr. of Winter Garden, Florida, Nicholas Zaccone and his wife, Leanna of Groveland, Florida and Justin Zaccone of Orlando, Florida; the adored great grandfather of Nicco, Audriana and Dante LoRe and Juliana and Jenna Zaccone and the dear brother of the late Catherine Culbreath. Donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

To send online condolences, please visit www. vertucciosmithvazza.com. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals.

#### Barbara E. Foulds

Longtime waitress at China Roma and Revere School Crossing Guard

Barbara Ellen (Flynn) Foulds passed away on May 20th, 2025 at the age of 71 following a three-year long battle with lung cancer which she fought both bravely and with dignity.

She was a lifelong resident of Revere and the beloved daughter of the late William P. Flynn and Elizabeth M. (LaFay) Flynn; the loving and devoted mother to her daughter Jill (Foulds) Cyr and her partner, Gary Berman of Boston and the adored Gram of Kathryn Cyr and Jonathan Cvr and his partner, Kayley Gibbons; cherished sister of Ret. Revere Police Sgt. Daniel L. Flynn and Lois, Patricia Gallucci, Michael Flynn, Carolyn Day and Ron, Nancy Flynn and the late William C. Flynn, Ann Marie Bostrom and Timothy Flynn.

There would never be any complaining or asking 'why me' when Barbara became sick. When asked how she was doing it? She would simply reply ... "I just tell myself other people have things worse than me". She was a longtime waitress at China Roma in Revere and worked as a Crossing Guard for Revere Public Schools.

Barbara was truly a kind and caring person, generous to a fault. She would give you her last dollar if needed. Her proudest accomplishment was being Jill's mother and Gram to her beloved Katie and Jonathan.

She was tough when she had to be but a soft marsh-



mallow most of the time. She had her own ups and downs throughout her life and as a result she made every effort to teach her grandchildren to avoid the pitfalls in life that they might encounter.

Barbara showed them, by example, her daily strength of facing the battles of alcoholism and cancer and yet living daily with appreciation and gratefulness.

Her genuine love for her family was endless and knew no bounds, she

welcomed her role as the "quiet sister' speaking no evil. All her nieces and nephews just being together brought her so much joy, not to mention slipping them some money from time to time, money she didn't have.

Barbara was a loyal and dedicated friend and made sure to make the effort to keep in touch with all she called her friend. To her family and friends, she will be dearly missed.

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#### James "Jim" Mantia

He led a life marked by humility, generosity and steadfast devotion to those he held dear

James "Jim" P. Mantia of Revere, passed away peacefully on May 22, 2025, at the age of 89. He was born on November 4, 1935, to his loving parents, Anthony and Josephine Mantia of Winthrop. Jimmy led a life marked by humility, generosity, and steadfast devotion to those he held dear.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Teddi, and son, James "Jamie" P. Mantia II. Jimmy is survived by his daughters: Doreen Steele of Revere, Jodi Mantia of Revere and Deanne Mantia of East Boston; daughter-in-law Farrah Forte of Saugus; grandchildren: Nicole and Marc Silvestri of Revere, Jennifer and Justin Hill of Winthrop, Chris and Steph Steele of Hingham, BJ and Alex Neil of Salem, NH, Brandon Neil and Danielle Soden of Peabody, Lorenzo, Tia, and Luke Keegan of Saugus; and great grandchildren: Sienna and Saige Silvestri, Isla Hill, Theresa, Lucy, and Emma Steele, Griffin Neil and Christopher and Cartier

Jimmy was in the fish business all of his life until retirement. He will be remembered for his love of



family and proudly being called "Grampy" by all of his grandchildren and great grandchildren. "Jimmy Fish" also loved playing craps, poker and keeping track of the day's betting lines – for entertainment purposes only.

A visitation was held Monday at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere. The Funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Anthony's Church in Revere with a visitation hour prior at the Funeral Home. . Interment followed at Puritan Lawn Cemetery in Peabody. In lieu of flowers, we encourage you to donate to the Kaplan Family Hospice House of Danvers. For the guestbook, please visit www.buonfiglio.com.

#### Patricia A. Powers

Community activist, she represented East Boston on several East Boston/Boston boards

Funeral Services were held on Tuesday, May 27th in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals for Patricia A. (Giarle) Powers, who died on Wednesday, May 21st at the Tufts Medical Center in Boston following a stroke.

She was 83 years old. Patricia (Patti) was born

on August 20, 1941, in Boston to her late parents, Louis and Loretta (Cosco) Giarle. She was one of five children raised in East Boston. Patti attended Girls Trade School of Boston where she perfected her art for sewing.

A lifelong resident of East Boston, Patti worked for the Boston Police Department as a crossing guard when her children were young. Since 1985, Patti also held a

Neighborhood Sector seat of the Board of Directors of ABCD representing the East Boston area on the East Boston Area Planning Action Council (APAC) Advisory Board and as a member of the Elder Service and the Neighborhood

Programs/Planning Evaluation (NPPE).

She was the devoted and loving mother of the late Barry A. Powers and the late Stephanie L. Powers and the cherished grandmother of Charles Zuffante, IV; the dear sister of Linda Greco, and her late husband. Phil, Lori Silva and her husband, Anthony, Gary Giarle, and the late Richard L. Giarle. Patti is survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, grandnieces and grandnephews who, were much loved and cherished. She remained extremely



close with her family and had many friends.

Patti was known for being fun, loving and kind. Patti also had many cherished friends and extended family. She will be greatly missed.

Donations may be made in her name to Action for Boston Community

Development, Inc. (ABCD),178 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111.

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# Dept. of Correction lowers age for a correction officer to 19

Special to the Journal

The Massachusetts Department of Correction is proud to announce a change in its hiring policy, lowering the minimum age requirement to become a Correction Officer from 21 to 19. The adjustment is part of a broader effort to expand recruitment, attract younger candidates, and establish a new pathway for individuals interested in a career in public service.

The newly established minimum appointment age was implemented to attract motivated candidates who are eager to serve their communities. By expanding the candidate pool, the Department is creating new opportunities for young adults to serve their communities and explore long-term careers in corrections.

"Reducing the minimum age to become a Correction Officer will allow us to recruit more dedicated, highly skilled workers to these important roles," said Governor Maura Healey. "This change will help us build the next generation of corrections professionals to deliver on our goals of protecting public safety and supporting rehabilitation."

"The change in the minimum appointment age allows the DOC to address staffing needs while also cultivating a future workforce dedicated to upholding our core values," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "I encourage anyone who is eligible and interested in making a positive impact on public safety to consider pursuing this rewarding opportunity."

"Expanding the candidate pool enhances our ability to

inform individuals about the rewarding career opportunities available at the Massachusetts Department of Correction," said Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy. "It is essential that we adapt and find innovative ways to recruit more professionals into our public safety system."

"The implementation of this age of appointment gives the DOC the flexibility to bring in more qualified applicants while providing them with early access to a fulfilling career in corrections," said DOC Commissioner Shawn Jenkins. "The Massachusetts Department of Correction appreciates working collaboratively with Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union and their support as we work together to increase our professional workforce."

Program participants will receive training at the DOC's Recruit Academy, exposure to correctional facility operations, and mentorship from experienced professionals. This initiative's goal is to create a steady pipeline of qualified and committed individuals ready to carry out the DOC's vital mission and uphold the highest standards of service.

The DOC is actively recruiting motivated individuals to join its dedicated team. The DOC offers competitive salaries, comprehensive benefits, ongoing professional development, and the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Individuals interested in pursuing a rewarding career in corrections are encouraged to call 1-866-WRK-4DOC.

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#### **NEWS FROM AROUND** THE REGION

#### **CITY AND POLICE OFFICIALS ADDRESS** ICE ACTIVITY IN **CHELSEA**

CHELSEA — The national battle over immigration policies has taken a sizable human toll in Chelsea.

Over the past month, actions by federal immigration officials in the city have made headlines across the state. Three weeks ago, three teens were arrested by ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) officials outside the Chelsea police department as they were released by police after being detained for allegedly firing pellet guns.

On Mother's Day, a Chelsea father was arrested by ICE officials after leaving church. Video obtained by Telemundo showed ICE agents forcibly removing the man from his car and wrestling him to the ground while several family members were still in the car.

While those stories and videos made the local newscasts, several city officials stated that many Chelsea residents remain fearful every day about what will happen to them or their family members because of their immigration status.

The actions have also raised questions from residents about the role the police department, state, and local officials play in enforcing immigration policies. As a sanctuary city, Chelsea police do not enforce ICE policies or assist them with arrests, however, they cannot obstruct immigration actions.

Last week, the police department released a statement seeking to clarify its role when federal law enforcement agencies, including ICE, are present at the station while releasing individuals from its custody.

"The Chelsea Police Department does not participate in civil immigration enforcement and does not notify federal agencies of an individual's release," the statement read. "All persons taken into custody on criminal charges are, by law, fingerprinted, and those fingerprints are immediately entered into state and federal databases as part of the standard booking process. These databases automatically generate alerts to relevant federal law enforcement agencies if the individual is of interest to them."

However, the statement continued, when a federal agency is physically present at the time of an individual's release, the sole role of the Chelsea Police Department is to coordinate a safe and orderly transfer to ensure the safety of all parties involved.

"We also affirm our legal obligations under Massachusetts law," police stated. "As established in Commonwealth v. Lunn (2017), local law enforcement does not have the authority to detain individuals solely on the basis of federal immigration detainers or non-judicial (civil or administrative) warrants. Once an individual has met the legal conditions for release under state law, they are free to leave immediately from the custody of the Chelsea Police Department."

The department further stated that it is firmly committed to conducting all operations in a manner that is lawful, professional, and respectful of the rights of every person it serves, regardless of immigration status.

On Monday, police and city officials, including Police Chief Keith Houghton and City Manager Fidel Maltez took part in a com-

munity meeting at local social justice nonprofit La Colaborativa to discuss community response to the immigration activity in Chelsea.

In addition to its status as a sanctuary city, Chelsea has also filed a lawsuit, along with Somerville, against the Trump administration over its national immigration policies.

"We know that Chelsea police need to be focused on keeping Chelsea safe, we know that the community needs to trust the police, and we know that when the community doesn't trust Chelsea police, it makes our community less safe," said Maltez. "Folks are not going to report cases of domestic violence, residents are not going to seek help when they need help. We have worked really hard at establishing the relationship that we have with the community and Chelsea police; our police officers are from Chelsea, our firefighters are from Chelsea, we know that the way that you do policing is through direct community engagement and building community together."

With the recent federal immigration actions in the city, Maltez said it can be hard for residents to differentiate the federal officers from local police.

"Folks are afraid, they see a police vehicle - are they going to come for me for my immigration status?" he said.

Maltez pointed to the ICE detainment of the teens outside of the police station several weeks ago as an incident that can erode the trust between police and community.

"Something we shared (at the community meeting Monday) is that unfortunately, there is nothing Chelsea police can do to stop the enforcement of immigration," said Maltez. "We cannot hinder or stop or divert an operation from ICE. If we were to do that, we would be held criminally responsible for obstructing the investigation, and unfortunately, that is not something that we can afford to do as a city, nor can we afford as a police department."

Last week, U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts Leah Foley released a statement claiming that "interference with ICE operations around Massachusetts has been disturbing, to say the least."

Foley said any alleged interference poses significant public and officer safety

"It is conduct that should be vilified rather than glorified," Foley claimed. "I will not stand idly by if any public official, public safety officer, organization or private citizen acts in a manner that criminally obstructs or impedes ICE operations. The United States Attorney's Office, along with our federal partners, will investigate any violations of federal law and pursue charges that are warranted by such activity."

Maltez said the city is caught in a hard spot when it comes to ensuring the safety of the community.

"We don't support these (federal immigration) activities," Maltez said. "We certainly think that the way that ICE is going about their business is not fair, it is not just. I personally wish there was more that we can do."

City Councillor-at-Large Roberto Jimenez-Rivera agreed that the city needs to be getting out the word about how the local police department is limited in what it can do in response to ICE activity in Chelsea.

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Sgt. Sean Delehanty (brother of Mike Delehanty) and Meghan and Michael Delehanty (son and daughter of Michael) with the check that will be distributed to WHS graduates in June. Michael Delehanty was a long-time Winthrop Police Association President, and two scholarships are awarded to WHS seniors in his name each year.

"I think right now, the biggest piece at the local level is that there is a lot of uncertainty for folks and I think we need to find a way for the city's message to reach more people, so that people can understand the differences between federal agents more broadly, because it is not just immigration at this point, and Chelsea police," said Jimenez-Rivera.

The councillor said there should be an understanding of what it means when the city and police mean when they state that they do not collaborate with ICE.

"Not collaborating does not mean that there are no interactions," Jimenez-Rivera said. "I think that is an area where we need to identify how we can better or best communicate that to people so that (they) can be well informed about what all this actually means and how they can avoid putting themselves where they or their families could be at

Jimenez-Rivera was one of several local elected officials who signed a letter addressed to Governor Maura Healey to advocate for greater action counteracting ICE on the state level. The letter amplifies the demands of LUCE Immigrant Justice Network of Massachusetts, a coalition of immigrant-led, grassroots organizations who have been on the ground supporting the most vulnerable with rapid response to ICE operations throughout the Commonwealth.

Other Chelsea elected officials who signed the letter include councilors Tanairi Garcia and Lisa Santagate and school committee members Sarah Elizabeth Neville, Jonathan Gomez-Pereira, and Kati Cabral, Chelsea School Committee.

"Federal agents have confirmed an organized escalation across the Commonwealth during the month of May, which will result in too many of our neighbors being kidnapped by this rogue agency," the letter to Healey states. "We need you to commit to your promises and stand by our immigrant communities now to intervene to stop ICE and their systemic abuses of due process and basic human rights in Massachusetts."

Elected officials from Acton-Boxborough, Waltham, and Worcester also signed the letter.

In a recent interview with Boston25 News, Trump border czar stated that there is "no sensitive location policy anymore. We did away with that. There is no sanctuary for criminal threats or public safety threats or national security threats, no sanctuary."

While Healey has stated

that Massachusetts is not a sanctuary state, in the interview, Homan said he gets reports every week of public safety threats released from counties within that state without notifying ICE, adding that he would return to Massachusetts and ICE would "flood the zone."

Jimenez-Rivera said the governor and the administration should be doing more to protect the state, and that when they stand by, cities like Chelsea and Worcester take the brunt of the punishment from ICE and other federal agencies.

"I think that the state needs to do better," said JImenez-Rivera. now, Chelsea is taking it to the face, and we're bearing the brunt of this, and it is because we have chosen a set of policies that protect our residents in a way that the state has chosen not to. It has been incredibly frustrating to see the administration essentially stay quiet at a time when our community needs to to stand up.

"If we were to pass policy at the state level that mirrored policy we have done at the local level, we would have some of that pressure taken off of us and other communities."

#### **CANDIDATES PULL PAPERS** FOR EVERETT'S 2025 MUNICIPAL **ELECTION**

**EVERETT** - Councilor-at-Large Katy Rogers walked into the City Clerk's office at City Hall last Thursday, May 15, exactly at 8 a.m. Rogers affixed her signature to the official list for nomination papers and thus began the 2025 municipal election process.

Rogers, who collected 325 signatures over the weekend to be certified as a candidate, said, "I'm committed to continued accessibility to residents, and I am looking forward to meeting new people this election cycle. My focus remains on my dedication to Everett."

Minutes later, Ward 1 Councilor Wayne Matewsky entered the office, informing City Clerk Sergio Cornelio that he would be pulling nomination papers for the councilor-at-large

"I'm looking forward to running citywide again," said Matewsky.

Peter A. Napolitano also showed up on the first day nomination papers became available. Napolitano, who previously served 17 years on the City Council including as council president, will be running for the Ward 1 seat currently held by Matewsky.

"I've lived in Ward 1 my

**GRANT** EAST BOSTON - Save the Harbor/Save the Bay granted over \$300,000 to community and youth serving organizations on Tuesday, May 6, for the 2025 Better Beaches Program

whole life, almost 68 years,'

said Napolitano. "I'm retir-

ing from full time at City

Hall (as assistant city clerk).

I've spent so much time on

the City Council and had

such an impact on the city

over the years, I want to fin-

ish my political career serv-

ing the people of Everett in

Ward 3 Councilor Antho-

"I'm excited to seek

ny DiPierro pulled his nom-

ination papers for the 2025

re-election as Ward Three's

City Councilor," said DiP-

ierro. "Over the years,

we've built the relation-

ships necessary to ensure

Ward Three gets the very

best from city government.

Our team is looking forward

to hitting the campaign trail

to hear our residents' con-

cerns, hopes, and dreams for

Everett's future, and I hope

to remain as Ward Three's

voice of reason on the City

Councilor-at-Large Mi-

chael Marchese also arrived

within the first hour to ob-

tain his nomination papers.

Marchese said his first term

"I've served with four

mayors (John McCarthy,

David Ragucci, John Han-

lon and Carlo DeMaria),"

said Marchese. "I'm hoping

to continue my service on

bring his competitiveness as

a high-level college football

player into what shapes as an

exciting councilor-at-large,

with Matewsky's entry

and possibly that of former

Ward 3 Councilor Darren

Costa. Marchese was a star

linebacker, football captain,

and NFL prospect in the Di-

vision 1 University of New

Hampshire program where

he played for legendary

Marchese will certainly

the Council."

in office was in 1996.

another capacity."

election.

Council."

Partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. East Boston will receive \$36,000 in grants to host free beach events and programs all summer long.

cilor Al Lattanzi was also

on hand for the first day of

nomination paper distri-

bution. Lattanzi has been

a regular presence at City

Council meetings and a

highly visible attendee at

city events for the past 18

months. Lattanzi will be

running for the Ward 6 seat.

doors throughout the ward,"

said Lattanzi. "I look for-

ward to an exciting cam-

**EASTIE BEACHES** 

RECEIVE \$36K IN

paign."

"I will be knocking on

Better Beaches works with locals to create free events on area beaches which are designed to connect people with Boston Harbor's beaches. The program places strong focus on breaking down barriers for people of color, people who don't speak English as a first language, and people with disabilities. Funds for the program come from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and from Save the Harbor's annual JetBlue Shamrock Splash fundrais-

"This year has brought many new challenges facing organizations like Save the Harbor," said Chris Mancini, executive director of Save The Harbor. "So we're particularly grateful to be sharing these spectacular urban natural resources in a state that understands the value of our 40-years of work."

"We are especially grateful for our long partnership with the Massachusetts DCR," Mancini continued. "Not to mention the stalwart support from the Healey/ Driscoll administration and the Metropolitan Beaches Commission, as well as from JetBlue and all of our corporate partners whose support allows us to activate our beaches all summer long."

The 80 groups receiving grants this year are based in all the metropolitan beachfront and waterfront communities, as well as a dozen surrounding cities and towns. The grantees will bring free programming all summer long to13 beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere,

coach Bill Bowes. Former Ward 6 Coun-See REGION Page 15



#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

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#### CHELSEA DISTRICT COURT HOLDS RECOVERY COURT GRADUATION CEREMONY

Chelsea Recovery Court Graduation Ceremony was held May 20 at the Courthouse.

Assistant Clerk First Magistrate Edward F. O'Neil III was the master of ceremonies.

The Honorable Justice Matthew J. Machera delivered the official welcoming remarks.

Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Kimberly Budd congratulated the graduates on their completion of the Chelsea-based program that has become a statewide model of excellence

Chelsea District Court's in helping individuals with substance abuse disorders through judicial supervision.

> **Assistant Chief Probation** Officer Janelle Reppucci also proudly offered congratulatory remarks to the graduates. WCVB

TV Channel Five's highly respected reporter Ted Wayman was the guest speaker. Wayman spoke about his personal battle in overcoming addiction earlier in his life.

Justice Matthew J. Machera and Probation Office Leah Holland presented certificates to the graduates.



**Chelsea Recovery Court graduate Daniel Joseph Hurley and District Court Chief Justice Stacey Fortes.** 



**WCVB Channel 5 news reporter Ted** Wayman, who was the guest speaker, and State Rep. Jeff Turco.



AngelMarie DiNunzio and Stacey Fortuna-



The Honorable Justice Matthew J. Machera presents a Chelsea District Court Recovery Court graduation certificate to Daniel Joseph Hurley.



Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts Kimberly Budd, Chief Justice of the Trial Court Heidi Brieger, Clerk Magistrate Kevin Murphy, and Trial Court Administrator Thomas Ambrosino.



City Manager Fidel Maltez, Chief Justice Kimberly Budd, Trial Court Administrator Thomas Ambrosino, and State Rep. Jeff Turco.



Assistant Clerk Magistrate James Dwyer. Assistant Clerk Magistrate Karen Dever, Assistant Clerk Magistrate Carmine DiRuzza, Chief Justice Kimberly Budd, and First Assistant Clerk Magistrate Edward F. O'Neil III.



Probation Officer Leah Holland (left) and Chelsea District Court First Justice Matthew J. Machera (right) congratulate graduates Joseph Edward Mahoney Jr. and Daniel Joseph Hurley on their successful completion of the Chelsea Recovery Court program.



Assistant Chief Probation Officer Janelle Reppucci, Assistant Suffolk County District Attorney Amelia Singh, and Chief Probation Officer Jessica Iovanna.

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#### Lynn woman charged with fraud for using stolen identity to rent apartment facing several fraud related offenses for signing an apartment lease using a stolen identity is due back in court on June 24 for discovery compliance. Cecilia Guiterrez, 28, was

A Lynn woman who is charged with identity fraud, forgery of a document, and obtaining goods by false pretense on March 27 in Chelsea District Court.

> On November 6, 2024, Revere Police met with a property owner who reported his company was the victim of identity fraud. The victim reported that on June 16, 2024, an unknown woman, later identified as Gutierrez, contacted his company regarding an apartment lease. On June 18, Gutierrez came to the property to view the apartment, according to the Suffolk County District Attorney's office. That same day, Gutierrez submitted an application bearing a different name along with supporting documents including a driver's license and pay stubs bearing the same name, according to the DA's office.

proved, and a leasing agreement was entered into on July 1.

Sometime after moving into the apartment, Gutierrez sub-leased the apartment to another person and the two lived together as roommates.

On about August 15, the leasing company was made aware of the fraudulent transaction. A \$2,500 rent check written by Gutierrez under her assumed name bounced, according to the DA's office.

The DA's office further stated that on August 30, the leasing company contacted the victim of the stolen identity, who was completely unaware of the transaction and did not know any of the parties involved.

The total amount of money that was lost was ap-

The application was approximately \$5,000 which included one month's worth of rent and the cost to prepare the unit for rental.

With financial exploitation and abuse on the rise, Suffolk County District Attorney Hayden recently launched the Suffolk County Fraud Fighters, a multi-agency effort to help residents, particularly older adults, recognize common scams and signs of financial fraud.

"While we commonly see fraud attempts aimed at individuals, we're also very aware of people using schemes, including false identification, to target companies and institutions," said Hayden. "The technology and methods are always evolving but the basic motive-unjust enrichment or theft of product-remains the same."







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# **Sports**

#### ROUNDUP

#### RHS SOFTBALL TEAM RALLIES FOR **COME-FROM-BEHIND WIN** OVER LC; AWAITS **TOURNEY FOE**

The Revere High softball team overcame a 6-1 deficit in the seventh inning to force extra innings and then scored four runs in the top

of the eighth to post a 10-6 victory at Lynn Classical last Wednesday.

Frankie Reed paced the Lady Patriots with a memorable 5-for-5 performance at the plate, including two doubles, one of which came in the five-run seventh.

Classical, which the third-place team in the Greater Boston League, had

defeated the Lady Patriots, 11-7, in their first meeting this season and appeared on their way to a victory in the rematch with a comfortable 6-1 advantage entering the top of the seventh.

However, coach Megan O'Donnell's crew refused to quit. After an LC error allowed in a run, Shayna Smith tripled home a teammate, Reed doubled in another, Jordan Martelli singled for an RBI, and Zizi Kalliavas delivered a clutch base hit for the game-tying RBI.

The Lady Patriots struck for four more markers in the eighth, highlighted by a home run by Caleigh Joyce and another RBI base hit by Martellli, Jordan's third hit

Danni Hope Randall earned the win with a gutsy performance. Danni allowed seven hits and three earned runs over the eight-inning route, but shut down the

and third ribbie of the day.

teammates to launch their come-from-behind effort. Coach Megan O'Don-

Lady Rams in the crucial

final innings to allow her

nell's crew wrapped up their regular season on the holiday against Whittier Tech, a 16-2 team that is ranked 20th in Division 1 and that defeated Revere 12-0 in their first meeting this sea-

The Lady Patriots put up a much-stronger effort in the rematch thanks primarily to

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#### FLAG FOOTBALL SENIOR DAY



Seniors--Coach Becky Coots, Nisrin Sekkat, Captain Reem Alhyari, Captain Amy Juarez, Marwa Riad, Lindsay Pineda, Mikayla Hayes, Katelyn Giovanniello.



Captains, Sarah Lechheb, Reem Alhyari, Coach Becky Coots, Amy Juarez, Olivia Rupp.



Senior Katelyn Giovanniello with grandparents Carl & Mencia and friends Isabella, Jacob, Kayli-



Senior Captain Reem Alhyari with mom Zoritsa, sister Balquees and friends Aolany & Bry.



Senior Mikayla Hayes - with mom Amanda and sister Anya.



Senior Nisrin Sekkat- friends Sonia & Valentina.



Senior Lindsay Pineda - parents Claudia & Rudis and boyfriend



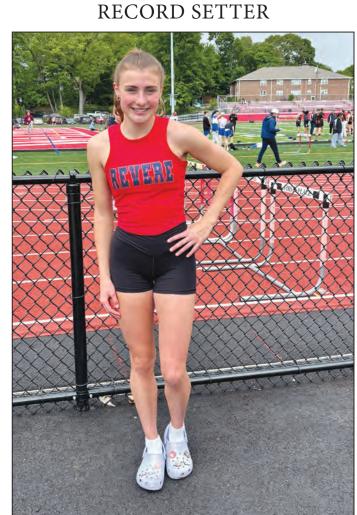
Senior Captain Amy Cantarero Juarez with parents Maggie & Jose and brother Jacob.



Senior Marwa Riad with Coach Becky Coots and Coach Justin



The Lady Patriot Flag Football Team with Head Coach Becky Coots and Asst. Coach Justin Pezzuto with their new uniforms. Back Row, Coach Becky Coots, Saniya Jean-Louis, Mia Canela, Lenira Raimundo, Imani Zuniga, Nisrin Sekkat, Paula Lopez, Mikayla Hayes, Olivia Rupp, Coach Justin Pezzuto. Middle Row--Hayley Peralta, Captain Sarah Lechheb, Captain Amy Juarez, Marwa Riad, Malak Kardady, Sara Sbai, Valeria Sepulveda Quintero. Front Row--Captain Reem Alhyari, Lindsay Pineda, Katelyn Giovanni-



Revere High track standout Gemma Stamatopoulos set a school record in the 400m dash this past weekend at the Joe Tranchita Last Chance to Qualify meet on Saturday. Gemma ran a 63.63, which topped the old record of 63.7 (hand-timed) set in 2010 by Taren Kershaw. This is the third individual record set by Gemma this year, the other two having come in the indoor season this past winter in the 600 and 800 indoor events. "Gemma's athletic ability and tenacity never cease to amaze me," said RHS head coach Racquel MacDonald-Ciambelli.

#### Roundup // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 13

the pitching of Randall, who Patriots was Larry Claudio, fanned 10 opponents while allowing four runs and six

However, the Revere offense could muster only three hits (by Anna Doucette, Shavna Smith, and Frankie Reed) and one run (Doucette had the RBI) against Whittier's ace hurler, Kaylee Habib (who has more than 500 career strikeouts and who will be playing softball at Wentworth), who recorded 18 strikeouts on the day.

The Lady Patriots, who finished at 13-7 overall and 9-5 in the GBL (good for fourth place), now await word of their seeding and first-round opponent in the upcoming MIAA Division 1 state softball tournament. The announcement of the pairings is scheduled for today (Wednesday).

#### **VOLLEYBALL TEAM** WINS FINALE; **AWAITS TOURNEY OPPONENT**

The Revere High boys volleyball team concluded an outstanding regular season with a 3-1 victory over Greater Boston League (GBL) rival Lynn Classical, 3-1, this past Thursday.

Leading the way for the

who registered 23 assists and 11 kills, Chris Choc Chavez (18 assists), Kawan Dias (14 kills), and Juan Perez (11 kills).

Coach Lianne Mimmo's squad, which finished in second place in the GBL with an 11-3 record behind first-place Malden (with whom Revere split their two matches), now awaits word of their final seeding and opening-round opponent in the upcoming MIAA Division 1 state tournament.

The Patriots, who compiled an overall record of 15-5, were ranked 29th in the D-1 power ratings as of this past Friday, which means that Revere will host a tourney game in the preliminary round.

The announcement of the tourney schedule was expected by today after the Journal's deadline.

#### RHS FLAG **FOOTBALL QUALIFIES** FOR PLAYOFFS

Coach Becky Coots and the fledgling Revere High flag football team will embark on its quest to play at Gillette Stadium when the Lady Patriots play in the opening round of the post-season state tourney this coming Monday.

Revere completed a successful first-ever season by splitting its final four games of the regular season to finish with an 8-6 record. Last Monday the team celebrated the program's first-ever Senior Night in appropriate fashion with a pair of strong performances.

In the first game of the evening against Barntable, the Lady Patriots started fast, scoring the first touchdown to take a quick lead. Senior Marwa Riad, who had four catches on the evening, scored the

Sophomore captain Sarah Lechheb, who had two receptions, scored Revere's second touchdown. Senior offensive starter Nisrin Sekkat made two catches, including a crucial two-point conversion that proved the difference in Revere's 14-12 victory. Junior captain Olivia Rupp also had a reception.

"Our MVP of the game was our pass rusher, junior Valeria Sepulveda Quintero, who had an outstanding four sacks and five crucial flag pulls," said Coots. "Senior captains Amy Juarez and Reem Alhyari each had two flag pulls."

Monday's second contest with Essex Tech proved to

be a battle. Essex grabbed a 13-0 lead at the half, but the Lady Patriots came out on fire after the intermission. A pick-6 by freshman Lenira Raimundo lit the Revere comeback and Sekkat turned in another huge effort with three receptions and a touchdown.

Lechheb made three big catches, including an extra point, that gave Revere a 14-13 lead with two minutes to go. Unfortunately, a costly penalty pushed Essex down the field and with less than 20 seconds left, Essex scored a TD to win the game, 19-14.

"Sometimes a loss tells you more than a win," said Coots. "I am beyond proud of our team for coming back and putting us in the game. It was a wire-towire game."

Two days later the Lady Patriots took on archrival Winthrop and Cambridge in their final two regular-season contests.

In the encounter with Winthrop, though Revere got on the scoreboard first and the score was tied at the half, the Lady Patriots fell to the Lady Vikings, 33-12. Junior Valery Echavarria Jimenez had a touchdown and three receptions and sophomore Sarah Lechheb finished the game with a TD and four catches. Junior captain Olivia Rupp also grabbed a reception. Junior Valeria Sepulveda Quintero came on strong again with three flag pulls and two huge sacks.

"Unfortunately, some missed opportunities for us allowed Winthrop to take control of the game," noted Coots.

However, Revere bounced back in its next game with a big 36-0 win over Cambridge. "Our second game was our comeback game," noted Coots. "We came out very strong."

Senior Marwa Riad shined in this game with a very impressive three touchdowns and four catches. Sophomore Sarah Lechheb scored a pair of TDs and snared three receptions.

"Our defense showed up in this game," said Coots. "Senior captain Reem Alhyari had four huge flag pulls and freshman Imani Zuniga and Sanyia Jean-Louis each had two flag pulls."

The Lady Patriots ended their inaugural campaign with an 8-6-1 record to finish in seventh place in the division and a spot in the playoffs.

"I told the girls that ending our first regular season with a record of 8-6-1 is

something to be very proud of," said Coots. "A lot of the teams we played have been playing together for years. I am beyond proud of what we have accomplished in our first season."

Revere plays in the Northeast Division of the New England Patriots Girls High School Flag Football League. The league has grown from eight teams two years ago to 56 this season, spreading across the state with four divisions.

#### RHS GIRLS TENNIS PLAYS AT MALDEN **TODAY IN TOURNEY**

The Revere High girls tennis team, which concluded its regular season with an 8-5 record, was scheduled to play at Malden today (Wednesday) in an opening-round match of the MIAA Division 1 state tennis tournament.

The Lady Patriots enter the tourney as the 46th-ranked team in D-1. while Malden, which finished the season with a 12-2 record and was undefeated in the Greater Boston League with an 11-0 mark, is ranked 29th.

The teams met twice during the season with the Lady Golden Tornadoes prevailing on both occasions by scores of 5-0.

#### **RHS SPORTS** Through the Years

10 years ago May 13, 2015

The Revere High girls softball team rounded the halfway point of the season by picking up three victories this past week to improve their record to 9-2 overall and solidify their claim to a second straight Northeastern Conference Large Division title. The Lady Patriots opened their week by handily taking the measure of a good Winthrop was called after five innings

because of the mercy rule. Senior captain Kristina Stella staked her claim to the designation as the NEC's most valuable in-the-field player with a powerful 4-for-5 performance that included a double, a triple, and five RBI. Junior Ally Hinojosa had two hits with a double and an RBI and junior Gabrielle Cammaratta had two hits with a triple. Senior captain Sabrina Palermo, another Lady Patriteam, 14-2, in a contest that ot for league MVP honors, spun a three-hitter and fanned

eight Winthrop opponents in her five innings of work. Two days later the Lady Patriots trekked to Beverly for an evening contest with the Lady Panthers, who at the time were in second place in the NEC North just one game behind Revere. The Lady Patriots also found their groove at the plate, cutting a 5-1 Beverly lead in half with two runs in the fourth before forging ahead with four markers in the fifth and tacking on four more in the seventh for a

12-5 finale. Leading the way at the plate for Revere were Hinojosa (two hits, a double, and four RBI), Julianna Cecere (a double and two RBI), and Victoria Correia (two hits and two runs scored). Beverly made the return trip to Revere two days later, but this time Palermo and the Revere defense were ready to play ball from the opening pitch. Although Sabrina fanned only four Lady Panthers, she allowed just one hit -aslapper up the middle — and her teammates' detense was impeccable en route to a 4-0 conquest that all but eliminated Beverly from contention

for the NEC North title. The Revere girls track team went the distance — literally and figuratively - in their meet with Lynn English last week to earn a 75-61 victory. RHS head coach Antonio LaBruna noted that his team outscored English 24-3 in the 800, mile, and twomile events. Freshman Hannah Fitzpatrick, a freshman, won the mile easily (in a time of 6:16), which kept her legs fresh for the 800 where she ran a 2:40, only eight seconds off the Revere school record time, to win another first place. Tricia Cheever ran two gutsy races and finished with PRs (personal records) in both the mile (6:30, good for third place) and 800 (2:51, good for second place). Suellen Guerreiro won the two mile run in 13:48 to complete the Revere sweep of first place in the three distance events. In addition to Fitzpatrick, Catherine Elam was a double-winner for Revere, capturing the long jump with a PR leap of 14'-4" and the triple jump with a final landing of 30'-5". Catherine also took second place in the 400 dash in 69.7 to finish with a team-high 13 points on the

day. Lady Patriot tracksters Janine So and Rachel Shanbar were crowned Northeastern Conference champions in their respective events at the annual NEC Freshman/Sophomore meet held Saturday, May 2. Janine won the javelin with a throw of and Rachel captured the discus.

The ever-improving Revere High girls lacrosse team broke into the win column in a big way this

past week with a pair of triumphs over Winthrop and Malden. The Lady Patriots had dropped their two previous contests this season to arch rival Winthrop, but the third time proved the charm for coach Karen Atkinson's squad, as they hung close the entire game and then pulled out the victory in the final minute. Leading the way in the scoring department for Revere were senior captains Ayah Omar and Leangcheng Chrea, who

scored three goals each. The Revere High baseball team overcame a 4-0 deficit with big rallies in the sixth and seventh innings to come away with a 10-4 victory over Winthrop last Monday. The Patriots tied the score with four tallies in the sixth. Dan Murphy got things going for the Patriots when he walked, stole second, and then raced home on a base hit by John DeSimone. A walk and a base hit by captain Jake D'Angelo brought around DeSimone and successive base hits by Hector and Oscar Zavala delivered two more runs. Revere then became the beneficiary of three successive walks in the seventh, setting the table for D'Angelo, who belted a triple and scored himself on a Winthrop throwing error that propelled the Patriots into an 8-4 advantage that proved the difference. Revere starting pitcher Max Anderson once again delivered a superb performance on the mound with a route-going performance in which he yielded just six hits and walked three.

The Revere High School baseball team dedicated its season to legendary baseball coach Al Blasi during an impressive ceremony Monday at Tony Conigliaro Field. Mr. Blasi was the head baseball coach for 42 years, retiring in 2006. Mr. Blasi's teams were known for being fundamentally sound while appreciating the intricacies and joys of the high school baseball experience. Players absorbed his wealth of knowledge, love and respect of the game, and experience as a player and coach. Mr. Blasi died Nov. 8, 2014, following a lengthy illness.

He was 81. Revere teacher

Peter DiGiulio served as master of ceremonies for the program that was held before the Salem-Revere game. Former RHS baseball players Steve Cushing, Brian Hartman and Rob Coppola spoke reverentially about Mr. Blasi's impact on their lives.

#### 20 years ago May 25, 2005

The RHS baseball team kept alive its slim hopes for reaching the state tournament as coach Al Blasi's squad defeated Waltham, 14-10, and Medford, 5-2. The Patriots overcame a 9-3 deficit at Waltham behind the heavy hitting of Owen Lyons (2-5, two runs, RBI), Joe Mercurio (2-3, three RBI), Mark Addesa (3-5, three RBI), and Steve Bagnera (2-3, RBI, three runs). Rick Mastropietro tossed a complete game against Peabody, allowing just one earned run, and stroked a two-run homer.

Coach Joe Nichinello's 9-9 RHS softball team needs one more victory to qualify for the state tournament. In a 4-3 win over Waltham this week, Christina Polsonetti tossed a four-hitter. Nicole Perullo and Polsonetti both had RBI doubles.

Ryan Burke was the lone medal winner for the RHS boys track team at the GBL Meet, taking second place in the mile in 4:45.

#### 30 years ago May 24, 1995

Revere High star pitcher Mike Spinelli struck out 18 Waltham hitters to pace the Patriots to a 3-1 win, snapping a three-game losing streak for the Pats. Coach Al Blasi's squad already has qualified for a state tourney berth for the third year in a

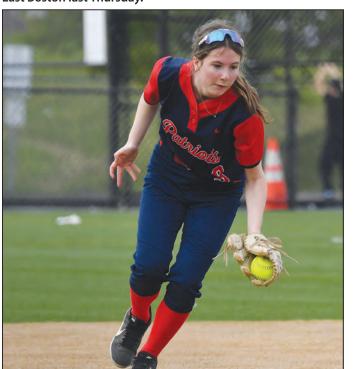
Kelli Hyland scored 15 points to lead the RHS girls track team to a 90-28 win over Everett. Hyland won the javelin with a throw of 65'; the discus with a toss of 67 feet (nine feet better than her closest rival, even though it was the first time she ever had thrown the discus); and the 100 dash in 14.8 seconds.



#### RHS SOFTBALL DEFEATS EASTIE HIGH JETS, 18-4



Lea Doucette crouches and watches a high pitch sail over her head during Revere's 16-run first inning of their 18-4 win at East Boston last Thursday.



Shortstop Anna Doucette scoops up a ground ball.



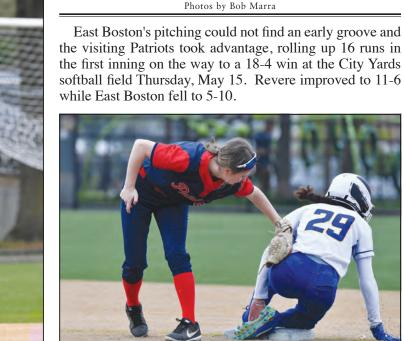
Centerfielder Zizi Kalliavas reaches up and make the catch.



Frankie Reed makes the throw from third base after fielding a ground ball.

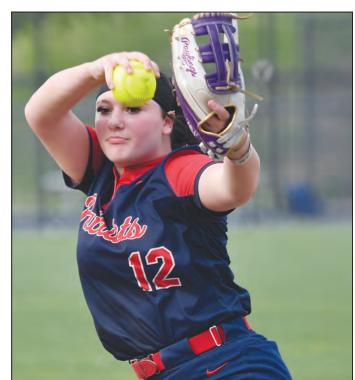


First base player Lea Doucette puts the tag on East Boston's Ashley Baquedano, who was caught in a rundown between first and second base.



Anna Doucette makes the tag but it's too late to stop Eastie's Jordynn Copeland from stealing second base.

Photos by Bob Marra



Pitcher Caleigh Joyce starts her windup with her eyes focused on the plate.



The ball bounces away from Michelle Pineda (11) and Eastie's Jordyn Vasquez slides safely into second base.



a pitch that bounced in the dirt.



Caleigh Joyce (12) tags an East Boston runner.

#### Sports Years // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 12

40 years ago May 22, 1985

The RHS softball team defeated Everett, 4-3, and Peabody, 8-7, this past week. Lori Perry was the winning pitcher in both contests. In the win over Peabody, Gina Anastos delivered a two-run single and Diane Odoardi knocked in the winning run.

The downbeat continued for the RHS baseball team, losers of 10 of their last 11 games, with losses to Somerville, 12-3, and Peabody, 5-4.

60 years ago May 27, 1965 The annual Little League

Carnival is set for next weekend.

#### 70 years ago May 26 1955

The Revere High baseball team defeated Quincy, 1-0, and Lowell, 11-5, this past week. Charlie Goldstein tossed a three-hit shutout in the Quincy victory and then came back in relief to pick up the win in the Lowell contest. Gil Gaff belted a grand slam homer in the Lowell game to break things open for Coach John Capone's squad.



**REVERE** Through the Years

#### 10 years ago May 28, 2015

This past Monday the city solemnly remembered the sacrifice of the men and women in the armed forces. The ceremonies kicked off at 11 a.m. with remarks from elected officials, singing from several local youth groups, and the annual reading of the war dead from Colonial times to the present.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (DOT) announced last week that the Winthrop Avenue Bridge, Route 145, will be closed in both directions during the weekends of May 29-June 1 and June 5-8. In addition. Route 145 will be open but with lane restrictions Monday-Friday, June 1-5. The closures and lane restrictions will allow crews to proceed with bridge demolition and replacement

Former Revere Mayor Tom Ambrosino is one of two finalists being considered for the Chelsea City Manager position. Ambrosino was mayor of Revere from 2000 to 2011, and has been the executive director of the Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) in Boston since leaving the corner of-fice here.

Revere High Valedictorian Danielle Fortuna and Salutatorian David Landeta have both committed to Princeton University this fall to continue their studies.

#### **20 years ago June 1, 2005**

Graduation exercises for the nearly 300 members of the Revere High Class of 2005 are set for next Wednesday in the Roland Merullo Fieldhouse. The class valedictorian is Kathryn Felzani and the salutatorian is Christina Patti. The Class President is James Di-Sabatino.

Senate President Robert Travaglini announced this week that the state budget contains a provision that will allow the city to impose up to a \$10.00 surcharge on car rental customers. It is thought that the windfall for the city will be used to pay for a new police station.

The poor spring weather has delayed the onset of crowds flocking to Revere Beach, although temperatures over Memorial Day weekend finally brought some warmth to the area.

Deputy Fire Chief George Taglieri has announced the arrests of four juveniles on arson charges for setting a fire between two, six-family homes at 172 Hichborn St.

#### 30 years ago May 31, 1995

Graduation exercises for the 188 members of the RHS Class of 1995 are set for tonight at Harry Della Russo Stadium. Michelle Locke is the valedictorian, Michelle Medeiros the salutatorian, and Melyssa Misci the class president. RHS guidance counselor Gerald Battista reports that 70 percent of the grads will be attending either two- or four-year college programs.

School Supt. Wayne LaGue said the School Dept. actively is seeking out non-resident students and will expel them if they are found

A 14 year-old Lynn girl said she was slashed here with a broken bottle and a meat cleaver by three other girls in what police say is a gang-related incident.

U.S. Army Lieut. Col. David Barisano was the keynote speaker at the city's Memorial Day exercises that marked the 50th anniversary of V-E Day.

Revere and State police swept through the Shirley Ave. area and made 15 arrests of individuals on drug-related charges following the sale of crack cocaine to undercover officers.

Mayor Robert Haas and City Auditor Andrew Bisignani said it is likely that the tax rate will increase because the recent revaluation of property has resulted in a decrease in real estate values.

#### ) years ago

40 years ago May 29, 1985

The flaring of tempers once again caused an early adjournment of this week's School Committee meeting. Vice-chairman Charles Moschella, the Acting Chairman in the absence of Mayor George V. Colella, finally gaveled the meeting to an end after several attempts to calm the waters had failed. The principal combatants were committeemen George Caporale and Hal Ford Abrams over the issue of a grievance filed by cafeteria workers. Abrams sought to have the board find in favor of the workers, while Caporale sought to have the matter referred to legal counsel.

Monday's traditional Memorial Day exercises conducted by veterans groups paid tribute to all of the city's war dead in fitting services.

Anthony Padova was installed as the new President of the Patriot Senior Citizens group before more than 100 persons on hand for the occasion.

#### 50 years ago May 28, 1975

A controversy has developed over whether there will be preference for Revere residents at the proposed nine-story, 266-unit elderly housing project to be built at Revere Beach. The project is being built under the auspices of the Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged, Housing for the Elderly, Inc., and the Revere Housing Authority.

Sixth-grade students at the Abraham Lincoln School made a trip to Boston to present Gov. Michael Dukakis with mementos of the Battle of Chelsea Creek upon the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the battle, which is acknowledged as the first naval battle of the Revolutionary War.

Walter McKenna is the new Commander of Beachmont Post 6712, VFW.

#### 60 years ago June 3, 1965

Election Commission Secretary Cecil Deskin reports that state census figures show that the city's population has grown by 2314 residents since 1960 to a new total of 42,394.

The 42 members of the Immaculate Conception High class of 1965, adorned in the school colors of blue and gold, received their diplomas in graduation exercises Sunday evening in the church. The Rev. Paul L. Mortiz of Cathedral High School was the principal speaker.

The 557 members of the Revere High Class of 1965 will receive their diplomas next Thursday morning at Paul Revere Stadium.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. O'Connell, pastor of Immaculate Conception parish since 1949, will observe the golden jubilee of his ordination into the priesthood with a special Mass Sunday.

A large crowd of residents and visitors lined the city's streets for the annual Memorial Day parade on May 30. Traditional exercises also were held in Ye Olde Rumney Marsh Burial Ground.

Initial registration for the first grade in the public schools for the coming school year shows a total of 557 children, a decline of 35 students from last year.

A gunman with an accomplice waiting in a car robbed the shared office of the Mystic Valley Gas and Mass. Electric companies Tuesday afternoon, making off with several thousand dollars.

Wilfred S. Cuthbertson has been re-elected the President of the Chelsea Savings Bank. William C. Andrew was chosen for the post of Executive Vice President.

#### 70 years ago June 2, 1955

The most recent crime statistics from the FBI reveal that the crime rate in Revere is well below the national average. A total of

481 crimes were reported to Revere police in 1954, a rate of 1270 offenses per 100,000 of population, which is far better than the average rate of 1900 crimes per 100,000 population in cities of more than 25,000 persons. Revere's rate also was better than the average for smaller cities, which showed 1846 crimes per 100,000 of population.

Graduation exercises for

the 310 members of the RHS Class of 1955 are set for Paul Revere Stadium next Thursday morning. The outdoor exercises will mark a departure from the usual indoor graduation ceremony at the Revere Theatre. The guest speaker will be Rabbi Henry Scherer of Brooklyn, N.Y., who is set to assume the spiritual leadership of Temple B'nai Israel in Beachmont this summer. Graduation day will climax the nine days of Class Day and other events for the grads, including a formal dance for the seniors, hosted by the junior class, at the Oceanview Ballroom featuring Buddy Mitchell and his Orchestra; a day trip to Whalom Park; graduation rehearsal; and Class Day exercises. There also will be a dance for the seniors after graduation.

The 44 graduates of the Immaculate Conception High Class of 1955 received their diplomas Sunday. Guest speaker was Walter L. Flaherty, director of radio and television apostolate for the Archdiocese of Boston. Florence Nancy Marino received the award for having achieved the highest scholastic average for four years.

City residents are mourning the passing of Mrs. Susan Gillis, 80, the wife of former mayor Laurence Gillis and mother of Police Chief Colin A.W. Gillis.

The Rev. J. Howard Acton, pastor of the First Methodist Church for the past two years, has been ordained an Elder of the Church by Bishop John Wesley Lord.

The combined music

clubs of the city's junior high schools put together their first-ever concert at City Hall last week. Mrs. Helen N. O'Connor was the director of the event.

#### 80 years ago May 31, 1945

The War Dept. announced this week that S/Sgt. Robert P. Cuozzo, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oreste Cuozzo of 8 Lowell Rd., has been reported as missing in action over France as of April 14. S/Sgt. Cuozzo was a turret gunner on a heavy bombardment plane.

Thousands of residents lined the streets from No. Shore Rd. and Shirley Ave. to Paul Revere Stadium to watch the Memorial Day parade on May 30. The parade featured hundreds of marchers in three divisions with six bands.

Lieut. Richard B. Jacobs was cited with the Silver Star for bravery at the Maritime exercises held in Boston last week. Jacobs was one of the last three men to leave the doomed aircraft carrier Princeton which was battered by Japanese planes in the Philippines and then sunk intentionally by torpedoes from a U.S. destroyer. Jacobs was part of a last-ditch salvage crew to save the ship.

An inter-faith unity billboard has been placed at Revere Beach opposite the Crescent Gardens, the easternmost point of a campaign that will stretch across the country. Rabbi Harry Landes, Rev. Thomas J. Brennan (representing the city's four Catholic parishes), and Rev. Lloyd Dean (representing the city's Protestant denominations) were the guest speakers at the dedication ceremonies. It is hoped that the 300,000 persons who visit Revere Beach each week will read the billboard's message of cooperation and mutual helpfulness among men of all religious faiths and backgrounds.

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Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull.

Making East Boston's beaches better, La Colaborativa will return to host

"Expanding access to public spaces like our beaches is one of the ways Save the Harbor makes our whole state stronger through community engagement and awareness of harbor and beach ecology," said MBC Co-Chair Rep. Adrian Madaro. "It's inspiring how Better Beaches expands engagement with ecology by creating personal connections to our fantastic state beaches."

"Not to mention making the beaches a blast all summer!" added Maya Smith, Better Beaches Program Director. "We've seen first-hand how much a good time can maintain and expand ongoing public investment in the Harbor. The lively Better Beaches activations are at the core of that success."

Since the program began, Better Beaches has supported over 2,100 free events and programs and leveraged over \$7.3 million in state and local investment in our beachfront and waterfront communities. Meanwhile, this year's Better Beaches events are expected to draw nearly 500,000 attendees to over 200 free events and programs.

Making East Boston's beaches better, La Colaborativa will return to host free public events, along with several other groups partnered with Save The Harbor's Better Beaches program.

These free events happen almost every day of the summer, right into the fall. Some of the Better Beaches events happening on Constitution Beach, including East Boston Beach Bash, Beach: Ability 2025, Abilities Dance Boston Dance Performance, and Boating Safety and Learn to Kayak, among several others.

among several others.

"I am particularly excited by the diversity of the Better Beaches Partners," said DCR Commissioner Brian Arrigo. "Working with Save the Harbor to improve the life and access to the waterfront for all visitors to our neighborhood shows how vibrant a community we have in the Commonwealth and how DCR's beaches can welcome and serve everybody."

Better Beaches programming kicks off in late May and continues through mid-September. You can find full listings of about 200 summer events at www. SaveTheHarbor.org.

#### WPD OFFICER GUY PRATHER CREDITED WITH SAVING HIKER

WINTHROP - Officer Guy Prather is being recognized by the Winthrop Police Department for saving a man's life while off-duty and on vacation in Spain.

On Monday, April 28, at approximately 9:45 a.m. Central European Time, Prather and his wife were on vacation in Arcade, Spain, and hiking when Prather noticed a man who had fallen and was bleeding from his forehead.

Prather approached to provide assistance, and realized the man was in cardiac arrest and had no pulse. He immediately began CPR, providing chest compressions for approximately six minutes until paramedics arrived to take over care. Even after paramedics arrived, Prather continued to assist with a bag valve mask until additional personnel arrived.

The patient regained a pulse and was eventually taken to a local hospital by medical helicopter. Prather heard nothing further about the man's condition that day and continued on his hike with his wife after providing assistance.

A day later, in the town of

Caldas de Reis, Prather and his wife were approached outside a cafe by two men who were friends of the victim. They informed Prather that the patient had survived, and that doctors said the early application of CPR likely saved his life.

Prather and his wife then learned that the man he helped save — Alberto — was part of a group of hikers who were participating in the same multi-day hike to the Cathedral of Saint James in Santiago.

Prather and the friends of

the victim exchanged contact information, and days later, met up in Santiago, Spain, where the patient and his wife were able to join and meet them.

Prather and his wife were able to spend two days in Spain with the patient, Alberto, and his wife Ana, and had dinner with them and some friends.

"This was a truly incredible, emotional experience," said Prather. "I feel lucky to have been in the right place at the right time to help."

Friends of the victim who

work as police in Spain provided Prather with two badges from their departments, and Prather now intends to mail them Winthrop Police patches.

Prather will soon receive an official commendation from Winthrop Police for his actions.

"I couldn't be more proud of Officer Prather, and the example that he sets for others," said Police Chief John Goodwin. "Even off-duty, our officers remain committed to saving lives and helping others."

#### **Real Estate Transfers**

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#### **LEAD COLUMN**



**REVVING UP** FOR NOVEMBER

The election season is starting to heat up. In recent weeks, city council candidate Brian Arrigo (above) and School Committee member Dan Maguire (below) have held fundraisers. Photos, PAGES 12-13.



SMART KIDS

Honors, honors and more honors: The Whelan and Lincoln School honor rolls, plus a list of Immaculate Conception's academic award winners are in this week's Schools and Education section. PAGES 10-11.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Ambrosino urges lawmakers to change property tax rules for telecommunication companies. PAGE 17.

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WATER RATES

# Raw sewerage

BY SETH DANIEL seth@reverejournal.com

It's never been more expensive to flush the toilet or turn on the water faucet, and it's about ready to get even more expensive.

City councillors and Mayor Tom Ambrosino set water and sewer rates Monday night that will reflect a 13.5 percent increase over last year's rates - which rose 15 percent.

It's enough to make you want to dig a well. This year's increases are the result of everincreasing assessments from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA), which Another 13.5 percent increase on tap

have increased steadily over the last 10 years because of the Boston Harbor cleanup and an aggressive water system improvement plan. Likewise, rates rose higher than expected this year because of the city's extensive spending plan for water line improvements, sewer cleaning and new Department of Public Works (DPW) equipment - projects that started this spring and will continue for the next few years.

Essentially, the first bill for the program has arrived on the city's steps.

"While much of this work occurs underground and is invisible to the public, it will have a beneficial impact on all neighborhoods by eliminating water breaks, minimizing sewer backups and lessening flooding during heavy rain events," the mayor wrote in a letter to the City Council.

The MWRA is set today, Wednesday, to officially vote its system-wide rates, which are expected to increase by 4.2 percent.

Ria Convery, a spokesperson for the MWRA,

**EDUCATION** 

#### 100 years later, the ride continues at **Paul Revere School**

BY SETH DANIEL seth@reverejournal.com

The walls of the 100-year-old Paul Revere School are made of plaster, not the typical painted cinder block walls you would see in a more modern school.

The corridors are cozy and reminiscent of a time when school was a little less regimented and neighborhoods a little more tightly-knit. The entire building, in fact, echoes with memories that don't exist in new school buildings.

The Paul Revere School has seen several generations of Revere children pass through its halls, and last Wednesday, past and present collided in the school's official centennial (100 year) ceremony.

"In the early days, kids walked to this school or maybe even rode on a

horse, or if you had the means...maybe you came in a Stanley Steamer," said Paul Revere Principal Nick Quarantiello. "The Paul Revere School has seen two world wars, manned flight, the exploration of space and the moon, radio, television, satellites in space, cell phones, and now, computers."

The school has also seen many a change in the neighborhood. Some 100 years ago, the wooden schoolhouse with a handful of students increased its enrollment tenfold overnight as throngs of Italian, Jewish and Irish immigrants quickly made the neighborhood into a sort of suburban immigrant enclave.

Now the old school is covered with brick, and a brick addition has been attached to it, while a gym was added



Principal Nick Quarantiello of the Paul Revere School stands next to an old bust of Paul Revere while holding a citation from the Revere City Council celebrating the school's 100th anniversary. A celebration last Wednesday officially marked the turning point.

#### AT OVERLOOK RIDGE

#### Dynamite blast causes quite a stir but no serious injuries

BY SETH DANIEL seth@reverejournal.com

A dynamite blast at part of Roseland's Overlook Ridge project in North Revere got away from workers last Tuesday, sending large rocks flying into cars and busting through one building

still under construction.

The unfortunate accident caused two minor injuries and totaled 22 personal vehicles, including the fire detail vehicle. It also sent rocks careening from the hill with such force that they actually burst through the brick veneer exterior of one apartment building in the last stages of construction. The blasting work has been ongoing for

about a year as part of Roseland's project to carve out the old stone quarry in order to erect several large luxury apartment buildings.

There was some blasting occurring on the face of the hill beyond 15 Overlook Drive Tuesday afternoon," said Fire Chief Eugene

LAW AND ORDER

#### Imbert found guilty in Lion's Den murder case

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

A man charged with fatally shooting a 29-year-old father of two and wounding another man in the parking lot of a Revere nightclub was found guilty Monday of first-degree murder, attempted murder, and illegal firearm possession, Suffolk County District Attorney Daniel F. Conley announced.

After two days of deliberations, a Suffolk Superior Court jury convicted Ludner "Vega" Imbert, 25, of Somerville, of first-degree murder for the death of Vaughn Skinner Jr. of East Boston outside the Lion's Den nightclub down the Beach on the night of April 3, 2004. Imbert was also convicted of armed assault with intent to murder for the nonfatal shooting that night of Skinner's friend, Corey Crump, and unlawful possession of a firearm.

According to testimony introduced by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Bradl, Skinner was visiting the Lion's Den with friends when he stepped on the shoes of one of Imbert's friends on his way to the men's room. That perceived slight sparked a physical altercation between the victim's and defendant's friends, prompting club owners and doormen to empty the Ocean Avenue establishment.

Evidence presented during the two-week trial showed that Imbert, once outside, retrieved a .38 caliber revolver from his car in the club's fenced-in parking lot. Witnesses testified that Imbert used the gun to shoot Skinner once, and then approached him as he lay wounded on the ground and fired at him again.

The evidence also showed that Imbert chased Skinner's friend, Crump, across the parking lot, firing at him and wounding him in the back. Those wounds were not fatal.

Though first-degree murder carries a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole, Superior Court Judge Thomas E. Connolly delayed sentencing until Tuesday morning, when the victim's father and common-law wife are expected to provide victim impact statements to the

"Ludner Imbert took a son from his father and a father from his children that April night," Conley said. "We thank the jury for rendering this just verdict.

This year, we take a look back twenty years to the biggest headlines of 2005.

We hope you enjoy the reprinting of these Page 1 stories.

#### CITY OF REVERE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The City of Revere gathered in solemn remembrance and respectful unity to honor the Americans who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 26 at McMackin Memorial Park.

Members of the Revere Fire and Police Departments, as well as the Revere High School JROTC were present at the commemoration that featured the roll of honor, reading aloud the names of residents who lost their lives in service to our nation.

"Today is a day of honor to pause and remember the brave men and women of our armed forces who gave their lives for our country. Their sacrifice is the reason we live in freedom," began Officer Joseph Singer, Revere Police Department, who served two tours in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. "We are gathered here as a community to reflect on their legacy, to say their names, and to ensure their service is never forgotten."

In addition to the fallen, Mayor Patrick Keefe acknowledged active-duty and retired military members gathered, the families of soldiers, and volunteers at the Veterans Service Office.

"Their names represent the cost of American freedom and liberty. These freedoms have been defended by the soldiers who have confronted the forces that stood to shatter American ideals," said Mayor Patrick Keefe. "We are our beneficiaries of our soldiers' courage. It is imperative to reflect on their bravery. They've been willing to sacrifice everything in the name or our country's best interest. They've leaned on their courage to wield their fears into something far more powerful: bravery. Bravery is courage in practice"

Representative State Jessica Giannino declared Memorial Day as a "sacred time of reflection," describ-

who died in battle as having shared a common devotion and unwavering resolve.

"This year, the meaning of Memorial Day feels especially profound, as we mark two historic milestones: the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II, and the 50th anniversary of the official conclusion of the Vietnam War," emphasized Giannino. "These anniversaries offer us a powerful lens through which to reflect on the enduring cost of war, and the depth of sacrifice made by generations of Americans."

Keynote speaker, retired Major Deborah A. Bowker, served the US Army for 20 years. Following her military service, the Saugus native has served as the Senior Army Instructor for the Revere High School Army JROTC program for the past 13 years.

Major Bowker discussed the origins of Memorial Day, and its ties to the Civil War, which caused more American deaths than any

ing the men and women other conflict in US history with an estimated 620,000 deaths.

"For every soldier, sailor, airman, and marine, Memorial Day is a somber day to honor the more than 1.3 million American heroes who died in military service

from the American Revolution through the Global War on Terrorism," said Major Bowker. "It's a day to pay homage to the men and women who died while wearing the uniform of this nation you're freely enjoying today. Always remem-

Major Bowker acknowledged the grieving families and communities affected by the loss of servicemembers, and believes their selflessness of spirit should inspire all.



Revere Fire Department Honor Guard.



Councillor Ira Novoselsky, past National Commander, Jewish War Veterans, with Mayor Patrick Keefe, and his wife, Jennifer Keefe.



Revere High School JROTC Honor Guard.



Revere Fire Department Honor Guard.



Revere High School JROTC Honor Guard.



Izabelly Santos, Army cadet, JROTC, singing the "Star Spangled Banner."



Revere High School JROTC Honor Guard.

#### CITY OF REVERE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY



Mayor Patrick Keefe presenting the welcome address.



Master of Ceremonies, Officer Joseph Singer, USMC Combat veteran 2001-2004, Opera-tion Enduring Freedom, and member of the Revere Police Department.



Reverend Tim Bogertman, Pastor, First Congregational Church of Revere, praying for peace and hope.



Revere Police Department Honor Guard.



Revere City Council: Anthony Zambuto, Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Joanne McKenna, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Anthony Cogliandro, Representative Jessica Giannino, Paul Argenzio, and Bob Haas



Nancy Monkiewicz, Denise and Bob Rampelberg.



Members of the Revere Police Department.



Members of the Revere Police Department.



Lillian DeFilippo, Joann Giannino, and Adrienne Maguire.



Frank Sarro, Army National Guard, Jerry Ianniciello, US Navy, Leonard Bonasoro, Army/Marines, and Tom Sullivan, USMC.



Jerry Foley, Vietnam veteran, past Commander Post 61, with Olivia and Rick Freni.



Revere School Committee: Jacqueline Monterroso, Frederick Sannella, Anthony Caggiano, Stacey Bronsdon-Rizzo, John Kingston, and keynote speaker, retired Major Deborah Bowker.

#### FKO secures contract to expand access to affordable afterschool and summer programming

Special to the Journal

For Kids Only Afterschool (FKO) is proud to announce the renewal and expansion of its contracts with the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC), ensuring greater access to high-quality afterschool and summer care for families in need. The newly awarded seven-year contracts includes dedicated funding for families experiencing homelessness, children involved with the Department of Children and Families (DCF), and income-eligible families.

"These contracts represent a tremendous step forward in our mission to ensure every child has access to a safe, enriching afterschool environment," said Deborah Kneeland Keegan, Executive Director of FKO. "By reducing financial barriers, we are providing children with the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive in a safe, supportive community."

Under FKO's new Homeless Contract, 50 spaces are reserved across its program sites for families experiencing homelessness, with no parent fees required. Families in need of these slots can contact Charlene

Marley, Subsidy Manager at cmarley@fkoafterschool. org and provide a referral from their shelter or their child's school. Once all 50 slots are filled, additional families will be placed on a waitlist and may receive support through FKO's Helping Families scholarship program, as funding allows.

FKO's supportive childcare contract has also been renewed for another seven years. This funding ensures that children whose families have an open case with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) receive free Out-of-School Time (OST) care. There is no limit to the number of children who can be served through this contract. Families can access this support by requesting a childcare referral from their DCF Social Worker.

Additionally, FKO's Income Eligible Contract has been renewed and expanded, increasing the number of subsidized childcare slots available to low-income families. To qualify, families must participate in an approved activity such as employment, job training, education, disability, or retirement over age 65 and meet income eligibility guidelines by falling below

50 percent of the state median income, or 85 percent for children with disabilities. Families interested in more information may reach out to Charlene Marley, Subsidy Manager at cmarley@ fkoafterschool.org.

Thanks to the generous contributions from FKO's 2024 Helping Families Gala, FKO has enhanced their scholarship fund to further support families in need. Families who are unable to access an EEC contract due to slots being filled or not meeting qualifications may apply for a Helping Families scholarship. Scholarship funding is limited and will be awarded until funds are fully allocated.

For more information about FKO's financial assistance programs, visit www. fkoafterschool.org or contact Charlene Marley, Subsidy Manager at cmarley@ fkoafterschool.org.

For Kids Only Afterschool (FKO) is a leading provider of high-quality afterschool north of Boston. With over forty years of experience, FKO programs offer safe and nurturing environments where children can learn, grow, and thrive regular beyond school hours.

#### DCR, MAYOR KEEFE MARK THE START OF BEACH SEASON IN REVERE



Despite chilly weather, Mayor Patrick Keefe Jr. (left) and Department of Conservation and Recreation Commissioner Brian Arrigo, joined by State Police and State Environmental Police, officially marked the beginning of beach season at Revere Beach. The Mayor emphasized collaborative efforts for public safety, positive water quality, and upcoming events like the International Sand Sculpting Festival.

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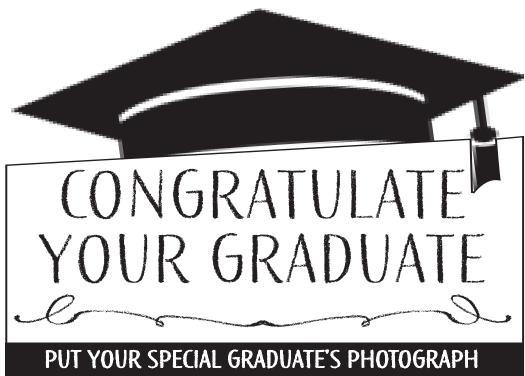
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**Action Emergency** Management Service, Inc. 1087 Broadway Revere, MA 02151 P: 781-286-3900 F: 781-286-3924 Call #: 34282 2015 Toyota RAV-4 White VIN #: 2T3R-FREV1FW384129 PLATE #: 6SX217 (MA) Call #: 34257 2006 Honda Accord Blue VIN #: 1HGC-M568X6A124941 Call #: 34226 2007 Hyundai Santa Fe Grav VIN #: 5NMSH73E47H117236 Call #: 34134 2007 Chevrolet Malibu Blue #: 1G1ZS58F57F298522 PLATE #: 5YGF41 (MA) Call #: 34370

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VIN #: 5FN-

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VIN #: 1GCH-G35U141130607 Call #: 34404 2004 Toyota Highlander Green VIN #: JTEE-P21A240037816 PLATE #: 1KPH92 (MA) Call #: 34425 2002 Honda Civic Black VIN #: 1HGES16592L065618 5/21/25, 5/28/25, 6/4/25

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

C-25-10 **PUBLIC** HEARING NOTICE Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts **General Laws and Section** 17.40.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, June 23, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of 114 Shirley Ave., LLC, 78 Mill Street, Middleton, MA 01949 requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council to raze the existing

non-conforming structures

and construct a five story

mixed used development consisting of seventy-eight residential units and two commercial units at 114 Shirley Avenue, Revere, MA 02151. A copy of the aforemen-

tioned application (C-25-10) 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 to 12:00PM. If unable to attend the public hearing, proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing to amelnik@ revere.org on or before June 17, 2025.

City Clerk 05/21/25, 05/28/25

Attest:

Ashley E. Melnik

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

**LEGAL NOTICE** CITY OF REVERE INVITATION FOR BIDS LINCOLN SCH00L DOORKNOB REPLACEMENT **PROJECT** BID NO: SCH-2025-1004 The City of Revere is soliciting sealed bids to furnish all labor and materials for THE LINCOLN SCHOOL DOORKNOB REPLACEMENT PROJECT for the Revere

Public Schools. The bids

Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, prior to 10:00 A.M., Thursday, June 12, 2025, immediately after which the bids will be opened and read publicly. Specifications may be obtained beginning Thursday, May 29, 2025, electronically from the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, Michael Piccardi at purchasing@revere. org. Revere City Hall office hours are Monday's 8:00AM to 7:00 PM, Tuesday thru Thursday's, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday's 8:00AM to 12:00PM. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "BID FOR THE LINCOLN SCHOOL

will be received at the

submitted to the Office of the Purchasing Agent prior to 10:00 A.M. on June 12, 2025. Each bid submitted to the City of Revere must be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a bid bond, money order, cashier's check, certified check, or treasurer's check, issued by a responsible

bank or trust company, in

the amount of five percent

(5%) of the total value of

DOORKNOB REPLACE-

MENT PROJECT" and be

the bid. Checks must be made payable to the City of Revere. The City of Revere as the awarding authority, may accept any bid or a

portion of a bid, waive any irregularities and/ or formalities, investigate the ability of the vendors to honor a bid, select a vendor who does not submit the lowest bid and award all contracts as shall be considered in the best interest of the City of It is the policy of the City of Revere to take positive steps to maximize the utilization of minority business enterprises in all activities administered by this agency. No bidder may withdraw their bid within thirty (30) business days after the actual date of the opening thereof. This invitation for bid is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 149. Michael A. Piccardi **Purchasing Agent** 5/29/245

#### **LEGAL NOTICE** Public

Announcement of Invitation to submit a **PROPOSAL** The enclosed REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) and accompanying Specifications are for your convenience in submitting a proposal for the enclosed referenced products and services: SmartBoards, Accessories and Installation **CLOSING DAY AND TIME:** 

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Scope of Work received no later than: Community Action 4:30 pm EST, June 12, Programs Inter-City, Inc. Small and minority firms (CAPIC) invites qualified are encouraged to apply. The advertisement is subals for: ject in all respects to the QTY terms and conditions of Part # Description the request for proposals. CAPIC, Inc. is an Equal 65TR3DK-B.MUSQ Opportunity Employer/ Affirmative Action Agency. PLEASE MARK SEALED LCD Touchscreen Display CDC & ASP Smartboard Bid 55UR640S9UD **RETURN PROPOSAL TO:** 55" UR640S 4K UHD LED Community Action Pro-Commercial TV grams Inter-City, Inc. Attn: Richelle Cromwell, **Executive Director** Tilt Wall Mount 100 Everett Avenue, Chelsea, MA 02150 Organizational Overview **Community Action** N/A Programs Inter-City, Inc. Installation Services not limited to:

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5/28, 5/29

**LEGAL NOTICE** PUBLIC NOTICE

provisions of Section 40 Chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General Laws (Wetlands Protection Act) that the City of Revere **Conservation Commission** will hold a Public Hearing, Wednesday, June 3, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 upon the application of the City of Revere for proposed work activities including removal of vegetation and pavement, and construction of Revere High School; internal paved driveways, paved parking lots; synthetic turf athletic fields and tennis courts; stormwater management infrastructure; outdoor classrooms; grading; and landscape plantings at 190 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway (Parcels: 9/154B/1, 9/174A/1A, 9/174B/1A, 9/174C/1A 9/174D/1A, and 9/175/1A) and portions of Dunn Road in Revere, Massachusetts. A copy of the Applicant's Notice of Intent Application will be available at the Building Department in the basement of the American Legion Building, 249R Broadway, Revere, MA Monday through Thursday 8:15AM to 5:00PM. **Revere Conservation** Commission

Notice is hereby given

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5/28/2025

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