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2026 REVERE SENIOR CITIZEN HOME REPAIRS PROGRAM APPLICATION OPENS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

The application for the City of Revere's 2026 Senior Citizen Home Repairs Program will be live on the City of Revere's website, revere.org, starting Tuesday, September 15th, at 8:15 AM.

Applications can also be printed and submitted in-person at the Department of Planning and Community Development, Mezzanine Level, Revere City

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Council honors groundbreaking women councillors

By Adam Swift



Shown above, members of former Councillor Peggy O'Hara's family with the city council. Shown left, the new memorial portraits in the City Council chambers of former city councillors. From left are Margaret "Peggy" O'Hara, Elvira "Vera" Curcio, and Catherine "Cathy" Penn.

The Revere City Council honored three female trailblazers in its chambers Monday, unveiling the official memorial portraits of former Councillors Margaret "Peggy" O'Hara, Elvira "Vera" Curcio, and Catherine "Cathy" Penn.

O'Hara was the first woman to serve on the city council when she was appointed to an at-large seat in 1973 to replace Edward O'Hara. Curcio was the Ward 3 Councillor from 1976-1981 and was the first woman elected to serve as a ward councillor. Penn served from 1980-1986 and was the first woman elected to serve Ward 2, and the first woman council president in 1983.

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Ordinance amendment seeks more notification for road closures

By Adam Swift

The Revere City Council is considering an ordinance amendment that would increase notifications for road closures in the city.

The motion, sponsored by Councillors Anthony Cogliandro, Joanne McKenna, and Angela Guarino-Sawaya, is headed to a public hearing on Monday, Sept. 28.

"Currently on the books is an ordinance that the street closures are only to be reported to the fire department," said Cogliandro. "We are changing that to add, I believe, the police and city council as well. We have had quite a few road closures that we have not known about; I actually don't

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CITY'S SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE A SUCCESS!



Director of Engagement, Inclusion and Culture Steven Morabito, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly and Mayor Patrick Keefe look over the many back to school supplies that were donated by Revere residents. See more photos on Page 3.

Several contested races on state primary ballot Tuesday

By Adam Swift

Polls will be open in Revere for the state primary election on Tuesday, Sept. 1 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

There are several contested elections on the Democratic and Republican ballots, with the Democratic senate primary between incumbent Ed Markey and Congressman Seth Moulton expected to drive turnout on Tuesday.

In Revere on the Democratic ballot, state Representative Jessica Giannino is running unopposed in the 16th Suffolk District.

In the 19th Suffolk District, incumbent state Representative Jeff Turco is facing a primary

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Parking restricted at city's schools; Traffic Comm. makes Harris St. one-way from Winthrop to Beach Aves.

By Journal Staff

The Revere Traffic Commission held its regular monthly meeting last Thursday, August 20, in the City Councillor Joseph A. Del Grosso Council Chambers.

DPW Director Christopher Ciaramella presided over the session that was attended by Police Chief Maria LaVita, a representative from the Fire Dept., City Engineer Nick Rystrom, and Chief of Planning and Community Development Tom Skwierawski.

The commission opened the meeting by voting to add two Handicapped Person Parking spaces at 84

Florence Avenue and 178 Constitution Avenue. Ward 2 City Councillor Ira Novoselsky spoke in favor of the former request.

The commissioners next voted to amend Schedule VIII, Section 10.99.080 (Parking Restrictions Generally) that will impose new parking restrictions in the lots at all of the city's schools. The new regulations will restrict parking to school staff only on Monday-Friday from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. while school is in session. In addition, there will be no parking before, during, or after snow emergencies. Vehicles in violation will be towed at the

owner's expense.

City Parking Director Zach Babo said that the issue has been particularly acute at the Hill and Paul Revere Schools, where neighborhood residents have been parking in the lots overnight, but have not been moving their vehicles by the time school gets underway the next morning, forcing staff to park in the street.

Ward 5 City Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, who put forward the motion, noted that school employees had informed her that vehicles that are left overnight

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A RECEPTION FOR LT. GOVERNOR KIM DRISCOLL AT VALSOS TABLE AND BAR



Welcome to Revere, Mayor Patrick Keefe welcomed Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll to our city, shown with Senator Lydia Edwards, host Jamie Russo, and Mayor of Medford, Breanna Lungo-Koehn at Valsos Table and Bar Tuesday morning on Shirley Avenue. See more photos on Page 13.

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30 Firefighters graduate from Firefighting Academy

Three new recruits from Revere among the graduates

Special to the Journal

State Fire Marshal Jon M. Davine and Massachusetts Firefighting Academy leadership today announced the graduation of 30 firefighters from the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program. Video of the ceremony will be posted to the Department of Fire Services YouTube channel this afternoon.

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

“Massachusetts Firefighting Academy instructors draw on decades of experience in the fire service to train new recruits,” said MFA Recruit Program Coordinator Dean Babiniau. “Through consistent classroom instruction and practical exercises, today’s graduates have developed the tools they’ll need to work seamlessly with veteran firefighters in their home departments and in neighboring communities as mu-



Welcome to the Revere Fire Department! From left to right, new firefighters Ryan King, Michael DiCato and Domenic Dilegro.

tual aid.”

The graduating firefighters of Career Recruit Class #341 represent the fire departments of Acton, Auburn, Billerica, Chelsea, Danvers, Malden, Methuen, Northborough, Revere, Southborough, Walpole, Waltham, Westborough, Westwood, and Winthrop.

The Richard N. Bangs Outstanding Student Award, which is presented to one recruit in each graduating career recruit training class, was presented to firefighter John Shanley of the Waltham Fire Department. The award is named for a longtime chair of the Massachusetts Fire Training Council and reflects the recruit’s academic and practical skills, testing, and evaluations over the course of the 10-week program.

Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under non-fire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions.

To graduate, students must demonstrate proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires. Upon successful completion of the Career Recruit Program, all students have met the national standards of NFPA 1010, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, and are certified to the levels of Firefighter I/II and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations by the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.

Today’s firefighters do much more than fight fires: They train for and respond to all types of hazards and emergencies. They are the first ones called to respond

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challenge from Leeallen Matthew Meyer.

Citywide, voters will have the choice between Markey and Moulton for US Senate.

Other contested races on the Democratic ballot include the U.S. Congress seat held by Katherine Clark, who is challenged on the ballot by Jonathan Paz and Tarik Samman; and Suffolk County District Attorney, where incumbent Kevin Hayden is facing a challenge from Linda Champion and former District Attorney Rachael Rollins.

Incumbent Governor’s Councilor Terrence Kennedy is facing a challenge from Diann Baylis

Incumbent Governor Maura Healey and Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll are both unopposed in the primary, as is state Senator Lydia Edwards, Attorney General Andrea Campbell, Secretary of State William

Galvin, Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, Auditor Diana DiZoglio, and Register of Probate Stephanie Everett.

There’s a lighter ballot on the Republican side. The only contested race is for governor, where Michael Minogue and Brian Shortleeve are on the ballot.

Also on the ballot are John Deaton for U.S. Senate, Shawn Oliver for Lt. Governor, Michael Walsh for Attorney General, and Elizabeth Dionne for Treasurer. There are no Republican candidates for the remainder of the positions on the ballot.

The Revere polling locations for the state primary on Tuesday are as follows:

Ward 1, Precincts 1 and 2: Beachmont Veterans Memorial School 15 Everard Street, Gymnasium, Bennington Street Entrance

Ward 1, Precinct 3: American Legion Post 61 249 Broadway

Ward 2, Precinct 1: Garfield Magnet School 176 Garfield Avenue, Gymnasium

Ward 2, Precincts 2, 3, and 3A: Carl Hyman Towers 50 Walnut Avenue

Ward 3, Precincts 1, 2, and 3: Revere High School 101 School Street, Gymnasium, Fieldhouse Entrance

Ward 4, Precincts 1, 2, and 3: Staff Sgt. James J. Hill Elementary School 51 Park Avenue, Parking Lot Entrance

Ward 5, Precinct 1: Point of Pines Yacht Club 28 Rice Avenue

Ward 5, Precinct 1A: Jack Satter House 420 Revere Beach Boulevard

Ward 5, Precincts 2 and 3: Paul Revere School 395 Revere Street, Gymnasium

Ward 6, Precincts 1, 2, and 3: West Revere Complex, A.C. Whelan School 107 Newhall Street, Gymnasium, Sargent Street Entrance

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know if I’ve known about 90 percent of them.

“All that we are asking for is an email,” he continued. “I’ll reference it again, every time there is a water-main break anywhere, all of us get an email. It should be that simple and I hate that we have to do it this way, but now we can make it an ordinance.”

McKenna said the goal of the ordinance amendment is to increase communication because councillors are often called about road closures and they don’t always know the details.

“Residents should not have to wait and find out

about street closures when they are all ready to leave their house or return home from work,” said Guarino-Sawaya. “Advance notice should be given to families in time to make proper arrangements. Construction and utility work is necessary, I understand that, but communication should be part of the planning.”

Advance notification of road work and road closures is especially important for seniors and people with disabilities, Guarino-Sawaya said.

“They have (vehicles) come to their house for home health care and they

have deliveries and they have food, and they can’t have any of the stuff taken in if the roads are closed,” she said.

Council President Anthony Zambuto said he has seen more road closures in the city over the past several months than he has seen in decades.

“It’s absurd, you’re going down Broadway, and then Broadway stops; you’re going down Revere Street and Revere Street stops,” said the council president. “It’s out of control. I think this is one of the best motions I’ve seen and I support it 1,000 percent.”

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Hall. Print versions of the application will be available at the office as well. A read-only version of the application will be posted this week on revere.org, but will not be submittable until September 8.

“Last year, this program was able to help 13 Revere seniors make critical upgrades to their homes to allow them to age in place,” said Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr. “This year, we’re expanding the program to support more seniors and continue to make these key investments. We appreciate the support and partnership of the Revere City Council and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board in making this happen.”

Through this program, the City of Revere is offering a limited number of grants of up to \$6,000 to assist eligible senior homeowners with

necessary home repairs and accessibility improvements. This program is being funded and administered by the City of Revere’s Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

A total of \$85,000 will be awarded, available on a first-come, first-served basis, to the first completed and approved applications that have submitted all required documentation.

Eligible projects may include, but are not limited to:

- Installation of grab bars or handrails
- Installation of stair lifts or ramps
- Walk-in shower conversions
- Replace doorknobs with lever-style door handles
- Replace toilet with comfort-height toilet
- Other accessibility upgrades to showers/ toilets
- Critical roof repairs
- Installation/repair of air

conditioning or other HVAC

- Heating or plumbing system repairs
- Electrical upgrades for safety

Applicants must submit income and residency information along with a quote/contractor’s estimate both describing the work and its cost. The estimate will be reviewed by the City of Revere for feasibility, alignment with program guidelines, and proper licensure of the contractor. Applicants will receive confirmation their application has been received within 1 business day of submission, but processing time may vary to completely process an application.

Eligible applicants must be age 60 or greater; own and occupy their home in Revere; be year-round residents; and have income at or below 80% of area median

income.

An information session about the program will be held at the Revere Senior Center on Wednesday, September 2 at 2:00 PM. Staff will be on hand to discuss the program and answer questions about the application process.

With questions about the program, you may contact the Department of Planning and Community Development, Joe Gravellese, 781-286-8181; jgravellese@revere.org.

CITY TO CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, CENTRAL AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

The City of Revere, alongside Mayor Patrick M. Keefe Jr. and the Depart-

ment of Engagement, Inclusion, and Culture, invites the community to a special gathering to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and Central American Independence Day.

The celebration is scheduled for September 16, running from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.. It will be hosted at the American Legion, located at 249 Broadway in Revere.

This community event is supported by local organizations and businesses, featuring participation from El Concilio Latino de Massachusetts, Inc., Lupita’s Restaurant, and Las Parceritas.

- Weather Policy: The event will take place rain or shine. In the case of rain, the celebration will be moved indoors.

Community members are encouraged to come out and join the festivities!

HEALTH OFFICIALS ANNOUNCE SEASON’S FIRST EEE-POSITIVE MOSQUITO SAMPLES

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) today announced that Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) virus has been detected in mosquitoes in Massachusetts for the first time this year. The presence of EEE was confirmed in mosquito samples collected on August 17 in the town of Kingston in Plymouth County. No human or animal cases of EEE have been detected so far this year.

Today’s finding increases the risk level of EEE to moderate in the communities of Carver, Halifax, Kingston, and Plympton.

“The last EEE outbreak in Massachusetts occurred in 2024 and, since then, there have been no human cases of EEE reported in the

state,” said Public Health Commissioner Robbie Goldstein, MD, PhD. “Today’s finding alerts us to the presence of EEE in Massachusetts this year. While this is late in the season for the first detection of EEE in mosquitoes, when combined with all the evidence of West Nile virus in mosquitoes in Massachusetts, we are asking everyone in Massachusetts to take the necessary precautions to prevent mosquito bites. The Department of Public Health recommends that people use mosquito repellent when they are spending time outdoors so they can enjoy the rest of the summer and decrease their risk of being bitten.”

EEE is a rare but serious and potentially fatal disease that can affect people of all ages. EEE is generally spread to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. There were 12 human cases of EEE in Massachusetts in 2019 with six deaths; in 2020, there were five human cases and one death. In 2024, there were four human cases with one death. There were no human cases of EEE in Massachusetts in 2021, 2022, 2023, or 2025.

“EEE activity in Massachusetts tends to occur in outbreak cycles,” said State Epidemiologist Dr. Catherine M. Brown. “When EEE is found in mosquitoes later in the season like this, there is less opportunity for the risk to increase to very high levels. But anytime EEE virus is in mosquitoes, it can be spread to people. We rely on our mosquito surveillance program to monitor for the presence of virus to let people know when and where the risk is occurring so they can take steps to protect themselves.”

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IT’S BACK TO SCHOOL FOR REVERE STUDENTS AND EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES ARE PRESENTED TO REVERE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM GENEROUS DONATIONS FROM AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Patrick Keefe teamed up with Director of Engagement, Inclusion and Culture Stephen Morabito and collected much needed school supplies for needy students, to get them on the right track as the fall school season starts. Mayor Keefe stated that he couldn’t be happier, and prouder of the citizens of Revere, always stepping up and making every attempt to help a Revere student.

Director Morabito also stated these supplies will go a long way and was grateful for their arrival in time for the first day of school.



Last Monday was back to school for teachers around the City of Revere. Principal Nancy Martel welcomed her special guests, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Superintendent of School Dr. Dianne Kelly, Director of Engagement, Equality and Culture Stephen Morabito, and Asmaa Abou-Fouda, along with some of the elementary grade teachers. They are shown with the back-to-school supplies that were donated through a city-wide drive, from Revere residents. Holly Pierce, Nadia Salvatore, Jenn Wells, Principal Nancy Martel, Director Stephen Morabito, Asmaa Abou-Fabou, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly, Jenn Gazza, Hannah Clooney, and Rosanna Franzese.



Asst. Superintendent Lourenco Garcia speaks with Hill School Principal Nancy Martel, Asmaa Abou-Fouda, and Director Stephen Morabito.



Jenn Wells has a laugh with Mayor Patrick Keefe over the discussion of what color crayon he likes best. The teachers were very happy with the donation of the much needed supplies, and the students will be well prepared to start on their new year of education.

Revere Police ready community policing van

By Adam Swift

The Revere Police Department has big plans for a new community policing truck that will be unveiled soon.

At Monday night’s meeting, the city council approved establishing a gift account for the police department. This account will allow the department to solicit donations for community police projects from the public and have the donations placed in a dedicated account.

Revere Police Captain Thomas Malone explained how the gift account relates to the new community police vehicle at the council meeting.

“The department has recently purchased a vehicle, it’s going to be an all-electric Chevy BrightDrop,” said Malone. “It is going to be a community service vehicle; we’re kind of calling it an ice cream truck on steroids.”

Malone compared it to other police departments that have converted older step vans into community policing ice cream trucks.

“What we are planning on doing is we’re making this a year-round, weekly truck that we are going to have to further our community engagement and outreach to the neighborhoods,” said Malone.

While the van will be used for ice cream, the captain said it will also be used for Coffee with a Cop, clothing drives, and toy drives.

“We’re going to be doing outreach with the homeless with our behavioral health unit,” Malone said. “We want to make this vehicle

present in the community at all the different events throughout the city. We are hoping to get more involved with the individual neighborhoods through the ward councillors, which I’ve talked to some of you about, and we are hoping to get that program up and running.

“With any luck, we’re going to have the vehicle this week and we will be rolling it out in the coming weeks through the mayor’s office.”

Malone said the police department will not be selling any products from the vehicle, however, he said the department was looking to put a QR code on the side of it.

“It’s almost like a pay it forward, if you want to donate, you are more than welcome to, and if you don’t want to, that is obviously not what we are in the business for,” said Malone.

After speaking with city finance director Richard Viscay, Malone said the best way to keep track of any of the donations would be through a separate gift account for the police department.

“All the money that is donated to us is going to go right back into the van to provide more products and services to the community,” said Malone.

Malone said the vehicle will be known as the CARE Wagon, standing for Community, Access, Resources, and Engagement.

“I love this idea, and it is about time,” said Ward 6 Councillor Chris Giannino. “I know that over the years, we have been going back to the same people over and over again for donations.”

REVERE Through the Years

10 years ago
August 26, 2016

Monday night the City Council decided to table the proposed hotel/extended stay apartments, a move that places plans for 132 hotel rooms and 220 extended stay apartments at 205 Revere Beach Parkway, the site of the former Shaw’s and Cerretani’s supermarkets, on hold. After hearing from proponents and opponents, Councillor Robert Haas motioned for the project to be tabled. The council can keep the project alive, but may allow the developers to revisit their plans. The council voted 7-4 to table the project, with councillors Arthur Guinasso, Robert Haas Jr., Patrick Keefe, Steve Morabito, Ira Novoselsky, John Powers, and Jessica Giannino in favor. Voting no were Councillors Joanne McKenna, Charlie Patch, George Rotondo, and Anthony Zambuto.

Most school books were replaced by iPads at Revere High School a few years ago, but now the iPads are being switched out for Google ChromeBooks, and so far the move is getting a thumbs up from students. All last week, students busied themselves picking up their new ChromeBooks

and testing them out before classes started.

A proposed \$7 million roof replacement and repair project won’t greet students next Monday when they return to classes at the Garfield School. Instead, the project will have to wait until one year from now, school officials said this week.

Don’t Breathe and Pete’s Dragon are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
August 30, 2006

The new water treatment plant that was put on line by the MWRA last year has resulted in noticeably better-tasting drinking water throughout the MWRA district.

School got off to an early start this week for Revere schoolchildren, including those at the new West Revere elementary school complex.

City officials have chosen CTA Construction, the low bidder, as the general contractor to build the new public safety facility. However, the City Council still must appropriate an additional \$1-\$2 million by which the original estimate has fallen short.

Moody’s bond rating service has reaffirmed the

city’s improving financial situation by raising the city’s bond rating for the second time in 13 months from Baa2 to Baa1.

Idiocracy, Crank, and The Covenant are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago
August 28, 1996

Prices for single family homes in the city increased by 3.5 percent in the past year to a median value of \$114,000. This marks the first upswing in the local real estate market in the past six years.

Mayor Robert Haas announced this week that the city has received a state grant of \$2 million to repair Park Ave., Central Ave., and Revere St.

William J. “Red” Dwyer, a survivor of the assault on Iwo Jima in WWII and who founded the Revere chapter of the Disabled American Veterans, has been cited by the national DAV organization for his 50 years of service to the DAV.

Mayoral aide Ron Granese has announced that he will be in the mayor’s office from 5-7 Monday evenings to meet with residents

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Firefighters // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to gas leaks to industrial chemical spills. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen through the ice, an office worker stuck in an elevator, or a motorist trapped in a crashed vehicle. They test and maintain their equipment, including

self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), hydrants, hoses, power tools, and apparatus.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, recruits learn all these skills and more, including the latest science of fire behavior and suppression tactics, from certified fire instructors. They also receive training in public fire education,

hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, and self-rescue techniques.

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

I will bring transparency back to the DA’s office

By Rachael Rollins

In 2018, I ran for District Attorney with no political sponsor and no permission from anyone. The people who decide these races - before voters get a say - decided early that I was not qualified for the job and not viable in the field. And they were not shy about saying it. Then Suffolk County voted. What arrived was not a narrow win handed down by an endorsement or the political elite. It was a mandate built at doors and kitchen tables and church basements by people who had been told for far too long that this office was not theirs to shape.

We built an office around that mandate.

We collected data and published it. We wrote our policies down so the public could read them and hold us to them. We brought in researchers who could tell us honestly whether what we were doing worked, including on misdemeanor prosecution, where the evidence showed that charging certain nonviolent cases made future crime more likely rather than less. We created the first Discharge Integrity Team in any prosecutor’s office in the country, with a community member seated on it, so that when police used deadly or excessive force there was a process the public could

unsee. Homicides fell to a twenty-year low. We also went to court against the

federal government. When ICE agents began terrorizing our community during the first Trump administration, I took them to court and sued them with my colleague in Middlesex County. A federal judge ordered the practice stopped. A courthouse only functions if a witness to a shooting, a person seeking a restraining order, or a worker owed their wages can walk through the door without calculating the risk. That was true in 2019. It is more true today.

I left to serve as United States Attorney only after asking for and receiving assurances that this important work would continue. It did not. What voters built in 2018 was undone by appointment, which is the oldest way there is to take something back from people without asking them.

Within days, the research partnerships were severed and the published data stopped. The Discharge Integrity Team was disbanded. Four years later, the office still has no written protocol governing officer-involved shootings. Meetings about homicides in our neighborhoods are held by invitation only. Relationships with the police departments this office depends on have frayed in public.

You can measure the cost. Roughly 1,500 homicides remain unsolved, some dating to 1960, and not one prosecutor is currently assigned specifically to

clearing those cases. Each file is a family told to wait and then forgotten. Shootings are up. That is what happens when an office throws away the evidence that was guiding it. If voted back into office, I will bring back the Project for Unsolved Suffolk Homicides and focus on the murdered and missing that have not had answers for years or decades.

When people who live in certain neighborhoods describe what they see out their windows, the answer coming back from the people currently in charge is a statistic, a press release, and a quick change of subject. Their experience is not treated as evidence. It is treated as an inconvenience, something to be managed until they hopefully stop raising it. In my office, data was how we found the truth. It was never how we told a grieving family they were imagining things.

I am running the way I ran the first time. Against the people who settle these things privately, for the people who have to live with what they settle. I ask for your vote and pledge to bring the office back to transparency, community focus and data driving our policies, all while remaining steadfast about public safety.

Rachael Rollins is the Former Suffolk County District Attorney and a candidate for Suffolk County District Attorney.

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Mayor Patrick Keefe with Geri Ginsberg, Claire Marrone, and Rita Russo.



Suffolk County Sheriff's Department Officer Cadet Raphael serving a salad to Joseph Cole.

Spritz” citrus-themed party on August 19. Members enjoyed lunch catered by DeMaino’s Restaurant and danced to disco music provided by DJ Stevie Ray.



Ladies dancing to “Rockin’ Robin.”



Margie Baldwin, Kathy Smith, Millie Schettino, Phyllis Prizio, Liz Haley, Lois D'Ambrosio, and Lisa Miliozzi.



Marianne Iantosco, Marianne Campangnara, Irene Lanza, Cathy C., Ann Gorrell, and Susan Foti.



Maria Margaca, Laurie Cotto, Joanne King, Roy Zarbano, and Carmine Chiuccariello.



Nancy Monkiewicz, Chickie Colella, Karen Knapp, Eleanor Vieira, Sandi Lozier, Denise Rampelberg, and Tina Notaro.



Councilor Paul Argenzio, School Committeeman Anthony Caggiano, Representative Jeff Turco, Councilor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Councilor Ira Novoselsky, and Councilor Tony Zambuto.



Seniors dancing to the “Macarena.”



Jimmy and Donna DePaulo.



Friends dancing to “I Will Survive.”



Janet Marchillo and Richard Carbone.



Joanne Monteforte and Ann Marie Droukis.



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A “WAR” THAT WE ACTUALLY ARE WINNING

It was almost 55 years ago -- on December 23, 1971, to be precise -- that President Richard M.Nixon officially declared the “war on cancer” when he signed the National Cancer Act of 1971.

The legislation committed \$1.5 billion (\$12 billion in today’s dollars) over three years to expand the capabilities of the National Cancer Institute and create new research centers to find cures and treatments for cancer.

At the time, Nixon stated he hoped the bill would be looked upon in the future as the most significant action of his presidency, comparing it to the ambition of the moon landing. Since 1971, the federal government has spent an estimated \$200 billion to \$300 billion in research, while total national expenditures on overall cancer care and medical treatment have reached trillions of dollars.

Early detection, better treatments, and a massive decline in smoking successfully have reduced cancer deaths. Still, despite these efforts, an estimated 30 million Americans have died of the dreaded disease over the past 55 years. In short, though we have made much progress since 1971, we still had far to go.

That is, until last week.

The joint announcement by pharmaceutical companies Moderna and Merck heralds a new era in oncology. They revealed that Moderna’s targeted mRNA cancer vaccine, when combined with Merck’s immunotherapy drug Keytruda, significantly slowed the recurrence of deadly melanoma and prevented its spread to other parts of the body.

Just as each of us has unique fingerprints, cancers are entirely different in everyone. Even two people with the exact same diagnosis can have completely different genetic mutations, tumor behaviors, and treatment responses. That is why a drug like Keytruda is highly-effective for many patients, but not for others.

Moderna’s mRNA drug changes the game by designing a treatment specific to every patient’s unique version of the cancer. A small sample of the cancer is extracted from the patient so its DNA can be genetically sequenced. Moderna then tailors a custom mRNA drug designed to train the patient’s own immune system -- specifically their “killer” T-cells -- to recognize and aggressively attack those specific cancer cells.

This breakthrough technology is critical in two major respects. Obviously, it will be of enormous benefit to Americans who presently have been diagnosed with cancer. But its impact also will be crucial in treating the many early-onset cancers that inexplicably are on the rise among younger people.

Colorectal cancer is seeing one of the sharpest and most alarming increases among young adults under 50, rapidly becoming a leading cause of cancer death in this age group. Doctors are also seeing noticeable increases in several other early-onset cancers among Gen Xers and Millennials, including triple-negative breast, thyroid, kidney, pancreatic, uterine, and stomach cancers.

For these generations, personalized mRNA technology could completely rewrite their prognosis.

In a world where it seems the news is all bad all the time, the announcement of Moderna’s breakthrough cancer therapy offers a rare, profound sense of hope. We may finally be turning the tide in a half-century-long war, bringing us closer than ever to a cure for this dreaded disease.

SCHOOL’S BACK — DRIVE WITH CARE

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

We’ll be the first to admit that school buses, school crossings, etc. are a pain in the neck, especially if we’re running a bit late on our way to work.

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

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

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

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FLOCK CONCERNS CONTINUE

Dear Editor,

As a follow-up to my previous letter regarding the intrusive Flock license plate readers currently operating in Revere, I have an important update. While the police chief was unable to attend

Monday’s City Council meeting as initially planned, I have been assured she will definitely be at the next meeting on Monday, Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. to answer questions about the cameras.

It is crucial that residents attend and make their voices heard, especially in light of new developments

regarding Flock cameras across the state. Recently, we’ve seen alarming incidents of Massachusetts police officers misusing these exact systems for personal reasons.

These in-state abuses prove that this technology presents a massive risk to our privacy. There are sim-

ply not enough guardrails in place to prevent the system from being abused to track our daily movements.

Please join us at the City Council meeting on Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. for answers, accountability, and to protect our community.

Kane DiMasso-Scott

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who work and who thus are unable to get to City Hall during regular business hours in order to discuss issues affecting them.

She’s the One, First Kid, and A Very Brady Sequel are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago August 27, 1986

The City Council and Mayor George V. Colella awarded the city’s highest honor, the Certificate of Merit, to Miss Kathleen Marie Callahan, who recently won the Miss Massachusetts title and who now will be competing for the title of Miss America in Atlantic City September 13.

Ward Two City Councillor Catherine Penn Bellinfante attended her last City Council meeting this week. Bellinfante is resigning from the council in order to resume her career as a Revere school teacher.

City Council members Robert Haas Jr. and Kenneth Hill have proposed that developers of condo and apartment complexes in the city be required to obtain special permits for their projects.

City Councillor Kenneth Hill has called upon Acting Police Chief Ed Sasso to take immediate action to curb the rash of housebreaks that has been occurring in the Pt. of Pines. Hill’s home was among those recently broken-into.

The Revere Ladies Lodge 1601, OSIA, held its annual luau party Saturday.

Stand By Me, The Fly, and Ruthless People are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

50 years ago August 25, 1976

State Senators Joseph J.C. DiCarlo and Ronald McKenzie of Burlington pleaded not guilty at their arraignment in federal district court on charges that they extorted \$40,000 from a New York construction firm in connection with the

awarding of the contract for the construction of the UMass-Boston campus.

Hundreds of local youngsters wrapped up the 1976 summer recreation season by participating in the recent Olympics Day activities.

The city has awarded the contract for the construction of the long-awaited Beachmont School on the site of the former Fredericks Park to Schena Construction Corp.

State Rep. Angelo Cataldo has called for an investigation into the death of 20 year-old Michael Ferragamo of 24 Shurtleff St., who died suddenly from toxic fumes while working on an MBTA train in Boston.

Arthur M. Wolman is the new head librarian for the Revere Public Library.

Bathers at Revere Beach were warned this weekend that a school of 15-foot sharks has been sighted in coastal waters between Nantasket Beach and Nahant. MDC and Coast Guard boats have been cruising the area in search of the sharks.

Paul Principato won the men’s title in the City of Revere annual tennis tournament for the third straight year. Judy Murphy was the women’s champ for the second year in a row.

Charlton Heston and Henry Fonda star in Midway at the Parkway Plaza Theatre.

60 years ago September 1, 1966

Mayor George V. Colella has vetoed a leash law ordinance that was passed by the City Council. Colella said the ordinance needs more study because there is no dog pound to hold loose dogs, no vehicle to transport them, and no manpower available to do the job.

Architect Harold Turiello is set to submit the final plans September 15 for an ultramodern Lincoln School at the corner of Tuckerman and Malden Sts. The new school will replace the for-

mer Lincoln School that was destroyed by a student who set a fire after-hours. The cost of the new school is pegged at \$2,235,000.

With the current site for the disposal of the city’s trash, the DeMatteo dump in Saugus, set to close within a year, Revere and other communities in the area are being confronted with the prospect of finding a new alternative to dispose of their trash that undoubtedly will cost much more money.

With the city’s 17 schools set to open next week, Fire Chief Alfred Long told the School Committee that the fire detection systems in the schools are obsolete.

Acting Police Chief Philip Gallo is questioning the legality of a new city ordinance that prohibits the posting of political signs on all public and private property.

A group of 20 FBI agents and four Lynn police officers raided an apartment at 524 Revere Beach Blvd. and arrested four Canadian men who are alleged to have robbed a bank in Lynn only hours before they were arrested. The gang had made off with almost \$50,000 in cash.

The Revere Ladies Lodge 1601, OSIA, held its first annual luau party Saturday.

Paul Newman and Julie Andrews star in Torn Curtain and Cary Grant and Audrey Hepburn star in Charade at the Revere Drive In.

80 years ago August 30, 1956

Red Sox star slugger Ted Williams, Sox’ announcer Curt Gowdy, and Big Brother Bob Emery were the main attractions at the fundraiser for the Jimmy Fund held at

the Revere Drive-In Monday night. A large throng jammed the theatre grounds for the event.

With three deaths being reported in the state from Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE), state officials have ordered that Suffolk Downs race track be sprayed with a pesticide by helicopter this week.

Saturday proved to be a hazardous day in the city, with five persons being injured in three auto accidents.

The School Committee has delayed taking action on a proposal to create the post of Athletic Director for the Revere schools. Revere High presently has a faculty manager who handles athletic matters.

Hundreds of local youngsters gathered at Paul Revere Stadium for the closing exercises of the 10th annual Revere playgrounds’ summer season. The event was highlighted by the doll carriage parade, handcraft exhibits, a pet show, and a float competition among the various playgrounds. The children from the Louis Pasteur playground won the float contest.

More than 50 persons filled the hearing room in the basement of City Hall to oppose the request for a variance by Joseph and Rocco DiNanno to operate a dog kennel in No. Revere.

Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis star in Pardners at the Revere Drive In. Burt Lancaster stars in Brute Force at the Revere Theatre.

80 years ago August 29, 1946

Miss Virginia Carter,

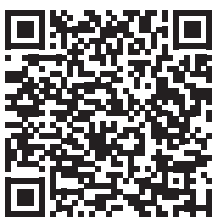
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License Commission issues one-day licenses at August monthly meeting

By Journal Staff

The Revere License Commission held its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday afternoon, August 19, in the City Council Chamber. On hand for the session were chair Robert Selevitch and Dan Occena.

The first item on the agenda was a request from Jesus Torres, event manager, for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment License for Saturday, September 19, from 5 p.m.–11 p.m. at the Father Brennan Parish Center at 137 Winthrop Ave. The event is a fundraising concert with an expected attendance of 300 persons.

Mr. Torres told the commissioners that the event is a fundraiser for the Immaculate Conception parish. He said a similar event was held in 2023 and that those serving the alcohol will be TIPS-certified. A police detail will be hired.

Fire Dept. Capt. Mark Wolfgang asked questions briefly about the layout of the tables and seats in relation to the fire exits. The application was approved.

Next up was another request for a 1-day Malt/Wine, Common Victualler, and Entertainment License by Dot’s Army for an annual cornhole tournament to benefit the Jimmy Fund at Giswold Park on Saturday, September 12, from 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, September 13. The expected attendance is 100.

Event manager Renee Griffin presented the application. She said this is the 10th annual cornhole tournament and the seventh year at Griswold Park. The alcohol will be served by Bentwater.

“I’m very familiar with this event and there never have been any issues,” said Occena, who moved to approve the application, which Selevitch seconded.

The next matter was a request by Summit Hotel TRS 192, LLC, d/b/a Hampton Inn Revere, 230 Lee Burbank Highway, for a change of manager to Cesar Cepeda from Kamil Karibe.

Boston attorney Dawson Cooper from Upton, Connell, and Devlin presented the application. He noted that Mr. Cepeda is a U.S. citizen and has had experience in the hospitality business.

The commissioners unanimously approved the application.

The next item was a request from the Revere Lodge #1171 of the B.P.O.E. of U.S.A., Inc., 198 Shirley Avenue, James Hannon, manager, for a Change of Officers/Directors: to reflect the recent election of club officers.

Anessa Schena, the newly-elected Exalted Ruler of the local lodge, presented the application. The commissioners had no questions and the application was approved.

Atenea Nails & Beauty, LLC, 121 Broadway, Jairo M. Cardona, manager, came before the commission with an application for a Wine and Malt with Cordials General On-Premises License as an accessory to a nail salon business. The requested seating is 13 with requested hours of operation on Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The representative from the business said the employees have been TIPS-certified and the commissioners approved the license.

Revere Restaurant Group, Inc., d/b/a Tio Juan’s Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 85 American Legion Highway, came before the commission seeking a Change of Manager to Jesus E. Camilo from Susan Marie Jimenez.

Mr. Camilo told the commissioners that he has been with the company for 11 years and has been transferred to Revere. The application was approved.

The next matter came from 325 Bennett Highway Halal, Inc., d/b/a Shah’s Halal Food, 325 Bennett Highway, Tejas Patel, Manager, seeking the transfer of a Common Victualler License from Hasbegu, Inc. The requested seating will remain at 36 and the requested hours of operation will remain on Monday – Sunday from 11 a.m. – 12 a.m.

Mr. Patel told the commissioners that Shah’s Halal Food, which is a franchise based in New York City, is opening its second location in Revere.

The commissioners approved the application.

Next up was a request from Joe’s Kwik Marts MA, LLC, d/b/a Joe’s Kwik Marts #515, 41 Lee Burbank Highway, Juan Rivera, manager, for a Malt/Wine Package Store License with hours of operation on Sunday from 10 a.m. – 11 p.m. and on Monday – Saturday from 8 a.m. – 11 p.m..

Mr. Rivera presented the application to the commission. He said he had previously worked at a liquor store and is TIPS-certified. The application was approved.

The next application came from Dar Dyafa, Inc., 61 Squire Road, Rachida Tajmout and Nora Charrat, operators, for a Stationary Mobile Food Vendor License to be operated at 61 Squire Road on Tuesday–Sunday from 5 p.m.–11 p.m.

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Christopher A. Maggio

He was truly one of a kind

Christopher Anthony Maggio, affectionately known to many as Christo, Doofus, Stupid, Boxhead, or Cristoph Monty Esq., tragically passed away on August 17, 2026, at the age of 39.

Chris is survived by his beloved wife, Stephanie Maggio; his siblings: Darren James Maggio and his wife, Shannon, Jonathan Maggio and his fiancée, Meaghan Casella, Nicholas Maggio, Beth Sloane, Alexander Aguilar and Selena Aguilar and her fiancé, rge Alvarado; his sisters-in-law; Jessica and John Gormly and Lynda Parker and her husband. Stephen; his mother, CherylAguilar; stepfather, Alejandro Aguilar; father, Darren Maggio; stepmother, Tracey Maggio; grandmother, Elaine Maggio, wife of the late Anthony Maggio; many cousins and dear friends.

Most of all, Chris will be deeply missed by his many nieces and nephews. If Chris loved you, there was a good chance he loved your children even more. He had a special way of making sure his friends—and their kids—always knew they were loved. He leaves behind Jayden, Julian, Briella, Grayson, Milani, Tristan, Roman, Johnny, Perry, Vivian, Veyda and Mila Jay.

Chris was truly one of a kind—unapologetically himself and completely authentic. He was ridiculous, hilarious, loyal, stubborn, genuine, kind, thoughtful, and supportive. He had absolutely no filter and was never afraid to say exactly what was on his mind. If he didn’t like you, you knew it. If he loved you, he loved you with his whole heart. There was no middle ground.



Chris found joy in the things he loved: Yankee Candles, Power Rangers, Pokémon, Harry Potter, video games, great food, Michael Jackson, ’80s and ’90s music, technology and building computers, basketball, Spider-Man, and writing parody songs. We hope that whenever you come across one of those things—or hear a song that reminds you of him—it brings a smile to your face.

Chris was full of life, always ready to make a memory, and completely unhinged and inappropriate in the best possible way. He was unforgettable, and he will be loved, missed, and remembered exactly as he was.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, August 29th, 2026 at Kowloon Restaurant, 948 Broadway in Saugus, starting promptly at 1p.m. until 4 p.m. Friends and Family are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Joslin Diabetes Center, 330 Brookline Avenue BIDMC, Boston, MA 02215.

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.

Chester J. “Chet” Mazzone

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Chester Mazzone, affectionately known as Chet, of Revere, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Sunday, August 23rd at the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers after a lengthy illness.

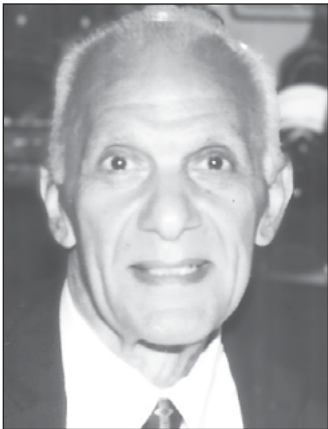
Chester was born on February 18, 1939, in Winthrop to his late parents Frederick and Michelina (Paolillo) Mazzone. He was one of three boys raised and educated in Medford and a graduate of Medford High School Class of 1957.

Chet enlisted in the United States Airforce, which later led him to Active-Duty Service during the Vietnam era. Chet proudly served his country and was later honorably discharged from the military for his service.

During this time in Chet’s life, he married his wife, Vita Bertolino, on

April 16, 1961. He and his wife began their life together in Medford, before moving to Revere 60 years ago. Chet worked his entire life as a Meat Cutter. He began working at an early age and then went on to work for his brother-in-law’s business, Bertolino Beef Company, for many years before beginning his own business in 1980, M & M Provisions. Chet loved what he did and dedicated his life to his trade. He was an incredibly hardworking man, working several jobs to provide for his family.

The the beloved husband of 65 years to Vita (Bertolino) Mazzone of Revere, he was the loving father of Michele Capo of Reading, Joanne Murphy and her husband, Brian Sr., of Revere and Deborah Tisi of Peabody; the cherished Papa of Brian Murphy, Jr. and his wife, Nicole of Peabody, Kristina Caruso of San Diego, Alexander Tisi and his wife, Alison of Beverly, Daniel Murphy and his fiancée, Madison Cole of Peabody, Marisa Tisi of Peabody, Gianna Capo and her fiancée, Charlie Kendall of Boston, Anthony Capo



of Peabody, and Jonathan Murphy of Revere; the dear brother of Gerard Mazzone and his wife, Jane of Florida and the late

Carmen Mazzone. He is also lovingly survived by his brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, and nephews.

A time of visitation will be held on Thursday, August 27th from 4 to 8 p.m. in the

Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere. A funeral will be held from the funeral home beginning at 9 a.m. on Friday, August 28th followed by a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere. Interment will immediately follow with Military Honors at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances can be made to the Alzheimer’s Association at 320 Nevada St. #201 Newton, MA 02460.

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who was chosen as Miss Revere Beach last weekend, finished in third place in the Miss Massachusetts pageant held this past weekend. The Miss Massachusetts contest was held at Revere Beach at the Lewis Cafe as part of the 50th anniversary celebration of the founding of Revere Beach, the oldest public beach in America. Miss Rae Nicholson of Malden was the winner among the 18 contestants for Miss Mass. and now will compete for the title of Miss America in Atlantic City.

The heavy downpours of this past week once again

caused flooding on Dunn Rd. and the surrounding area.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kniznick of 1729 North Shore Rd. received official notification this week that their son, Lieut. Alfred F. Kniznick, who had been declared as missing in action in the war when his B-29 bomber was shot down on a mission over Japan, officially has been declared as killed in action.

Kathryn Grayson, June Allyson, and Jimmy Durante star in Two Sisters from Boston at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

BOCCE ON THE BEACH TO SUPPORT THE RUMNEY MARSH BURIAL GROUND

After a 2 year lay-off, bocce on the beach sponsored by the Rumney Marsh Burial Ground Committee was back. It was a little overcast on Revere Beach, but perfect for the event, keeping the players comfortable while on the sands of Historic Revere Beach.

Thanks to the help from Director Michael Hinojosa from the Parks and Recreational Department and his crew, they set up the courts and officiated the games as well. This in the grand scheme of the event was huge, add more funds to go to the burial ground program.

The Rumney Marsh Burial Ground is a valued historical site located in Revere, and is viewed by hundreds of visitors a year, and it takes funds and time to keep it in shape and allow for restorations when needed, and events like bocce on the beach help this program throughout the year.

Following the event all players were graciously invited to sponsor Fine Line at Revere Beach for lunch.



Director of Revere Parks and Recreation on the court with his teammate John Leone.



Rumney Marsh Burial Ground Chairman Brendan O'Brien, with Director of Revere Parks and Recreation Mike Hinojosa and the crew of judges for the Bocce on the Beach Event.



President of RSCHP Bob Upton and Joanne Monteforte.



Miles Baker, Representative Jeff Turco and his son Joseph, and Elle Baker.

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The Rumney Marsh Burial Ground Committee at the Revere Beach Historic Clock. Michael LeBerege, Councillor Ira Novoselsky, Chairman Brendan O'Brien, Janelle O'Brien, Jeff Pearlman, President Bob Upton, and Tom Sullivan.

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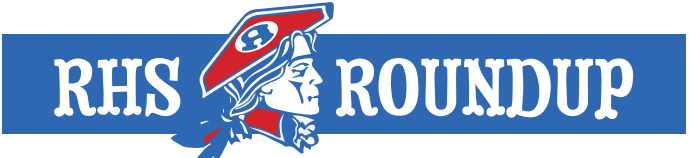
Team DeVeau / aka the Rolling Stones.



Angela Squitieri talks with referee Maria Martinez.



Tournament winners, Team Stringi, aka The Sandfleas, accept the Mario Pagnoni Memorial Trophy. The committee wishes to thank the Revere Parks and Recreation Department, Fine Line, the DJ Dude, all our sponsors and players, and everyone else who contributed to the tournament.



RHS ATHLETES REPORT FOR THE 2026 FALL SEASON

Revere High athletes reported for tryouts and practices for the 2026 sports season this past Monday.

The Patriots will be returning all of their coaches from 2025: Lou Ciatelli for football, Ariana Rivera for girls soccer, Gerardo Rodriguez for boys soccer, Mike Flynn for boys cross-country, Katie Sinnott for girls cross-country, Victoria Correia for field hockey, Emilie Clemons for girls volleyball, and Rich Malatesta for

golf. The RHS football team has scheduled scrimmages at Burlington on Tuesday, September 1, and with Northeast Regional on Saturday morning, September 6, at Harry Della Russo Stadium at 10:00. The boys soccer team will be the first to open the season with a home contest against Central Catholic on Sunday, September 6, at 12 noon. Otherwise, all of the teams will get their 2026 campaigns underway after Labor Day.



Checking out the competition is Rick Freni.



President of the RSCHP Bob Upton, and Director of Parks and Recreation Mike Hinojosa.



State Representative Jeff Turco sponsored two teams last Saturday supporting the Rumney Marsh Burial Grounds. Team 1- Philip Squitieri, Joanne Monteforte, Tono Serene, and Angela Squitieri. Team-2, State Representative Jeff Turco, Joseph Turco, former State Representative Carlo Basile, and Sal LaMattina.

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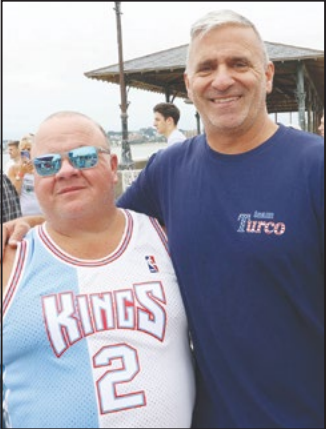
Revere's historic historian Jeff Pearlstein and DJ "the Dude" on Revere Beach.



Team RSCHP, Jared Ranere, Ron Ranery, Toby Oearlstein, and Alex Pearlstein.



Representing Team Mayor Patrick Keefe, Dominic Boudreau, Cam Correira, Richie DiMarzo, and Patrick Keefe III.



Revere's CFO Rich Viscay and former State Representative Carlo Basile.

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The U.S. News & World Report rankings are a highly respected measure of schools' performance, taking into account factors such as college readiness, state assessment proficiency and performance, college curriculum, underserved student performance, and

graduation rates.

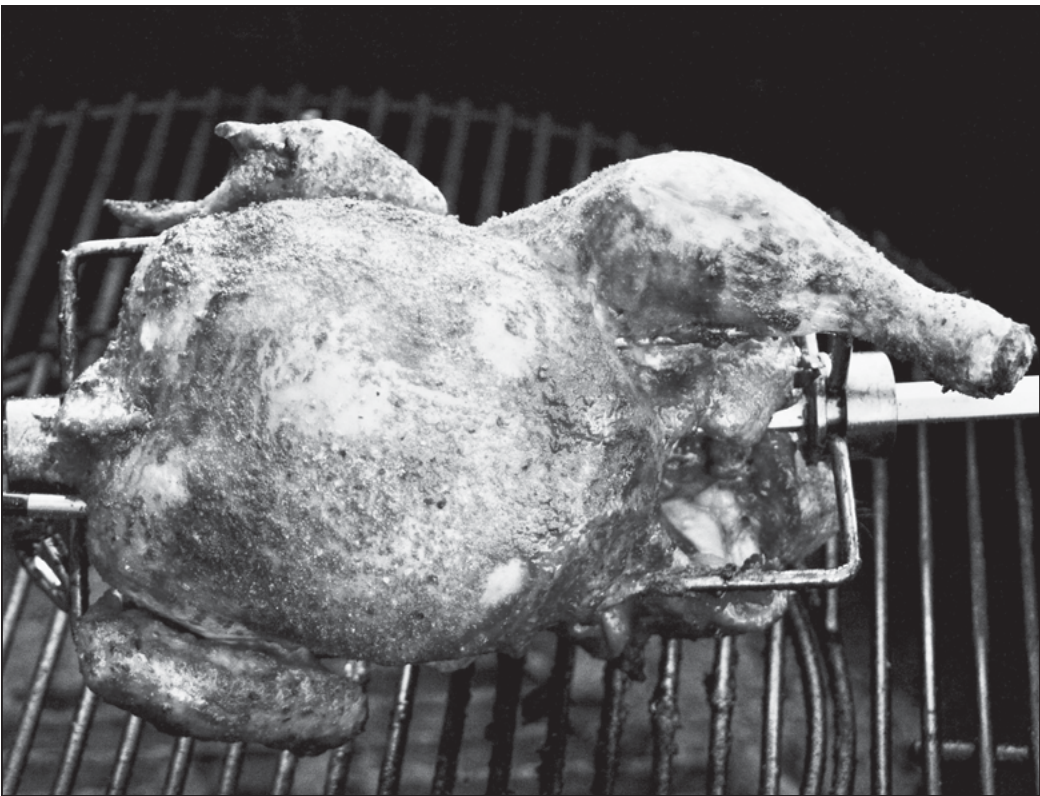
PCSS I, located in Everett, was one of eight charter public schools that ranked among the top 30 high schools in Massachusetts, including its sister school in Saugus - PCSS II. This year, 108 seniors from both PCSS campuses were accepted to 140 distinct colleges, including Yale, Northeastern, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Boston University, and received more than \$20 million in total scholarships.

"At Pioneer, our goal is to prepare our students for the highest education and career success," said Sanela Jonuz, Executive Director of PCSS I. "Seeing our team of staff, students, and families' hard work pay off is rewarding, and we are honored to be listed in the

top 30 public high schools in Massachusetts."

PCSS I students returned to school this Monday, August 17th, for their 2026-2027 academic year. Enrollment information can be found online at Enroll - Pioneer Charter School Of Science I.

PCSS is a rigorous college preparatory charter school that aims to prepare educationally under-sourced students for today's competitive world. PCSS I, located in Everett, serves students in Grades K through 12 from several communities North of Boston, including Everett, Chelsea, and Revere. PCSS II, located in Saugus, serves students in Grades K through 12 from Saugus, Salem, Peabody, Lynn, and Danvers.



Many semi-homemade meals begin with a rotisserie chicken.

FRESH & LOCAL

Semi-Homemade Meals

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

If you're responsible for providing food for your home dining table, you have three levels of work to consider. The easiest level is ordering or bringing home takeout food prepared elsewhere; the next level is homemade food from scratch; and the middle level is semi-homemade.

Rotisserie Chickens

The best example of this practice is demonstrated by the millions of rotisserie chickens sold each year in this country. Costco alone sold 157.4 million rotisserie chickens at \$4.99 in 2025.

In an interview with The New York Times, reported, "For consumers, the draw of a whole rotisserie chicken has long been that it's 'a cost-efficient meal,' said Johnny Novokmet, 29, who rates and reviews grocery-store and fast-casual rotisserie chickens on social

media. A rotisserie chicken with a side of rice, he said, can be as low as \$10 and stretch across multiple meals."

We're rotisserie chicken fans, but we seldom serve it on the bone. Hand stripping the meat is easier when it's warm. Often we make chicken stock from the bones, skin, and stray bits.

Depending on how we plan to use the meat, Penny often leaves the white meat in whole pieces because it slices better when it's cold. The dark meat is reduced into bite-sized bits that are perfect for salads, tacos, or as a protein addition to many other meals.

A favorite semi-homemade meal is a curried chicken salad that includes chopped apple, celery, scalions, fennel, shredded carrots, chicken chunks, and a big handful of raisins. We dress it with olive oil, vinegar, curry powder, and Aleppo pepper.

More Choices These Days

Another favorite salad is Gỏi Gá, a crunchy Vietnamese chicken salad. It consists of shredded chicken, cabbage, carrots, red onion, herbs, and nước chấm as a dressing. You top it with fried shallots and chopped peanuts.

Once, this took a lot of preparation. It would begin by slicing and frying shallots to crispy perfection. Today you can buy a perfectly good version for toppings or snacking. Next, you would poach the chicken unless you already have a deboned rotisserie chicken on hand. Finally, shred the cabbage and carrots, then chop the herbs and onion. Whatever shortcuts you use, mix the nước chấm yourself and let it sit for a few minutes to meld.

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Chavez, Pedro Antonio G	Maradiaga, Carla P	33 Olive St	\$670,000
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Kennedy, Hui Selena	Bennett, Walter	376 Ocean Ave #709	\$475,000
382 Revere LLC	J&N Rt	382 Revere Beach Pkwy	\$790,000
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Dicarlo, Paul James	Burns, Nicole E	49 Ellerton St	\$380,000
Spinosa, John F	Batarsee, Alexis E	50 Marshall St	\$1,020,000
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Ms. Charrat and Ms. Tajmout presented the application. They said they will be serving halal food from their truck. The application was approved.

The commissioners also approved the renewal of the license for Atlantic Auto Body, 529 Broadway. Selavitch said that the commission had received notice from the Fire Dept. that a number of issues involving the business had been resolved.

The commission received the following communications in the past month:

1. Notification from the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) of acknowledgement of the approved change of hours for

Los Compadres Oaxaqueños, LLC d/b/a B & M Grill

2. Notification from the ABCC of the approval of transfer of an All Alcohol Package Store license to Javanpuri Corp. d/b/a Land of Liquor and Market, and pledge of license.
3. Notification from the ABCC of the approval of transfer of an All Alcohol Package Store license to 286 American Legion Highway, Inc. d/b/a Kappy's Fine Wine and Spirits, and pledge of license.
4. Notification from the ABCC of a Return of No Action on the application of Summit Hotel TRS 192, LLC, d/b/a Hampton Inn Revere.
5. Notice of a decision from the ABCC regarding

Premrang, Inc., d/b/a Gio's Liquors, for a violation of Massachusetts law prohibiting the sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages to anyone under 21 years of age.

According to the ABCC's decision, Gio's stipulated to the facts of a compliance check field report prior to the hearing on July 28, and accepted responsibility for the May 5 violation in which an underage operative, working under the supervision of investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, a 23.5-ounce can of Mike's Hard Strawberry Pineapple, for \$4.50. The underage operative was not asked for identification.

The ABCC issued a warning to the business.

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All-Time Greatness

Gemma Stamatopoulos will continue her track career at Union College

By Cary Shuman

Is she the greatest female athlete of all-time at Revere High School?

We'll leave that to the sports historians, but when Gemma Stamatopoulos arrives on campus at highly selective Union College next week, the Revere High School Class of 2026 graduate will do so with 17 school indoor and outdoor track records, multiple Greater Boston League individual and relay titles, and GBL and Silvio Cella Athlete of the Year Awards in a career that Athletic Director Frank Shea describes as "truly spectacular."

"Gemma's also an outstanding student so you have to applaud her excellence in academics as well," lauded Shea.

Gemma also played five seasons in the RHS field hockey program. She was a two-time Greater Boston League All-Star and two-year captain, concluding her noteworthy career under head coach Victoria Correia.

Praise from her track coach

Racquel MacDonald-Ciambelli, Gemma's indoor and outdoor coach, affirmed that the 5-foot-5-inch four-year standout deserves her spot among the school's all-time greats.

"I only set three records," said MacDonald-Ciambelli, herself a former RHS track superstar in the hurdles event who went on to compete at Boston College.

"To set 17 records is just an awesome achievement."

MacDonald said Stamatopoulos' athleticism was apparent from her freshman season of outdoor track (after competing for the cheer team the previous winter).

"It was clear that she was definitely talented," recalled MacDonald-Ciambelli. "She was fast, but I think more so, it was her work ethic that was obvious from the start. She obviously had a little bit of running experience in the past, and we knew she could run for a little longer. And she was open to trying different events, from the 100 meters to the two-mile, which is always so exciting as a track coach. So having someone like that was really how I knew she was going to amount to something great. She holds the records, everything from the 4 X 100 meter relay all the way to the 800 meters, so her depth and her range is something that's been unmatched throughout the whole GBL, her whole time here."

Stamatopoulos' work ethic was also unparalleled in the program.

"I only get to work with athletes two hours a day, so to get to the level that Gemma reached, it has to be her wanting to put in the extra time, and that's something that has always been true with Gemma," credited MacDonald-Ciambelli. "I can't take too much credit. She's just a great athlete and had the best attitude of all of the girls I ever coached. She was also a great teammate

that the other athletes could ask for advice and support."

But Gemma humbly credits MacDonald-Ciambelli for being such a positive influence in her athletic career.

"My coach, Racquel, has been a mentor to me since my eighth-grade season and led me to become passionate about track," said Gemma. "She truly cares that my teammates and I learn and enjoy the sport more than any medal or title. I am fortunate to have such a special relationship with her and wouldn't have gotten this far without her guidance and support."

Posse Scholarship recipient

The daughter of John and Leanne Stamatopoulos, Gemma is the recipient of a scholarship from the Posse Foundation which offers prestigious, full-tuition leadership and merit scholarships to top-tier colleges in the United States.

"I am honored to be recipient of the Posse Scholarship," said Gemma.

In addition to her athletic career, Gemma was a member of the Red Cross Club, Student Senate, Mock Trial, and Student Council. She was also inducted into the Revere High chapter of the National Honor Society.

Reflecting on her historic career

Looking back at the past four years which also consisted of her participation in community service projects, Gemma offered, "I'm



RHS track star Gemma Stamatopoulos is shown after her school record-setting performance in the 800 meter run at the Adidas Track Indoor National Meet in Virginia Beach in March of this year.

very lucky that I had such a good support system – my teammates, my coaches, my family. They all really pushed me to be my best self and cheered me on in each event. Having that support system and a such a positive mental standpoint toward everything was really important for me to get there."

Stamatopoulos was a member of the Revere Pop Warner cheer team for eight years (advancing to Nationals twice) and continued in that sport as a freshman.

"I always thought that would be my main sport, and then I started track in the spring, and I fell in love it," said Gemma.

She began to realize that some high-level achievements in her career were attainable late in her freshman season.

"In the last meet of my freshman year, I had a really big PR (personal record) in the 800, and two other PRs in my two other events that day," she recalled. "I think knowing that I could improve by that much in one season, I felt that if I really stuck with it and it was something that I was really passionate about, I could continue to get better."

By her sophomore year, Stamatopoulos was off and running – starting a streak of individual GBL championship in the 600 and the two mile. During outdoor season, she added a GBL title in the 800. She repeated her indoor titles the next season and showed her versatility by winning the high jump and 800 titles. In her senior year, she claimed four more GBL titles, striking gold in the 600, the 4 X 800 relay, the 800, and the 400-meter hurdles.

She also enjoyed success in state competitions, submitting record-breaking performances in the 800 and

the outdoor pentathlon.

"I was also very lucky to go to Nationals with my best friends (sprint medley relay teammates Zizi Kalliavas, Danni Hope Randall, and Rania Hamdani)," so we all cheered each other on," said Gemma.

'Looking up' to her sister

Gemma, 18, said she was always inspired by her older sister, Bella, 20, who was a talented three-sport athlete at Revere High School.

"I always looked up to her, and as much as we're best friends, we're also each other's biggest competitors," said an appreciative Gemma, who also has a younger brother, Kosta. "She was the one who got me into field hockey, and she's always cheering me on."

Gemma said her numerous accomplishments wouldn't have happened without her parents being there all the time.

"They were at every single meet," said Gemma. "They're the best. They always have the snacks. They're the loudest ones cheering me on. I'm very lucky to have them."

Gemma will leave Sept. 4 for Union College where she will major in urban design. She has begun training and workouts for the Chargers' indoor track season.

If there were a Revere High School Hall of Fame, Gemma Stamatopoulos would be a unanimous first-ballot inductee.

"Honestly, when I think about my career, it surprises me because I grew up always loving cheer," said Gemma. "And then my sister got me to branch out and try field hockey. I loved that, too, and then track became my new thing. I'm glad I was able to get out of my comfort zone and get into sports I didn't know I'd be interested in. I also want to thank all my teachers at Revere High who were just great and so very supportive."

Fresh & Local // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

What to Make and What to Buy

We all have factors that influence whether we buy or make a dish. You may love homemade pizza but hate making the dough. You can purchase pizza dough in many places today.

You may feel that cook-

ing certain foods creates too much mess or odor in your kitchen, and opt to add something like salmon to your meal, using a cooked takeout piece or a canned version from your pantry.

Today, more high-quality foods are available in cans, and in many cases they are prepared in a variety of fla-

vors, making them the centerpiece of your meal when served over rice or grains with a side salad.

The next time you're trying to decide what's for dinner and the idea of making a big mess or doing a lot of cleanup is pushing you away from your choices, think about which part

of the meal you can easily delegate by visiting a store, restaurant, or your own pantry.

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SPOTLIGHT

Enjoy the flavors of a classic New England summer in this very special episode of "Fabulous Foods with Victoria Fabbo." Victoria features the fantastic Tallena Wiggins as her guest chef! Victoria and Tallena come together to create the perfect summer dish, lobster rolls served with a fresh corn salad and coleslaw. They share stories about family, food, and their careers while walking you through each step of this delicious recipe. Follow along on your own by watching this episode on RevereTV's YouTube channel, or tune in to the Community Channel daily through the month of August.

The Revere Commission on Disabilities invited everyone to attend All Abilities Beach Day this past Saturday at Revere Beach. This inclusive event is designed each year to ensure that individuals of all abilities can enjoy a day at the beach with fewer barriers. RevereTV went to All Abilities Day to interview the organizers and catch a look at all the fun that was had. This short video is now posted to YouTube and scheduled on the RTV Community Channel. Follow @RevereTV on Instagram to get the first look at all city events covered by the studio.

Join the community on this upcoming Saturday, August 22nd, for Bocce on the Beach! This event benefits the Rumney Marsh Burial Ground, helping preserve and protect an important part of Revere's local history. Whether you're playing or cheering from the sidelines, it's a great opportunity to enjoy Revere Beach and support the city. RevereTV will be there to catch some of the competition so tune in next week to see the highlights!

On August 4th, Revere City Hall proudly hosted an Ellie Fund event dedicated to raising awareness and supporting individuals and families impacted by breast cancer. Representatives from the Ellie Fund along with community leaders shared powerful remarks and personal experiences highlighting the importance of support, early detection, and access to resources. The full recording of this event is posted to YouTube to watch at your convenience, but it is also still scheduled within the daily meeting replay rotation on RTV GOV.

Replays of event coverage from many summer events so far are still scheduled on the Community Channel. Watch the Peruvian and Colombian Independence Day celebrations, as well as short videos of the International Sand Sculpting Festival, City Hall's Resource Day, National Night Out, and the Revere Beach Farmer's Market. Some other programs currently scheduled are the Revere Historical Society's Rock Show, Jewish Stories from Revere Beach, and the International Karate Championships. All of these programs and more can be watched on the RTV Community Channel which is 8 and 1072 on Comcast and 3 and 614 on RCN.

MARTELLI SISTERS HOLD 15TH ANNUAL ALEX’S LEMONADE STAND FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH



The hosts and organizers of the 15th Annual Alex’s Lemonade, Jordan Martelli and Kayla Martelli.

Cary Shuman Photos

The Lemonettes, Revere sisters Kayla Martelli and Jordan Martelli, held their 15th Annual Alex’s Lemonade Stand to benefit the Foundation for Childhood Cancer.

The Martellis have raised tens of thousands of dollars for cancer research.

Kayla is an oncology nurse at Massachusetts General Hospital. Jordan is a sophomore at Merrimack College studying forensic science.

They are the daughters of Don and Susan Martelli.



Jordan Martelli and Kayla Martelli welcome Amanda Bonasoro and her children, Lainee Bonasoro (8 months) Layla Bonasoro (2), and Lily Bonasoro (4) to their lemonade stand last Saturday, Aug. 22.



The Lemonettes, Jordan Martelli and Kayla Martelli, join Luke Ryan and Liz Ryan and their children, Olivia, Levi, and Liam for a photo Saturday on Dale Street.



Jordan Martelli and Kayla Martelli, pictured with lemonade stand customer Carl Svendsen.



Jordan Martelli, Zachary Kahn, and Kayla Martelli, pictured Saturday at the 15th Annual Alex’s Lemonade Stand fundraiser.

Aquarium documents 2,000 animals, including whale sharks, during aerial survey

Special to the Journal

Aerial survey observers with the New England Aquarium sighted more than 2,000 animals during a recent flight over the Northeast Canyons and Seamount Marine National Monument, showcasing the area’s extraordinary biodiversity.

Scientists with the Aquarium’s Anderson Cabot Center for Ocean Life flew over the Monument in their survey airplane on August 16 and sighted 15 different marine species. The team initially counted 1,800 dolphins across four species and later sighted a sperm whale, humpback whale, and an endangered fin whale mother and calf feeding in the area. The scientists were also excited to see 11 whale sharks plus manta rays, devil rays, Chilean devil rays, and hammerhead sharks, all warm-water species that highlight the biodiversity of the Monument, especially in the summer.

“The diversity of sightings was truly remarkable and a testament to why the Monument is such a special habitat,” said Katherine McKenna, an associate research scientist in the Aquarium’s Anderson Cabot Center. “From regular visitors like dolphins and sperm whales, to large baleen whales drawn by aggregations of zooplankton and whale sharks and manta rays following warm Gulf Stream waters, the Monument brings together an incredible variety of marine life.”

During the flight, the sci-

entists also documented an endangered blue whale and a small group of endangered fin whales feeding just outside the Monument.

Created in 2016, the Monument is a nearly 5,000-square-mile underwater sanctuary that lies 130 miles southeast of Cape Cod. The habitat has four underwater seamounts (or underwater mountains) and three deep-sea canyons, where a vast array of species feed. In 2022, after observing the high number of marine animals, Anderson Cabot Center researchers published a study in Conservation Science and Practice using more than 180,000 sightings from U.S. East Coast waters to show that the Monument supports a diverse and unique marine mammal community. Earlier this year, the Trump Administration rolled back some protections for the Monument, allowing commercial fishing.

“Seeing a variety of threatened and endangered species actively feeding in the Monument was particularly memorable and underscores the importance of protecting this productive habitat,” McKenna said.

The Aquarium last flew over the Monument on July 13, 2026. During that flight, scientists identified nearly 650 animals, including over 600 dolphins, a group of four endangered sperm whales, 23 pilot whales, and a whale shark.

The New England Aquarium is a nonprofit research and conservation organization that has protected and cared for our ocean and marine animals for more than 55 years. We provide science-based solutions and help shape policies that create measurable change to address threats the ocean faces. We inspire action through discovery and help create engaged, resilient communities.



A whale shark sighted during a New England Aquarium aerial survey over the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument on Aug. 16, 2026.



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Women honored // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

“Tonight is truly a special and historic moment for the Revere City Council, as we unveil these portraits, we honor three remarkable women,” said Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya.

The three councillors broke barriers and helped pave the way for every woman who followed them onto the city council, Guarino-Sawaya said.

“In a time when very few women held elected office, (O’Hara) stepped forward, took her place in this chamber, and opened the door that had never been opened before,” Guarino-Sawaya said. “She not only broke a barrier, but also helped

establish the presence of women in local government in Revere.”

Curcio continued that progress when she was the first woman elected to represent Ward 3, she added.

“She was a strong voice for her neighborhood, advocating for the needs of her constituents and ensuring that Ward 3 residents were heard in every city decision,” said Guarino-Sawaya. “Her election demonstrated that women not only belonged at this table, but could also effectively represent and lead their community.”

As the first woman council president, Guarino-Sawaya said that Penn helped guide the work of the council and set an example of what women could achieve in positions of authority in city government.

“Tonight is about much more than hanging three portraits on a wall,” said Guarino-Sawaya.

“For many years, when we looked around these council chambers, we saw the faces of men who helped shape Revere’s history. But Margaret, Elvira, and Catherine were part of that history, too.

“They served in this chamber, represented the people of Revere, and helped shape the city.”



Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya honors three former female city councillors with the unveiling of memorial portraits in the City Council chambers on Monday night.



The family of former City Councillor Vera Curcio at Monday night’s memorial portrait unveiling at City Hall.



Members of former Councillor Vera Curcio’s family with the current council Monday night.



The family of former Councillor Catherine Penn with the current city council.



Former Councillor Peggy O’Hara’s family with O’Hara’s new memorial portrait in the council chambers on Monday night.



The family of former City Councillor Catherine Penn at Monday night’s memorial portrait unveiling in City Council chambers.

A RECEPTION FOR LT. GOVERNOR KIM DRISCOLL AT VALSOS TABLE AND BAR ON SHIRLEY AVENUE SPONSORED BY JAMIE RUSSO AND DANIEL AND STEPHEN PASSACANTILLI



Strong union support from the carpenters for Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, also shown is State Representative Jeffery Rosario Turco (2nd from right).

Shirley Ave was a busy place on Tuesday morning, with the visit from Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll in town. A breakfast meet and greet with the popular Lt. Governor was held at Valsos Table and Bar located at 139 Shirley Avenue.

Local businessman Jamie Russo along with Daniel and Stephen Passacantilli showed their support of the Lieutenant Governor by sponsoring this event. Mayor Patrick Keefe, Senator Lydia Edwards, State Representative Jeffery Rosario Turco along with Council President Tony Zambuto and Council Vice President Angela Guarino Sawaya joined their colleagues in government to support Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll.



Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll was welcomed to Revere by Mayor Patrick Keefe Jr. and host of the event, and local developer Jamie Russo (right)



Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll with Councillors Angela Guarino Sawaya, Joanne McKenna, and Marc Silvestri.



Owner Alvaro Garcia of Valsos Table and Bar on Shirley Avenue, is shown with his friend and host of the breakfast with Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, Jamie Russo.



Revere Council President Tony Zambuto with Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll.



The Russo family, Dominic, Lorenzo and Jamie welcomed Mayor Patrick Keefe Jr. to Valsos Table and Bar Tuesday morning.

Governor Healey, New England Governors sound alarm over proposed energy merger

Special to the Journal

Last week, Governor Maura Healey joined other New England states in raising serious concerns about NextEra Energy’s proposed acquisition of Dominion Energy and its impact on costs. If approved, the merger would give the company significant control over energy resources in New England and across the country. In New England, the combined company would own the region’s two remaining nuclear power plants that supply nearly a

quarter of New England’s electricity.

The states, through the New England States Committee on Electricity (NESCOE), are calling for careful federal review of the merger and its potential impacts on electricity costs, competition, and reliability.

“I have serious concerns about the impacts of the NextEra-Dominion merger on families and businesses that are already paying too much for energy,” said Governor Healey. “NextEra has a troubling record of driving up energy bills

and preventing Massachusetts from building the energy infrastructure we need to power our communities. This merger would give this company tremendous leverage over our energy future. Federal regulators need to closely scrutinize what this would mean for customer bills, competition, and the reliability of our energy system. My administration will be intervening at the federal level to defend our communities from higher energy bills.”

In the joint statement, New England states called

out both companies for past actions that drove up energy costs in the region. NextEra spent \$20 million to block the New England Clean Energy Connect transmission line, delaying the project for years. The Maine Ethics Commission ultimately fined two opposition groups for failing to disclose NextEra’s financial backing. Further, a NextEra subsidiary was ordered to refund millions after charging ratepayers for a proposed transmission project that was never built. Additionally, Dominion Energy pressured

Connecticut to enter into a long-term agreement after threatening to close Millstone Power Station.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) and the Attorney General’s Office have both filed motions to intervene in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) proceeding overseeing the merger. The Healey-Driscoll Administration is working with NESCOE on next steps.

“On behalf of Massachusetts ratepayers, my office is closely reviewing this

proposed merger and evaluating its potential impact on retail ratemaking, resource adequacy, and wholesale market operations,” said Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell. “The size and scope of these companies’ existing portfolios, along with their historical business practices, raise significant questions. My office intends to participate in the open FERC proceeding and continue to advocate before federal regulators to protect the interests of Massachusetts residents.”

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU25P1066EA

Estate of:
Ediberto Centeno
Also Known As: Tito Centeno
Date of Death: 02/14/2025

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Alicia J Centeno of Natick MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Alicia J Centeno of Natick MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/27/2026.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 23, 2026
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE
City of Revere
MASSACHUSETTS
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Notice of Public Hearing
Pursuant to Mass General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection

Act, the Revere Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on September 2, 2026, at 6:30 P.M., in the City of Revere Council Chambers on the second floor of the Revere City Hall, on a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by the City of Revere for public sewer installation within North Shore Road, and 151 and 190 VFW Parkway in Revere, MA. The application is on file and is available for public inspection in the Department of Planning and Community Development at 281 Broadway, Revere, MA on Monday through Thursday from 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Application and meeting information may also be obtained by contacting the Conservation Commission by emailing concom@revere.org.

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LEGAL NOTICE
City of Revere,
MASSACHUSETTS
INVITATION FOR BIDS
ADA COUNTER
RENOVATIONS
AT REVERE CITY HALL

MUN-2026-1014
This bid is for the ADA Counter Renovations at Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts located at 281 Broadway, Revere, MA in accordance with the Contract Documents prepared by Gienapp Architects, LLC, 20 Conant Street, Danvers, MA 01923. The estimated cost for this project is \$230,000.00. General bids will only be considered from bidders holding a Certificate of Eligibility from DCAMM in the category of General Construction and in a single project amount higher than the amount of their bid. General bids must be accompanied by a copy of the Contractor’s DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and a DCAMM Update Statement. Filed Sub-bids in the category of Metal Windows must be accompanied by a copy of the Contractor’s DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and a DCAMM Update Statement. Sealed bids for the Sub-bid Contract will be received at the CITY OF REVERE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, 281 BROADWAY, REVERE, MA 02151, prior to 10:00 AM on September 17, 2026, after which time all bids will be opened and read aloud. Sealed bids for the General Contract will be received at the CITY OF REVERE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, 281 BROADWAY, REVERE, MA 02151, prior to 10:00 AM on September 24, 2026, after which time all bids will be opened and read aloud. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained electronically from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, beginning August 27, 2026 at purchasing@revere.org. For additional information,

please contact Michael Piccardi, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, 781-286-8157. Revere City Hall office hours are Monday thru Thursday, 8:15 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday’s 8:15 AM to 12:15 PM. Revere City Hall will be closed on September 7, 2026 in observance of Labor Day.

A Pre-Bid meeting shall be held at Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA on September 8, 2026 at 1:00 PM. Bidders should meet in the City Council Chambers located on the 2nd Floor.

Bids shall be submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a certified or treasurer’s check from a bank or trust company or money order of not less than five percent (5%) of its bid. The selected contractor shall provide Performance and Payment Bonds in the full amount of contract price. The City’s right is reserved to reject any or all bids or any part of a bid, which in the opinion of the City Purchasing Agent is most advantageous to the City of Revere. Complete instructions for filing bids are included in the Instructions to Bidders. Minimum wage rates as determined by the Commissioner of Department

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of Workforce Development under the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, §26 to §27H, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Contractor, before bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on minimum wage rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed work under this contract. The City of Revere is an equal opportunity employer. It is the policy of the City of Revere to take positive steps to maximize the utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE). The City of Revere has established a goal of five percent (5%) participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in all construction projects. The bidding and award of this contract will be under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 149. No bidder may withdraw their bid within thirty (30) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Michael Piccardi Purchasing Agent

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City of Revere, MA
Public Hearing Notice
Notice is hereby given,

in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17, Chapter 17.56, Sections 17.56.010 – 17.56.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere, that (a) the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday, September 28, 2026, 2026 at 6:00PM in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts 02151, and (b) the Revere Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 at 5:30PM in the City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151, relative to the following proposed amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere:

An Ordinance Further Amending the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Revere Relative to Body Art Establishments.

Be it ordained by the City of Revere, MA as follows:

Section 1. Section 17.16.048A is hereby amended by deleting this section in its entirety.

Section 2. Section 17.16.048 is hereby amended by relettering the remaining subsections A, B, C accordingly.

A copy of the aforementioned proposed ordinance is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15AM to 5:00PM and on Friday 8:15AM to 12:15PM. If unable to attend the public hearing, proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing to amelnik@revere.org on or before September 23, 2026.
Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE
Public Hearing
City of Revere, MA

Notice is hereby given that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, September 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts relative to the following proposed amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere:

An Ordinance Further Amending Section 12.04.280 Street Closure Notice of the Revere Revised Ordinances.

Be it ordained by the City of Revere, MA as follows: Section 1. Section 12.04.280 Street Closure Notice is hereby amended by deleting the section in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following new section:

Section 12.04.280 Street-closure notice to Fire Chief, Chief of Police, and City Council.

In the event any street is to be closed due to repairs, opening of trenches in or any temporary occupation of any street, way or traveled place in the city by any public service corporation or by a private contractor or corporation, notice of the same shall be given by such corporation or contractor to the Chief of the Fire Department, the Chief of Police, and the City Council of the City of Revere at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of such closure or work.

Such notice shall set forth the location, general extent, anticipated duration, and expected hours of the work or street closure contemplated.

In the event of an emergency requiring the immediate closure, opening, obstruction, or occupation of a street, way, or traveled place, the

twenty-four-hour notice requirement shall not apply; provided, however, that notice shall be given to the Chief of the Fire Department, the Chief of Police, and the City Council as soon as practicable following the determination that such emergency work or closure is necessary.

A copy of the aforementioned proposed ordinance is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15AM to 5:00PM and on Friday 8:15AM to 12:15PM. If unable to attend the public hearing, proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing to amelnik@revere.org on or before September 23, 2026.
Attest:
Ashley E. Melnik
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LEGAL NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK DIVISION
Docket No. SU23PO485

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of: Jorge M Melo, Sr.
Date of Death: November 8, 2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jorge M Melo Jr. of Revere, MA, Robert A Napolitano of Chatham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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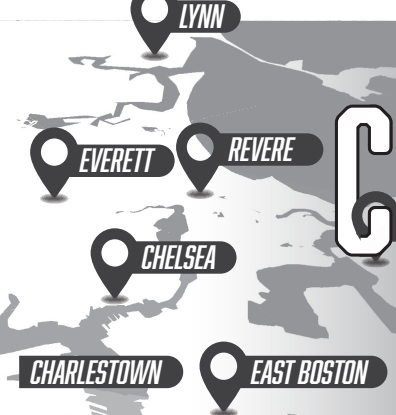
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