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Seventy-year-old Massachusetts House Speaker Robert DeLeo, who served for nearly 30 years in the House, and a dozen as Speaker, delivered his farewell remarks on December 29, at the House of Representatives Chamber at the State House.

A look back at 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic and Mayor Brian Arrigo and his administration's response to the unprecedented health crisis was the top story in Revere for 2020.

Mayor Arrigo was universally lauded for reacting quickly and decisively as the pandemic hit Revere very hard from the outset.

Arrigo established a COVID-19 emergency response team headed by Kim Hanton. The mayor held virtual town halls with health officials and kept an anxious citizenry updated daily on all aspects of the city's response to crisis.

Food pantry operations were mobilized to assist those residents who were most severely impacted by the pandemic.

When individual testing for COVID-19 became available, residents took advantage of the testing sites in the city. Gov. Charlie Baker joined Mayor Arrigo in announcing a regional express COVID-19 testing site at Suffolk Downs.

All aspects of life in Revere were affected by the coronavirus. The Revere schools went to a remote-learning process. The Revere High spring

and fall sports seasons were canceled in their entirety following a highly successful fall 2019 campaign under the leadership of Athletic Director Frank Shea. Revere restaurants were closed but are now operating at limited seating capacity. The Revere Sand Sculpting Festival that annually draws one million visitors to Revere Beach was canceled.

The Revere City Council and School Committee, as well as other boards in the city, held their meetings on Zoom, in addition to the fine broadcasting capabilities demonstrated by Revere TV Executive Director Bob Dunbar and his staff.

Today the COVID-19 pandemic is still hammering the city and Mayor Arrigo and his administration are continuing their efforts in helping residents in these unprecedented times. The announcement this month that a vaccine had become available for distribution has lifted spirits and the hope is that life will return to normal soon.

DeLeo leaves as Speaker; Vincent announces her retirement
As it turned out, the big-



January 2020, Brian Michael Arrigo takes the oath of office as mayor at the Inauguration Ceremony of the City Government of Revere.

gest political story of the year hit during the final week of 2020.

Speaker Robert A. DeLeo, who has served as state representative for Winthrop and Revere since 1991, announced Monday that he would be resigning as Speaker of the House and state representative. He delivered his farewell address in the House Chambers Tuesday afternoon.

State Rep. RoseLee Vincent had announced in February that she would be retiring from the position she has held for the past six years. The City Council honored Vincent with an outpouring of praise and respect for the outstanding manner in which she had represented Revere on Beacon Hill.

DeLeo disclosed last Friday that he was in negotiations with Northeastern University, his alma mater, about a teaching position at the school.

Giannino elected state representative

With the retirement of State Rep. RoseLee Vincent in the 16th Suffolk District, two candidates, Councilor-at-Large Jessica Giannino and Joe Gravellese ran for the seat in the Democratic Primary on Sept. 1.

It was a hard-fought election with two excellent candidates campaigning vigorously despite the COVID-19 pandemic eliminating the usual campaign receptions and door-to-door visits with residents.

Giannino and Gravellese faced off in the Revere Journal Candidates Debate, an historic event in that it was the first live broadcast at the new Revere TV headquarters

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It's Official

DeLeo leaves as Speaker of House

By Cary Shuman

Robert A. DeLeo of Winthrop, who was elected to the Mass. House of Representatives in 1990 and went on to serve as Speaker of the House for 12 years, delivered his farewell address in the House Chambers at the State House in Boston Tuesday afternoon.

The speech marked the end of a legendary political career for DeLeo, who served as a Winthrop Town Meeting member and a member of the Board of Selectmen before running successfully for the seat that encompasses a large portion of Revere and all of Winthrop.

In a letter to House Clerk Steve T. James Monday, DeLeo wrote: "It has been an honor and privilege serving as a Member of this institution for almost 30 years. The faith and trust my colleagues placed in me by electing me as their Speaker for a record 6 consecutive terms fills me with a profound sense of gratitude and appreciation. My pride in what we have collectively accomplished over the last 12 years will never be diminished."

DeLeo is beloved in Winthrop, where such honors as the naming of the senior center, the Rob-

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Mamta Harrington, of Revere, a PCA2 at Newton Wellesley Hospital, receives her COVID vaccine.

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ert A. DeLeo Senior Center, attest to the respect and admiration townspeople had for the man many knew warmly as “Bob.”

DeLeo was exceptionally popular in Revere as well, producing a lengthy list of legislative accomplishments that helped improve the lives of residents in the district and statewide.

Councilor-at-Large and State Rep.-Elect Jessica Giannino thanked Speaker DeLeo for his outstanding representation of the district.

“I want to express my gratitude and appreciation to Speaker DeLeo for his thirty years of dedication and service to the people of Revere and Winthrop,” said Giannino. “Even before he was Speaker of the House, Bob DeLeo was always there for the people of Revere and Winthrop. He is a man of compassion, and despite his high-ranking office, he has always remained personable and accessible to his constituents - never forgetting where he came from. Revere has been so very fortunate to have Speaker DeLeo as one of our champions at the State House, and we will miss him dearly. On a personal note, I am sad that will not have the opportunity to serve alongside him in the House, but I am grateful for his many years of friendship and guidance. I wish him well in his future endeavors,” said Giannino.

Revere City Council President Patrick Keefe also praised the retiring Speaker.

“It’s not often you have the opportunity to work directly with a legend or a giant,” said Keefe. “Speaker DeLeo is as close as they come for us in this district.

“Speaker DeLeo’s approachable and humble demeanor, representing Revere and Winthrop, always felt like we were his only priority. Meanwhile in the background he was one of the most powerful public officials in the Commonwealth with his even-keeled approach in handling the state’s affairs. Speaker DeLeo’s impact on this region will be realized for years to come. I wish him well at Northeastern. His leadership will be sorely missed in Revere, Winthrop, and at the State House,” said Keefe.

Ward 1 Councilor Joanne McKenna offered this tribute to Speaker DeLeo:

“Well before I was a city councilor, Speaker Bob DeLeo supported me and helped me to achieve some major issues facing Revere.

One issue that we accomplished together was working with Massport to get a beacon on top of the Mary T. Ronan Assisted Living Facility which is the highest point in Beachmont. When the planes fly over the neigh-

borhood during inclement weather, the beacon guides the planes safely over the hill.

This is just one of many accomplishments that were achieved over the years.

Bob DeLeo was a wonderful friend to Revere and he will solely be missed.”

Winthrop Town Manager Austin Faison and Town Council President Philip Boncore issued the following statement on the resignation of House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo:

“As it is for many, the news that House Speaker DeLeo will be stepping down from his role to pursue a job at Northeastern University is bittersweet for us.

Following is the text of Speaker DeLeo address to the House of Representatives in the House Chambers:

I’ve spoken to you from this Chamber many times. This time is different for many reasons. While this isn’t the farewell speech I’ve contemplated, I’m pleased to join you - even if remotely - because this format is a reflection of the way this Chamber has adjusted to COVID and accomplished so much this year. I’m proud of that.

And it’s different because this is the last time I will speak to you as both a Member, and as Speaker, of this esteemed body.

As I begin, I’d like to recognize some very important people, the people who were behind me before I became Speaker and stood by me through both triumph and, well, less than triumphant times. As elected officials we all go through difficult moments. It’s part of the job description, especially the Speaker’s job description.

Our families, however, must also go through the difficult moments with us. Through my almost 30 years as member of this body and through every day of my almost 12 years as your Speaker, my family has been there in good and bad times. Words are inadequate to express my gratitude to my partner Vicki, my daughter Rachele, my son Rob, my sister Carol and of course my two granddaughters, Autumn and Anna. I love you more than you will ever know.

I can’t be here without thinking of those who didn’t get to see me become Speaker but who provided the foundation for so much that followed - my parents, Al and Anna, who taught me values like hard work and persistence, fairness and respect. My mother worked in the school cafeteria.

She was the type of lunch lady who could tell when a student was hungry. She made sure each kid was fed - whether or not they had money - and was treated with dignity. She taught me everyone deserves an equal shot in life. It’s the job of legisla-

tors to make sure people get that.

I stand before you with great humility. Sitting in my office last night for one of the last times, I thought back to the night before I was elected as Speaker. I remember visiting the Chamber at dusk, thinking of it like one of the famous ballparks I like to visit, and feeling immense gratitude that I would be leading this esteemed institution; an institution I had revered my entire career.

Sometimes it feels like those 12 years went by in an instant. Yet during that time Massachusetts has been led by two governors, from opposite parties, and four Senate Presidents.

And this House has passed major legislation with all of them. I send my thanks to Governor Baker and Senate President Spilka, the latter with whom I also served in the House.

Madam President - I am grateful for your leadership and friendship, particularly this session, as our two Chambers collaborated to meet the moment. Governor Baker - I know you’ll continue to have a productive working relationship with the Legislature. I value our friendship and I’ll miss talking North Shore sports with you.

I took office only days after President Obama was inaugurated, and now we stand on the eve of a new Administration. Our sports teams have exceeded my wildest expectations: during my time as Speaker we’ve seen 6 sports championships, three Super Bowls, two World Series, and a Stanley Cup, and those trophies have come to this Chamber. And don’t forget the multiple Beanpots for Northeastern!

If there were a trophy for legislative achievements, each and every member of this House deserves it. And no one is prouder than I to call you my teammates. The laws we drafted, debated and worked to implement have become national models - such as our landmark gun safety and health care cost reform laws.

I highlight these laws because they speak to the power of what we can achieve when we approach policy making with open minds - leaving behind entrenched ideas - and a commitment to being a force for good. Mr. Leader - both of these nation-leading laws would not have been possible without your wisdom and negotiating skills. With your commonsense know-how and your understanding on how policies affect people, you have provided inordinate value to the House of Representatives.

You are a tremendous friend and a wise counselor. Perhaps most importantly, in our three decades serving together, I have witnessed you mentor many Members - the House is better off because of your openness to the relationships that make the House what it is, at its best. Thank you.

I came to this Chamber in 1991 as the representative from Winthrop and Revere. I had been active in town meeting and a selectman, and I arrived with a strong desire to represent my district - so much so that my colleagues liked to say “Bob, you’re not a selectman any longer.”

In the ensuing years, I would come to learn that central to the role

of Speaker is recognizing that each and every Member, regardless of their political persuasion, is sent to Beacon Hill with the exact same mandate: To ably represent their 40,000 constituents. Throughout my tenure, I strove to listen deeply to my colleagues, keep an open mind, and identify solutions that work for the Commonwealth - from the Berkshires to Boston.

As Speaker, I’ve been fortunate to have a unique vantage point into each Member’s district. During much of my tenure here, I sat near Ellen Story who represented Amherst. She was a proud progressive from an academic and rural community, and I was an urban centrist. We didn’t seem to have much in common.

But we talked and debated and, became friends; she ultimately became a member of our leadership team. While just one example, that relationship demonstrated to me the incredible value of listening, exchanging ideas and crafting workable solutions that serve the Commonwealth . . . as a whole.

And while our solutions may not always receive accolades with those who want us to move faster; or win the blessing of political pundits, our legislation fulfills the exact mandate I spoke of earlier. Our deliberative process results in laws that are representative of the diverse perspectives and needs of this great Commonwealth’s constituents. As such they carry “the moral force that the American political system can summon when it acts as one,” to paraphrase President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Contemplating the distinct needs of your communities has showed me how to balance my responsibilities as the representative from the 19th Suffolk District with those as Speaker.

With that, let me take one moment to give you a piece of advice: If you are invited to your colleagues’ districts, go. Go humbly, and listen. Listen to each other. You will learn more than you could imagine.

But I learned this lesson the hard way - dress appropriately! You don’t need a suit and tie on a farm.

It may be out of fashion - though I hope it will come back into vogue with President-Elect Biden - my experience as Speaker has underlined the importance of valuing differing perspectives and learning from people. This is something I have done so often with my friend, the Minority Leader, and more broadly, our friends across the aisle. Mr. Leader, thank you.

I always like to say politics is about people. Simply put - I refuse to bow to cynics. I will always believe the role of state Representative is a force for good. During my years as Speaker, the most impactful meetings I’ve had have been with young folks and families facing hardships, often in situations I couldn’t relate to. In the early part of my legislative career, it was listening to families who faced cuts to special education. I understood we had to stand up for the children that needed those services. More than once, these conversations have resulted in landmark legislation:

- Protections for transgender individuals. There are many Members, past

and present, I have to thank here, but would like to especially recognize the Gentledady from Provincetown.

- A series of Economic Development packages that placed a premium on students and our youngest innovators. I must recognize my friend from Chocopee for his unyielding work to spur growth and create a more resilient economy.

- The creation of the nation’s first autonomous Early Education and Care Department. There are so many here to recognize as we continue to advocate for meaningful funding, but I must single out the Gentledady from Somerset.

- Criminal justice reform, and more recently, police reform. My sincerest gratitude to the Gentledady from Easton for her guidance and friendship.

- Funding for high-quality education to students across the state, regardless of zip code or income level. I will be forever grateful to the Gentledady from Wellesley for her intellect, insight and dogged dedication.

As I look back, I can see the faces of the young people I’ve spoken to, their passion and their pain, and know that this House made a difference.

In each way these bills have been the product of the relationships the members of this Chamber enjoy. I treasure my friendships with each of you. It is from you that I have learned so much. Thank you.

And, even now, thanks to video conferences and conference calls, I’ve been able to continue to learn. While I have to admit I prefer in person meetings, I felt fortunate to be able to hear from folks, via conference calls and Zoom, on issues like police reform and reproductive rights this year. Yes, we had to remake our storied traditions and create a new way of holding session due to COVID-19, but our work product has been more vital than ever.

Key to our consistency and success has been sound budgeting. Aided by the Committee on Ways & Means, we’ve built up the rainy day fund and prompted rating agencies to give Massachusetts the highest bond rating in our history.

With Chairman Dempsey, we reformed municipal health insurance, saving the cities and towns of the Commonwealth \$500 million a year. And Chairman Sanchez showed me how EEC providers, like the folks at Nurtury, make a lasting difference in the lives of children.

But I have to single out the Gentleman from the North End for his extraordinary efforts this challenging and entirely unique session. He has been a superior chair of Ways & Means, and I thank him. Moreover, he has been a true friend. He is a special person in every sense of the word, whose relatively short tenure has been marked by values of listening to his colleagues and learning from them. In turn, he has become a trusted confidant who I always know I can trust - whether it is for political advice, policy input, or who should hit clean up for the Red Sox.

I wish I could take the time here to single out each and every Member of leadership and our outstanding chairs. The

Gentlemen from Medford, Brighton and Stoughton; The Gentledadies from Gloucester and Stow: Your contributions to the House, to the team and to me as a friend are too many to list. Thank you.

I have to recognize the members of my staff for their work. First two people who were with me long ago and meant so much to this Speakership:

Jim Eisenberg
Toby Morelli
My longtime friend Lenny Mirasolo.

House Counsel Jim Kennedy

My current staff:
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Sofia Forgione
Mattie Miles
Joan Moscillo
Barbara Bishop
David Kirby
Brian Heffernan
Rose Marie Ottaviano

I also want to take a minute to thank all of the staff who keep this organization running—our House Clerk, Steve James, and his staff, the attorneys in House Counsel, the House Business Office, Ray Amaru and Gene DiPersio, our Court Officers, LIS, Engrossing and House Broadcasting, and of course our dear friends who are invaluable to this House, Michael and Chip.

I also want to send a special thanks to the staff of the Committee on Ways and Means. As a former chair I know firsthand the dedication you have and the hours you invest. I also want to acknowledge all the committee staff, researchers, staff directors and legislative aides who work tirelessly on behalf of this House and its Members. Thank you all.

I’ve been so lucky to get to know and advocate for the people of Winthrop and the City of Revere. These are two distinct places, where each and every individual means something special to me. From the time I was elected as a town meeting member in Winthrop, I’ve been so grateful to the people of my district for giving me the honor of representing them. I came from a town that played Revere on Thanksgiving, and the people of that city have always treated me like one of their own. My gratitude to the elected and appointed officials from both Winthrop and Revere, past and present; and to Representative Vincent and Senator Boncore.

I’m grateful too for the knowledge that my work has afforded me the opportunity to help folks from not only my district, but from around the Commonwealth. It will always be the privilege of my life to know that I made a difference when and where I could.

Finally, as I close, thank you. It’s so hard to say goodbye to this place and to people with whom I’ve worked so closely and love.

I know Massachusetts faces as great a challenge now with the pandemic.

But I have unyielding faith in this institution, its people and its leadership. The House will rise to the occasion, and our great state will continue to lead the nation.

Thank you, my friends. Thank you.

ALICIA DELVENTO

Dear Friends,
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Thank you, Speaker DeLeo

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Bob DeLeo: A great man who never forgot his roots

By Stephen Quigley

The announcement on Tuesday by Bob DeLeo that he will be leaving the Massachusetts House, where he has served as the state representative for the district encompassing Winthrop and the Beachmont section of Revere for 30 years (and as Speaker of the House for the past dozen years) brings to a conclusion a lifetime of public service dedicated to the residents of our communities.

Prior to serving in the House, Bob began his remarkable political career as an elected Town Meeting member in Winthrop in the late 1970s and then was elected to three terms as a selectman, encompassing nine years from 1979-88.

When you add it all up, Bob DeLeo has devoted well more than half of his 70 years to public service in the town in which he calls home.

Bob's tenure as speaker is the longest-ever in the history of our state, which by itself is quite an achievement. But that is just a number. His speakership was bookended by the two greatest calamities of our

lifetime.

He ascended to the office in January 2009, at the height of the Great Recession, and through his wealth of knowledge of local and state government finances, Bob brought a steadying influence that allowed Massachusetts to emerge from that cataclysmic economic event stronger than ever. His leadership during the past year of the COVID-19 pandemic, in which he has been a rock-solid partner with Governor Charlie Baker and public health officials, likewise has been a key reason why Massachusetts stands as leader in the United States for addressing this unprecedented event.

In between, and before, those two great calamities, Bob DeLeo, more than any person in state government, brought to fruition countless legislative achievements, ranging from gun control to protection for the environment to women's health to domestic violence to child welfare, among others, that will be of lasting benefit for future generations of Massachusetts residents.

But beyond his long list of honors and accomplish-

ments over the past 30 years, there are two things that stand out about Bob DeLeo.

The first is that he never forgot his roots.

Despite the great demands upon his time that came with the office of Speaker of the House, Bob DeLeo was first and foremost a local guy. Whether attending the Winthrop-Revere football game on Thanksgiving or being on hand for countless local events, Bob DeLeo made sure that his constituents always were in the forefront of his agenda.

The second is that Bob DeLeo served with a degree of humility and honesty that is unparalleled among those who attain such heights of public office.

If you were talking to him, you would never know that Bob DeLeo was regarded as the most powerful person in state politics. He never had an unkind word to say about anyone and worked well with both Democrats and Republicans. He showed a degree of respect for everyone, no matter their status.

It's easy to take potshots at our political leaders. A

Speaker of the House has to walk a fine line. If a speaker is laissez-faire, the House Chamber, which consists of 160 members, can become ungovernable. On the other hand, if a speaker is seen as too controlling, the House might be viewed as little more than a reflection of his own personality.

Bob DeLeo threaded that needle expertly thanks to his temperament, decency, and his core values which were instilled in him by his parents and his community. Bob DeLeo's 12 years as speaker has established a legacy that will serve as a blueprint for those who succeed him in that office.

Yes, the news of Bob's departure from political office was greeted by sadness by all of us who are his constituents. But change is an inevitable part of life. Every citizen of the Commonwealth owes Bob DeLeo a "Thank you" for his lifetime of service to making Massachusetts a better place and we wish him well in his future career at Northeastern University.



Speaker DeLeo (center) is shown with School Committee member Carol Tye and Councillor John Correggio.



Speaker DeLeo (second from right) meets with from left Ward 2 Councillor Ira Novoselsky, Ann Raponi and Ward 5 Councillor John Powers.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Construction Look-Ahead: December 27, 2020 – January 9, 2021

This is a brief overview of construction operations and traffic impacts for the Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves Rehabilitation Project. MassDOT will provide additional notices as needed for high-impact work, temporary ramp and street closures, and changes to traffic configurations beyond those described below.

ROUTE 1 TRAFFIC IMPACTS

ROUTE 1 NORTHBOUND: Approaching the Tobin Bridge from Boston, the work zone begins in the right lane. 2 of 3 travel lanes will be open during daytime

hours (5 a.m.–10 p.m.).

•From Monday, 1/4 through Friday, 1/8, Route 1 Northbound will be reduced to a single lane to set prefabricated bridge units (PBU's) during the nighttime (9 p.m. – 5 a.m.).

•ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND: Approaching the Chelsea Curves from the North Shore, the work zone is in the median. As of Wednesday, 12/23 all 3 travel lanes are open during the daytime hours (5 a.m.–10 p.m.).

*From Monday, 1/4 through Friday, 1/8 and then on Monday 1/11 through Friday, 1/15, Route 1 Southbound will experience a full closure overnight closure (9

p.m. – 5 a.m.)

*The detour for these closures will be that southbound traffic will exit Route 1 at Carter Street, travel on Carter Street to Everett Avenue, turn left onto Everett Avenue, and turn right onto the Everett Avenue on-ramp to rejoin the highway.

•There will be no work on the night of Thursday, 12/31 – New Year's Eve.

LOCAL STREET CLOSURES

•5th STREET: On Wednesday, 12/30, Monday, 1/4, and Tuesday, 1/5 5th street will be closed during the overnight hours (9 p.m. – 5 a.m.). In addition, on Monday, 1/4 and Tuesday, 1/5, 5th street will also be closed during the daytime (7 a.m. – 3 p.m.).

•ARLINGTON STREET: On Wednesday, 1/6, Arlington Street will experience an overnight closure (9 p.m. – 5 a.m.).

•There will be no local street or ramp closures during Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve (12/31), or New Year's Day (1/1).

WORK HOURS

•Most work will occur

during daytime working hours (7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) on weekdays. Some work will take place on a 2nd shift (2 p.m. – 1 a.m.) and overnight hours (9 p.m. – 5 a.m.) and on Saturdays (7 a.m. – 7 p.m.).

DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULED WORK

•ROUTE 1 NORTHBOUND: Removal of existing bridge deck and installation of new bridge deck will continue through the Chelsea Curves.

•ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND: Removal of existing bridge deck and installation of new bridge deck will continue through the Chelsea Curves.

COMPLETED WORK

•As of 12/27, the Tobin Bridge portion of the combined Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves project is now complete. All remaining work is within the Chelsea Viaduct portion of the job.

TRAVEL TIPS

Drivers should take care to pay attention to all signage and move carefully through the work zone. Police detail, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

The contractors are coordinating with local event organizers and police to provide awareness and manage traffic during events. For your awareness, there will be no events at the TD Garden during this look ahead schedule.



Speaker DeLeo and Ward 3 Councillor Arthur Guinasso.



Speaker DeLeo (right) and Len Piazza.



At the opening of the new Revere Police/Fire Station on Revere Beach Pkwy. Speaker DeLeo (right) is shown with former Suffolk DA Dan Conley and former State Senator Anthony Petrucci.

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My deepest thanks.

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HAVE A HAPPY -- AND SAFE -- NEW YEAR

The arrival of a new year marks a time for reflection, as to both the year that has passed and the year that lies ahead. In the words of the poet Alfred Lord Tennyson:

*Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.*

To put it another way, we might ask ourselves, "Where have we been -- and where are we going?"

The latter question asks us to foresee the future, which by definition is an impossible task. Though we may make our best guess to predict what may lie ahead -- and to plan accordingly -- none of us has a crystal ball. The vicissitudes of life more often than not throw us curve balls that lay to waste even the best-laid of our plans for the year to come.

Who among us imagined on December 31, 2019, that 2020 would bring a world-wide pandemic that already has killed more than 330,000 of our fellow Americans, devastated our economy, and directly impacted the lives of each and every one of us?

As bad as 2020 has been, we dread to contemplate what 2021 might have in store for us. There is no certainty that 2021 will be any better.

However, the former question is equally as tricky. Answering it requires both introspection and self-awareness, two qualities that typically are in short supply, even during a pandemic when most of us are house-bound for more hours of every day than we ever have experienced.

But trying to figure out the, "Why?" of what we have done with our lives is essential if we are to meet the challenges of the future.

As the philosopher said, if we do not learn from our mistakes, we are condemned to repeat them.

We do not pretend to have all (or any) of the answers, but we do know that in the difficult days ahead one thing is true: Each of us must step up to do our part to ensure the safety of ourselves, our loved ones, and everyone around us.

We all have a role to play in combating COVID-19 (by wearing masks, not gathering in large groups, and maintaining a physical distance from others wherever we may be) AND in helping those who desperately are in need of assistance because of the devastating economic effects of the pandemic.

Although a New Year is here, our problems are not magically going away.

We wish all of our readers a happy, safe, and healthy New Year.

K.C. JONES ALWAYS WAS FIRST-CLASS

For those of us who are old enough to remember the great Boston Celtics teams of the 1960s, the passing this week of K.C. Jones, an integral member of that championship dynasty, is bittersweet.

K.C. Jones led an incredible life, rising from his dirt-poor childhood to the very heights of athletic accomplishment, becoming one of only a handful of athletes to be a member of NCAA, Olympic, and professional basketball championship teams.

One of the most amazing facts about K.C. Jones is that after graduating from the University of San Francisco (where he was a teammate with Bill Russell) in 1956, he entered the U.S. Army for a two-year hitch before embarking on his career with the Celtics (who had made him their second draft pick in 1956) in 1958.

K.C. Jones epitomized the concept of a team player -- he was a leader in assists and always drew the toughest defensive assignment from the opposing team. His willingness to do whatever it took for the good of the team was a character trait that he later imbued in the great Celtics teams that he coached in the 1980s.

K.C. Jones exuded a quiet confidence. He let his actions on the court, both as a player and as a coach, speak for themselves with no need for the sort of self-aggrandizement and hyperbole that is typical among athletes today.

We found it hard to believe that K.C. Jones was 88 years old at his passing -- it makes us realize the truth of the axiom, "Time flies."

K.C. Jones will be remembered as a wonderful athlete, coach, and role-model. He was a first-class person in everything he did, both on and off the court.

May he rest in peace.

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~ HAPPY NEW YEAR ~

GUEST OP-ED

Decisions for 2021

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

2021 is here, and will it be just another year? If it's just another year then that won't be bad at all because too many will not have another year. The opportunity and privilege to have another year is the gift of life. Being alive and living your life is about as good as it gets. Aim for being alive this time next year.

Make some decisions about 2021. Where do you want to be this time in 12 months? Would you like to be ten pounds heavier? Maybe you would like to be ten or twenty pounds lighter? If you cut back on your portions and get off the couch you can lose a pound a week on average. This is daunting but just think about where you can be the first of March if you start today? Don't start tomorrow. Start right now. Today. This minute. Throw all that junk cake and pie in the trash. This is a tough

decision because we hate to say goodbye to all those holiday cookies and candies. Your body will thank you and you will feel so much better very soon.

Decide about financial habits. Millions of Americans carry credit card debt. Minimum payments on \$3,000 of credit card debt is like swimming up river. If you have missed a few payments your credit card company may be anxious to hear from you. Ask them if they will consider a settlement payoff. A friend of mine owed \$5,000 and his credit card company settled for a \$2800 payoff. Your company might or might not but it never hurts to negotiate. You might be able to sell some things in order to erase that back breaking high interest debt.

Make some money in 2021 - if you want to. Most Americans need to make money in 2021. Work on job applications. Peruse the newspaper. Search on-

line. Consider places you have heard about and call them, go see them. Knock on doors of opportunity. You get nowhere if you do not try. You might complete 20 or 30 applications to get one job interview. Complete the application thoroughly. Give them a reason to consider you. Put together a good biographical sketch, resume. Have a friend or two to review and edit because two heads are better than one. Have some good trusted references. Wherever you work do a good job because you want them to say a good word about you. A good word may seal the deal on your next job opportunity.

Jobs sometimes are scarce. Consider your personal knowledge and abilities and what might you do to make a dollar or two? What do you know that others need to know? What can you offer that others need or might want? Can you make something? Can

you fix things? How can you help others? Creating your own life and business might be the financial and mental sanity answer for you. If you create your own work and are good at what you do, you will not run out of something to do.

Our decisions determine our destiny. Whatever decision we make we have to put into action. Faith without works is dead. May your life be good, healthy and filled with wonderful love, family and friends in 2021. Let's work together for a good year.

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LETTER to the Editor

THANK YOU TO CHELSEA PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER

To the Editor;

The Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore would like to publicly extend a special Thank You to Public Works Commissioner, Fidel Maltez, for the use of a city message board for Zonta International's annual "Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women" campaign.

Due to the pandemic suspending traditional fundraising efforts this year, Chelsea Zonta was faced with the challenge of creatively publicizing our annual advocacy crusade for the safety of women, and our ongoing support of HarborCOV which does that work so beautifully in this community.

Without hesitation Fidel graciously agreed to our request to provide the mes-

sage board. The message, displayed in both English and Spanish, was strategically placed in Bellingham Square for the duration of the campaign providing an immeasurable and invaluable amount of publicity for this campaign and Zonta's mission.

With the drastic spike in domestic violence being reported during this pandemic, never has it been more crucial to publicize the help available to women. With the unflinching support of Fidel and the City of Chelsea Public Works Department, we are certain we will be able to help many women finding themselves in domestic violence situations. For that, we are extremely grateful.

Thank you,
Janice Tatarka, President
Georgia Green
Joan Lanzillo-Hahesy
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WEEKLY CRIME Report

The following incident reports are among the calls to which the Revere Police Department responded on the listed dates and times (in military time):

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

0015: Disturbance on Proctor Ave. The officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 32 year-old Everett man for the criminal offenses of malicious destruction of property under \$1200 and making a threat to commit a crime.

0052: Noise disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer spoke to the party.

0147: Noise disturbance on the Revere Beach Blvd. The officer spoke to the party.

0226: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer filed a report.

0827: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Tuttle and Revere Sts. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0926: Lost/found property on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

0928: Domestic disturbance on Lantern Rd. The officer filed a report.

1028: MVA on No. Shore Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1042: Domestic disturbance on Walnut Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1117: Hit-and-run MVA on Furlong Drive.

1126: MVA with property damage only at Malden St. and Patriot Parkway.

1133: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

1205: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Butler Circle for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1405: Larceny on Squire Rd. The officer will file a report.

1431: Disabled MV on VFW Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1522: Hit-and-run MVA on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1622: Disturbance on Furlong Drive. The officer provided assistance.

1633: Larceny on Everett St. The officer provided assistance.

1804: Suspicious activity on Washington Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1910: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Crescent Ave.

1955: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on the Revere Beach Parkway.

2052: Suspicious activity on Furlong Drive. The officer provided assistance.

2115: Suspicious activity on Park Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2124: Hit-and-run MVA at Franklin and Walnut Aves. The officer provided assistance.

2133: Domestic disturbance on Mill St. The officer restored the peace.

2154: Missing person on High St. The officer filed a report.

2213: Noise disturbance on Patriot Parkway. The officer restored the peace.

2233: Domestic disturbance on Ward St. The officer spoke to the party.

2245: Noise disturbance on Suffolk Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2301: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV on Thornton St.

2305: B&E into a MV

on Proctor Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

2315: Domestic disturbance on Beach. The officer spoke to the party.

2323: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

2331: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

2338: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

2354: Noise disturbance on Dedham St. The officer spoke to the party.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

0006: Noise disturbance on Shurtleff St. The officer provided assistance.

0041: Noise disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

0046: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

0050: Noise disturbance on Dedham St. The officer provided assistance.

0101: Noise disturbance on Bellingham Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

0102: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Broadway and Reservoir Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0125: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere and Tuttle Sts. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0230: Noise disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

0534: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1020: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at No. Shore Rd. and Mills Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1037: B&E into a MV on Beach St. The officer filed a report.

1042: MVA at No. Shore Rd. and Revere St. The officer filed a report.

1053: MVA at Copeland Circle. The officer filed a report.

1140: MVA at Copeland Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1147: Larceny on Hall St. the officer filed a report.

1203: MVA on Revere St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1230: MVA with property damage on Overlook Ridge Dr. The officer provided assistance.

1255: Shoplifting was reported on Squire Rd.

1405: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

1419: Disturbance on Cooledge St. The officer provided assistance.

1437: Unwanted person on American Legion Highway. The officer provided assistance.

1521: A hit-and-run MVA on Sewall St. was referred to another agency.

1549: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1610: Vandalism on Beach Rd. The officer filed a report.

1620: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1639: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and

issued a citation to the operator.

1650: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1818: Disturbance at Avon and Revere Sts. the officer restored the peace.

1823: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction. The officer issued a citation to a 30 year-old East Boston man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV and for the civil infraction of failing to yield at an intersection.

1842: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

1848: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

1901: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Beach St. and issued a citation to a 20 year-old Revere man for the criminal offense of operating a MV with a suspended license.

1916: MVA at Park Ave. and Broadway. The officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old Revere man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV.

1917: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Broadway and Park Ave. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1945: Disturbance on Griffin St. The officer filed a report.

2141: Noise disturbance on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

2214: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

2225: A MV was reported stolen on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

2254: A MV was reported stolen on Ward St.

2304: Harassing phone calls on Winthrop Ave. The officer filed a report.

2331: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

0027: Officers responded to a MVA with fire and injuries at Franklin Ave. and Thorndike St. The MV was towed.

1235: Noise disturbance on Crescent Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0127: Suspicious activity on Goldie St. The officer provided assistance.

0446: Domestic disturbance on Orvis Rd. The officer restored the peace.

0454: Vandalism at Wilson and Beach Sts. The officer filed a report.

0527: The repossession of a MV on Reservoir Ave. was reported by the repo company.

0545: Domestic disturbance on Bosson St. The officer filed a report.

0734: Vandalism on Bennington St. The officer spoke to the party.

0749: Vandalism on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

1029: Disturbance on Bennington St. The officer restored the peace.

1112: MVA on Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1205: Larceny on Cooledge St. The officer filed a report.

1237: A resident reported a case of identity theft. The officer provided assistance.

1530: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

1641: Complaint on Lantern Rd. The officer

provided assistance.

1644: Parking complaint on Cushing Ave. The MV was towed.

1708: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

1811: MVA on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1829: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

1832: Disturbance on Mountain Ave. and Genesee St. The officer provided assistance.

1836: Shoplifting on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1836: MVA with property damage on Squire Rd. The officer filed a report.

1858: Domestic disturbance on Kimball Ave. The officer filed a report.

2006: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

2018: Lost/found property on Ocean Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2105: Noise disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

2156: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

2224: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Central Ave. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

0213: Unwanted person on Ward St. The officer filed a report.

0402: Disturbance on Adams Ct. The officer restored the peace.

0453: Suspicious activity on Bellingham Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1022: A officer provided assistance to a citizen on Vane St.

1037: Fraud on Malden St. The officer filed a report.

1106: Vandalism on Campbell Ave. The officer filed a report.

1114: A MV that had been reported as stolen was recovered on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1134: MVA on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1222: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV on Malden St.

1508: MVA on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1608: Traffic complaint on Furlong Drive. the officer provided assistance.

1622: Suspicious activity on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1627: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at No. Shore Rd. and Dehon St. for a civil

infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1631: Disabled MV at Lee Burbank Highway and Hichborn St. The MV was towed.

1633: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Revere St. and filed a report.

1712: Traffic complaint on Dedham St. The officer provided assistance.

1739: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer provided assistance.

1747: Larceny on Cheever St. The officer filed a report.

1753: Unwanted person on Furlong Drive. The officer provided assistance.

1812: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Shirley Ave. and Hichborn St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1943: Disturbance on Gage Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2003: Harassment on Overlook Ridge Terr. The officer provided assistance.

2114: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

2200: The trespass tow of a MV was reported on Revere Beach Blvd.

2318: Noise disturbance at Dashwood and Oak Island Sts. The officer restored the peace.

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Revere Covid-19 Community Response Network

• Food updates:

◦ Final pop-up produce event of 2020 is tomorrow, Tuesday, Dec. 29th from 4:30-6:30pm or until supplies last. Events for 2021 will be shared as soon as we hear about available USDA funds. Please see attached flyers and share this event link widely.

◦ Free student breakfast and lunches on Tuesday, Dec. 29th. This will be a 7 day distribution. Normal distribution on Tuesday's and Friday's will resume on January 5th. Please follow RPS Dining Services for updates.

◦ The First Congregational Church's Food Pantry continues Wednesday's from 6-8pm at 196/200 Winthrop Ave. This is open to all regional residents.

◦ Cambridge Health Alliance Mobile Market will be on Saturday, January 9th. More info. to come.

• Covid-19 Testing updates:

◦ LAST DAY for Revere Resident Only Testing at the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center, 25 Winthrop Ave. Tuesday, December 29 — 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Revere residents must show proof of address with a driver's license, Mass or school ID, or utility bill.

◦ Revere High School Testing Site

- Monday, 4PM-8PM
- Tuesday, 4PM-8PM
- Wednesday, 4PM-8PM — TESTING from 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM on 12/30
- Thursday, 4PM-8PM — NO TESTING 12/31
- Friday, 4PM-8PM — NO TESTING 1/1
- Saturday, 7AM-11AM — NO TESTING 1/2

▪ Revere High School site is subject to long lines. You might be turned away prior to closing time if the testing site has reached maximum capacity. Hours are weather permitting.

◦ All testing info. Is available at <https://www.revere.org/departments/public-health-division/coronavirus#testing>

• Covid-19 News

◦ CVS, Walgreens to start administering Pfizer-BioNTech COVID vaccines at Massachusetts long-term care facilities this week. Click here to read more.

▪ "More than 150,000 residents of long-term care facilities in Massachusetts are expected to soon receive their coronavirus vaccines, officials said. Starting Monday, teams from CVS and Walgreens will travel to roughly 2,000 long-term care facilities across the Bay State to vaccinate around 173,000 people, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health told WCVB."

◦ Tougher Massachusetts COVID-19 restrictions set to begin Saturday. Click here to read more.

▪ Beginning Saturday (12.27), businesses across Massachusetts must reduce allowable capacity from 40 percent to 25 percent, under new restrictions announced by the governor earlier this week.

▪ The restrictions also reduce gathering limits to a maximum of 25 people when outdoors and 10 people when indoors.

▪ Additionally, in-patient elective surgeries must be postponed under the latest round of restrictions imposed by the Baker administration to stem the spread of COVID-19. The directive is intended to keep beds available as the number of people receiving COVID-19 care in hospitals tops 2,000.

▪ Struggling companies next week will begin to see the flow of grants under a new \$668 million small business relief program.

• The program, announced last Wednesday, is intended to help restaurants, retailers and other small businesses that are struggling to survive in the face of COVID-19 restrictions. The new program promises grants of up to \$75,000, but not more than three months' operating expenses, to be used for employee wage and benefits costs, space-related costs, and debt service obligations.

• The online application portal for the new program will open on Thursday, Dec. 31, and will close on Friday, Jan. 15.

◦ Trump Signs COVID-19 Relief Deal After His Criticism Threatened To Derail It. Click here to read more.

▪ "The legislation, which combines \$900 billion in COVID-19 aid with government funding through September 2021, was passed by large majorities in both chambers of Congress on Dec. 21..."

REVERE THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago
December 29, 2010

The Christmas Blizzard this past week, which dumped 18 inches of snow on the city, ranks as the 10th-largest snowstorm in this area since records have been kept beginning in the 1890s. The storm also was accompanied by high winds, with gusts reaching 50 m.p.h.

Revere firefighters have taken their tense contract negotiations with the city to the next level, filing for arbitration with the state's Joint Labor Management Commission.

Congressman Ed Markey said he has no intention of leaving Congress in the wake of the release of the U.S. Census figures which reveal that Mass. will be losing one of its 10 seats in the U.S. House.

State and city officials gathered for the opening of the city's first large solar-energy plant at the National Grid property on Railroad Ave. The 2640 solar panels at the site will be able to provide electricity of 0.75 megawatts, enough power for 150 homes for one year. The project cost \$5.4 million.

True Grit, Yogi Bear, and Tron: Legacy are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago
January 3, 2001

City Council President Richard Penta announced this week that he is suing Richard Ireton, the publisher of the Revere Record and a candidate for City Councillor-at-Large, for a series of articles that Penta claims are libelous. The articles in question allege that Penta used his office to get a sweetheart deal from a car rental company, that he had been intoxicated and surly at a meeting of the Revere Conservation Commission, and that he had engaged in a pushing and shoving match at a public meeting at City Hall. Penta said all of the articles are false, while Ireton said he stands 100 percent behind his reporting.

Events were cancelled and the entire city was placed on high alert this

past week as city residents awaited blizzard conditions and flooding, but the big storm that had been forecast to strike the area never materialized.

The Family Man, What Women Want, and Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas are among the 17 movies on 20 screens playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas this week.

30 years ago
January 2, 1991

Community Development Director Frank Stringi said that the state's failure to come up with \$890,000 in promised Small City grants means that his office will have to look for other sources of funding for the projects that had been planned with that funding.

The Capitol Bank, which has 10 branch offices including one on Broadway, closed its doors Friday, becoming the seventh bank in the state to fail or be seized in 1990.

Evidence of arson has been found in the abandoned building on Shirley Ave. that was the starting point for the conflagration on December 14 that destroyed 11 homes, mostly triple-deckers, and left 132 persons homeless.

The Russia House, Look Who's Talking Too, and Misery are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago
Dec. 31, 1980

Mayor George V. Colella and Congressman Edward J. Markey have announced that HUD has approved the city's application for a Small Cities grant of \$2.4 million for various projects over a three-year period.

State Insurance Commissioner Michael Sabagh has announced that auto insurance rates will increase by an average of 7.1 percent.

Goldie Hawn stars in Private Benjamin at the Kincade Theatre in Winthrop.

50 years ago
Dec. 31, 1970

The City Council unan-

imously played Santa Claus for city employees, approving pay raises as recommended by Mayor George V. Colella. The raises will cost the city more than \$175,000 this year.

RHS junior Joseph Cannarozza has been chosen by the RHS faculty to serve on the Youth Advisory Council of the State Department of Education.

Although 18 year olds may vote in national elections, a person must be 19 to be able to vote in state and local elections pursuant to Massachusetts law.

A mother and her four year-old daughter were rescued over ladders from the upper-story of their home at 15 Lowell Rd. early Monday morning.

Members of the Revere High band made a tour of the city's public buildings to play holiday music this week.

Dustin Hoffman and Mia Farrow star in John and Mary at the Revere Drive In.

60 years ago
Jan. 5, 1961

The Immaculate Conception Drum and Bugle Corps will march in the Inauguration Day parade of Pres. John F. Kennedy on January 20.

School Committeeman Neal Lespasio became the second committee member to resign his seat within the past month. School Committeewoman Ida Webber resigned last month to take a post as a music teacher in the School Department. Lespasio cited the indefiniteness of his military status as the reason for his resignation. It is expected that the top two defeated candidates, Vincent Cammarata and Edward O'Hara, will be in line to succeed Webber and Lespasio.

Despite the protests of 60 residents, the City Council voted 4-3 to grant a license to Harry and Daisy Harding of 25 Proctor Ave. for a gasoline service station with a two-car lubricatorium at 540 Broadway.

State Senator Harold Canavan resigned his State Senate seat and then promptly was sworn in as



Aid Polio Fund - Young ladies in the Pines section, in 1955, staged a fashion show to aid the Revere polio fund and they turned over \$55, receipts of the show, to Mrs. Grace Rizzo, co-chairman of the Revere March of Dimes committee. In the photo are, front row, left to right, Ruth Bergen, Debra Bell, Linda Jane Price, Caryn Sherry Zahn and Barbara Wallace. Rear row, left to right, Lorraine Solnas, Eleanor Zahn, Mrs. Rizzo, Dorothy Stein and Judith Weiner.

a judge of the Boston Municipal Court this week. Canavan was named to the bench by outgoing Democratic Gov. Foster Furcolo. He has served as State Senator since 1957, succeeding former Senator Andrew P. Quigley, and previously had been a State Representative.

Ralph Bellamy and Greer Garson star in Sunrise at Campobello at the Revere Drive In. Debra Paget stars in Journey to the Lost City at the Revere Theatre.

70 years ago
Jan. 4, 1951

New City Councillor Edward R. White Jr. was officially sworn into office Tuesday night, but the council took no action on electing a new mayor for 1951. White succeeds Councillor John Liset, who recently passed away suddenly.

The draft board call for 168 men from this district is the largest yet, as the need for soldiers for the Korean War is being felt sharply.

Daniel D. Dillon, 52, the city's Sealer of Weights and Measures, died suddenly when he was stricken at the home of friends whom he was visiting in Chelsea. He was a veteran of WWI. Dillon was named to his post in 1943

by former Mayor Raymond Carey.

Betty Hutton and Fred Astaire star in Let's Dance at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

80 years ago
Jan. 2, 1941

A fire last Thursday caused \$45,000 in damage to the block at 354-374 Broadway. Fire Chief Thomas McCarrick has called upon the State Fire Marshal to investigate the matter as an arson after a man supposedly was seen throwing kerosene against the side of the building.

A 28 year-old Jewish man, Ferdinand Leo Schlesinger, a refugee from Nazi Germany who fled to this country 18 months ago, is among a group of 16 Revere men who volunteered for induction under the Selective Service Act from this city's two draft boards.

A gala banquet to celebrate the inauguration of Mayor-elect Raymond Carey has been planned for the Beachview Ballroom next Wednesday. The only speaker will be former Chelsea Mayor and present Soldiers Home Commandant Lawrence F. Quigley.

Former world heavyweight boxing champ Jack Dempsey will appear at a children's party at City

Hall next week. Dempsey will be the guest of James Mede, well known local boxing promoter.

Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell, and Basil Rathbone star in The Mark of Zorro at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

90 years ago
Jan. 3, 1931

The City Council voted to raise the salary of Mayor Andrew Casassa from \$3500 to \$5000 last week. They also ratified the state referendum to raise their salaries from \$300 to \$500.

The inauguration of Mayor Andrew Casassa and other city officials is set for next Monday evening. The traditional inauguration ball and banquet, to be held two nights later, promises to be the social event of the season.

A state survey reveals that the total value of products manufactured by Revere's 17 manufacturing establishments in 1929 was \$1,076,094. The 234 wage-earners employed at these firms earned \$295,152 in wages.

The Revere liquor squad seized 80 cases of beer in a raid Friday afternoon in a home at 10-12 Fiske St. The wet goods were found in a secret cache under the front piazza.

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IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE TO RELIEVE RAINSTORM-RELATED FLOODING ISSUES



With the help of Ward 6 Councilor Richard Serino, Revere resident Rocco Falzone, and Chief of Public Infrastructure and Public Works Donny Ciaramella, the city has undertaken a project to improve the drainage and relieve the flooding issues in the Asti Avenue area. A three-phase project is being done to redirect stormwater from the south side of Sargent Street and the north side of Malden Street to the town line brook. Pictured at the site of the drainage ditch on Asti Avenue are, from left, Ward 6 Councilor Richard Serino, resident Rocco Falzone, and Chief of Public Works Donny Ciaramella.

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Healthy Eating for Successful Living is offered on Thursdays beginning February 18 to March 25 from 10:00 am -- 12:30 pm. Throughout the series, you'll learn more about how nutrition, physical activity and lifestyle changes can promote better health. This virtual workshop series focuses on heart- and bone-healthy nutrition strategies to help

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throp. Learn how to connect virtually thru a Zoom platform and take the classes from the comfort of your home. Class size is limited so reserve your spot today. To register, or if you have any questions about the program, contact Donna Covelle at dcovelle@mves.org or call 781-388-4867.

Revere Public Schools Athletic Director Frank Shea updates School Committee on sports

By John Lynds

At Revere Public School Committee meeting on Dec. 15, RPS Athletic Director Frank Shea updated the committee on a plan to bring school sports back to the district in a limited capacity and with new rules and regulations.

"As you all know I was a high school coach for many years," said Shea at the Dec. 15 meeting. "We're obviously in unprecedented times and I think that everybody on the committee and at the district level and above wants nothing more than to get our kids back and playing (sports). But we have to do what's best for everybody and what's safe for everybody."

Shea said that he and RPS Superintendent Diane Kelly met with the Greater Boston League about six weeks ago where the decision was made to suspend all sports till after the holidays.

"Even though a lot of our neighbors were aggressive and said we're gonna start on the 14th of December," said Shea. "However, what we have seen in the last couple of weeks is that a lot of those communities have rolled back to rethinking this decision. Malden, Everett, Peabody, Salem, Boston, have all rolled back till after the holidays and schools like Bishop Fenwick decided to shut down and delay till after the holiday. So I just think that was the right call at the time."

Shea said tentatively RPS hopes to start winter sports in early January through late February. Fall sports will be played between February 22 and April 25 and spring sports will most likely be played from April 26 through June 3.

"The MIAA is having no tournaments, at least not in the fall and winter season so that allows us to play with these dates even further," said Shea. "So if the Greater Boston League decided that we could safely have sports in mid January, we could

offer winter sports and go past the February 21 deadline. If the numbers in the community and surrounding communities dictate that we couldn't play in January we could start February 1 and play on into March. So there's a lot of flexibility, which is a good thing."

Shea said RPS is preparing now to get its students on fields in all three winter sports shortly.

While Shea is excited at the prospect of bringing kids back for sports to help with their mental health and physical wellness during the pandemic, the sports seasons will look vastly different than years past with new MIAA rules and regulations.

"If we do play it's really not going to look like the sports that we had last winter," said Shea. "There've been many modifications made both at district level up to the state level," said Shea. "Each sport will have their own modification so the seasons have basically been cut down to half and there are no MIAA playoffs," said Shea. "The goal is that we play one game per week with the option, if things are going well, that we can add a second game per week as the season goes on and our teams would practice every other day."

Shea said the MIAA has put limits on rosters, added locker room and transportation protocols and limited the number of coaches and eliminated spectators during games.

There have even been changes to the sport rules. However, Shea said while it is not ideal for students' parents there are alternatives.

"Our hockey rink is equipped with cameras to live stream games so parents would be able to watch their kids live on live stream," he said. "And in contests of basketball or swimming we would work with Revere TV and some of the RHS personnel to get those games taped and sent out."

As for the rules of the games, Shea said the new protocols went through

four committees. "Each sport had their own committee," said Shea. "These committees took each sport as we know them and said how do we make these sports safer? They came up with certain modifications in each sport. Those sport committees reported to the MIAA COVID-19 taskforce and the MIAA Sports Medicine Committee, which consists of doctors and trainers throughout the state. Those two committees signed off on these modifications as being as safe as they possibly can. From there that went to the MIAA board of directors who okayed the modifications."

For example the recommendation included for instance taking away the jump ball in boys and girls basketball in order to limit contact. The MIAA will only allow four players in the free throw lane instead of six.

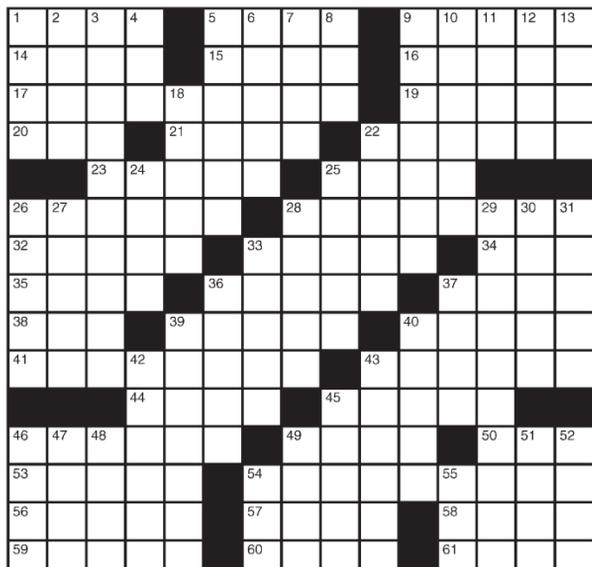
"They've taken away under the basket inbounds where there's a lot of physical contact so everything would be a side throw-in," said Shea. "So there's a lot of different protocols. Ice hockey for instance during an ice hockey game a player got the puck in the corner and you get a scrum. You get three four or five kids going into battle for the puck. What the committee has ruled is there's only two people one from each team that can go into the corner. Once a third player enters the corner the whistle blows, the play is stopped and there's a face off."

In the end Shea told the committee he just wanted to give as much info as possible and hopefully sports can be safely played.

"I just wanted to give you as much information as possible as you make these tough decisions on whether we play and when we play," said Shea. "I just thought the more information you know on protocols it will help guide your decision as soon as we get into a safer zone in the weeks ahead."

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 Bride shade
 - 5 Farm tool
 - 9 Royal George
 - 14 "Rule Britannia" composer
 - 15 Queen of Olympus
 - 16 Creepy
 - 17 Slumber party
 - 19 Walled city near Madrid
 - 20 S.E. Hinton novel
 - 21 Angler's gear
 - 22 Missing-persons investigator
 - 23 Clan
 - 25 Uh...excuse me
 - 26 Walked vigorously
 - 28 Interstate bridge
 - 32 Actress Dunne
 - 33 Lock
 - 34 "Citizen Kane" studio
 - 35 "Uncle ___ Cabin"
 - 36 Chaplain
 - 37 Ruckus
 - 38 Verse starter?
 - 39 Creates
 - 40 Skin cream
 - 41 Eight-day holiday
 - 43 Weapons store
 - 44 Auspices
 - 45 42D in French
 - 46 Climbed
 - 49 "Typee" sequel
 - 50 Anatomical duct
 - 53 Hammerin' Hank
 - 54 Wake up late
 - 56 Rolling Stones hit, "___ It Black"
 - 57 M. Descartes
 - 58 Poet Teasdale
 - 59 Glitches
 - 60 Conclusions
 - 61 Performing couples
- DOWN**
- 1 Immense
 - 2 Perry's creator
 - 3 Near death
 - 4 Director Spike
 - 5 Buffay of "Friends"
 - 6 Embankment
 - 7 City on the Oka
 - 8 Military science
 - 9 Porters
 - 10 Make over
 - 11 Guitarist Clapton
 - 12 Mah-jongg piece
 - 13 Rip



- 18 ___ and Prejudice"
- 22 Guess Who song, "___ Eyes"
- 24 Howard and Silver
- 25 Maintains
- 26 Ab exercise
- 27 Sodium carbonate
- 28 Court call?
- 29 Style of Gaudi
- 30 Alberto Tomba or Tommy Moe
- 31 ___'bout that
- 33 Occupied
- 36 Like highways
- 37 Considerable
- 39 Points in time
- 40 Threesomes
- 42 See ya!
- 43 Workshops
- 45 Remedy
- 46 Tree juices
- 47 Star of "Misery"
- 48 Puccini tune
- 49 Stove chamber



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Lundy, Andy W	Brown Judith R Est	31 Reservoir Ave	\$680,000
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Sports

ST. MARY'S LIGHTS UP CONNERY RINK WITH OPENING NIGHT WIN OVER BISHOP FENWICK

St. Mary's Spartans of Lynn kicked off their home opener against rival Bishop Fenwick with a 10 goal game, defeating Fenwick 10-1.

It was a great night to be a Spartan, with the first period ending 4-0. A complete team effort was put forth, passing, checking and a strong defense kept Bishop Fenwick out of the Spartan zone.



St. Mary's of Lynn's Head Hockey Coach Mark Lee with Captains, Christian Moran, Kyle LoNigro and Colby Magliozzi.



Senior Forward from Revere, Dante D'Ambrosio gets a scoring bid early in the first period. St. Mary's opened up the game with a 4-0 lead ending period 1 at Connery Rink in the season's home opener, beating Bishop Fenwick 10-1 as a final.



Dante D'Ambrosio had a solid game for the Spartans, being part of a complete team effort. His play making was a big part of the opening game win.

REVERE SPORTS THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago December 29, 2010

The RHS boys basketball team defeated Lynn Classical, 73-66, marking the first victory by a Patriots' boys hoop team over the Rams since Revere joined the Northeastern Conference six years ago. Greg Cabral led the Patriots with 27 points and hit on 11-of-14 from the free throw line. Trae Weathers scored 13 points and Sean Quiroz added 10.

The RHS girls basketball team improved to 4-0 with a pair of blow-out wins over Beverly, 60-24, and Classical, 63-24. In the Beverly contest, Gena Restiano led Revere with 20 points in one-half of play. In the Classical win, top point-scorers were Restiano with 18, Morgan Jenkins with 16, Marissa Parent with 13, and Ashley DeFraia with nine.

The RHS hockey team improved to 2-1 with a 5-3 triumph over Swampscott. Joe Corbett (2), Marco Mazzarelli, Brandon Mastropietro, and R.J. Tiorano scored the Revere goals.

The RHS boys track team defeated Danvers, 54-30. Coach Jack Mosco's Patriots won six of the nine individual events

and the 4 x 400 relay. Vin Dichiara captured the high jump, Robert Rose took the 1000, Joey Richie won the 50 yard dash, Breni Guzman won the 300 dash, Michael Fitzpatrick won the 600 dash, and Brahim Rhazi took the mile.

20 years ago January 3, 2001

The RHS boys basketball team improved to 3-2 with a 70-48 rout of Holliston. Senior tri-captain Chris Miles led the Patriots with 17 points and sophomore Lou Brandt hit for 14. Seniors Jon DeMarco and Ramlon Navarro added 11 points each.

The RHS girls basketball team earned its first victory of the season with a 54-46 triumph over Chelsea. Christa Margosian, who led Revere with 19 points, sank a clutch free throw with 17.5 seconds left in regulation to send the game into overtime. Jess DaSilva hit for 13 points and grabbed 12 rebounds and Liz Mosalai added seven points.

30 years ago January 2, 1991

Kim Hyland scored 17

points to lead the RHS girls basketball team to a 69-52 win over Malden to improve to 2-2 on the season.

60 years ago Jan. 5, 1961

The Immaculate Conception High basketball team lost its fourth game in five starts, 68-32 to St. Clement's of Somerville. Bob Gaffny was high scorer for IC with 13 points.

The RHS indoor track team lost to Cambridge Latin, 46-35. Ed Limoli was a double-winner in the 45-yard hurdles in 7.3 seconds and the high jump with a leap of 4-11.

The RHS basketball team lost to Everett, 53-51, and to league-leading Somerville, 78-52. Bert Morelli scored 24 points in the Everett game and Paul Balboni added 13.

70 years ago Jan. 4, 1951

Immaculate Conception parish will hold a Sports Night Jan. 20 in Fr. Brennan Hall. Top-notch personalities from the world of sports will be featured.

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OBITUARIES

Angelo Paglucca

Owner of Angelo's Salon in Somerville

Funeral Services and Interment will be held privately due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic for Angelo J. Paglucca, 90, who died on Saturday, December 26 at the Massachusetts General Hospital, following a long illness.

Angelo was native and lifelong resident of East Boston. He was raised on Liverpool Street where he remained his entire life. He attended Boston Public Schools and was a graduate of East Boston High School, Class of 1946.

As a young man, while still in high school and after graduation, he worked for the Box Spring Factory of East Boston.

Angelo knew his calling at an early age and while working his day job, he enrolled in night school to become a hairdresser. He worked for several salons before opening "Angelo's Salon" located on Boston Avenue in Somerville which he owned and operated for over 30 years. When Angelo retired, he invested in Real Estate in East Boston and spent his time managing his properties.

Angelo also enjoyed traveling in his retirement, especially to Europe, South America, and the Caribbean. Angelo always loved being with his very large family for holidays, birthdays or whatever the event was.

He was the devoted

John Aulino

Well known in the parking and transportation industry

John "Jackie" Aulino, 71, a lifelong resident of Revere, died suddenly at home on December 25.

Jackie was well known in the parking and transportation industry. He was a member of RHS, Class of 1967 and a graduate of UMass Boston.

The devoted son of the late Alphonse and Rose (Belmonte) Aulino, he was the loving father of Jacquelyn Aulino, Erica Aulino and Alexandra Aulino, beloved companion of Marianita Gonzalez, loving nephew of Joseph and Rose Belmonte, dearest cousin of Debra Belmonte, (who was more like a sister to Jackie), Joseph Belmonte Jr. and Michael Belmonte. He is also survived by his former wife and mother of his daughters, Celeste Iannicello and by many loving cousins and friends.

Due to the ongoing



son of the late Michael and Maria Paglucca, the loving brother of Anna Coviello and her late husband, Frederick of Haverover and the late Philomena E. Mullen and her late husband, William G., Mary Page, Julia Puzzo, Phylly Paglucca, Angelina Paglucca, Vincenzia Paglucca, Michael, Paglucca and Alfred Paglucca. He is also survived by his dear sister-in-law Vera Paglucca of East Boston and by many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Interment will be in Oak Grove Cemetery, Medford. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the America Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023

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Funeral Arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, Revere.

Christopher Santosuosso

Longtime V.A. volunteer

Christopher J. Santosuosso of Revere passed away on Dec. 20 at the age of 85.

Raised in Revere by the late Albert and Teresa Santosuosso, he was a U.S. Air Force Veteran with the Strategic Air Command and a longtime volunteer at the Bedford V.A.



He is survived by his children from his first marriage: Steven Santosuosso, Lori Tryder and her partner, James Cipolletta, Richard Santosuosso and his wife, Lynelle and Mark Santosuosso and his wife, Jennifer and is also survived by his second wife, Nina (Vanella) Santosuosso and her daughter, Donna and husband, Anthony D'Amato and also



lovingly survived by his grandchildren: Camille, Steven Jr., Jason, Derek, Lauren, Karlene, Richard, Dylan, Matthew, Marissa, Brianna, Mikaela, Anthony Jr., and three great grandchildren. He was the loving brother to Albert, Joseph, Jimmy, Karen and Nancy. Due to restrictions, a private ceremony was held.

Frances Duffy

Regular St. Anthony's Novena attendee

Frances V. (D'Amico) Duffy, 80, of Revere (Beachmont) died at the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers on Monday, December 21. She was the beloved wife of Arthur A. Duffy, with whom she shared 65 years of marriage.

Born, raised and a lifelong resident of the Beachmont section of Revere, Mrs. Duffy was the daughter of the late Joseph and Mary (Bruno) D'Amico. She was a regular attendee of St. Anthony Novena at St. Anthony's Church in Revere.

Mrs. Duffy is survived by her four children, Elizabeth Lezell, Arthur A. Duffy, Jr., Joseph Duffy and Wayne Duffy, all of Revere; six grandchildren: Christina, Michael, Caitlin, Joseph, Anthony and Angelo; two great grandchildren, Aries and



Amelia; one brother, John D'Amico of Lynn; two sisters, Donna D'Amico Randolph and Carol Gibson both of Lynn. She was predeceased by two brothers, Anthony and Eugene D'Amico.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Frances's memory may be made to Joslin Diabetes Center at giving.joslin.org.

At the request of the family, services are private. For condolences: www.BisbeePorcella.org.

Linda Secatore-Gerry

Longtime parishioner of St. Anthony's Church

Linda Secatore-Gerry of Revere died on December 22.

Linda loved her dog, Lucky. She was a devout Catholic and longtime parishioner of St Anthony's Church. Linda enjoyed ballroom dancing at Hillview Country Club in North Reading where she met the love of her life, Richard. She enjoyed gardening, dining out and spending time in Maine.

The beloved wife of the late Richard Gerry, she was the devoted daughter of the late Amleto and Enes (Avallone) Secatore, loving cousin of Marilyn and Dave Ellis of Randolph and Lorna Grande of the Berkshires and is also survived by dear friends: Diane Colella, Julia Malvarosa, Camille Cristello, Noelle Smith and Barbara Peterson.



Her Funeral was held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, Revere on Tuesday, December 29th followed by a Funeral Mass in St Anthony's Church and interment at Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St Anthony's Church, 250 Revere St, Revere MA 02151. For guestbook, please visit www.Buonfiglio.com

Emily Cerulli

Former President of the Revere Patriots Senior Citizens Club

Emily A. (DeFlorio) Cerulli, 93, of Revere, formerly of East Boston, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family Thursday evening, December 17.

"Emily was the former Supervisor for The Dept. of Corp & Taxation at the Saltonstall Building in Boston and when she retired in 1988 she became the President of the Revere Patriots Senior Citizens Club along with my Dad as the treasurer. She did this over a span of 10 years to provide the seniors of Revere with memorable vacations to places such as Villaggio, Indian Head, Foxwoods and various other places.

Within our family and the many, many family gatherings we had, she was known as Auntie Em [The Wizard of Oz] and her famous "ash barrel" pie. In the 50's when she would make our family birthday cakes, the pan was the size of the old metal garbage cans hence the name "ash barrel."

She looked forward to seeing all her nieces and nephews and lit up with delight in putting out a royal feast every holiday.

In her down time, she truly enjoyed knitting and crocheting and each of her grandsons had a yellow hoodie one piece suit that was designed by her, along with sweater sets, hats and mittens and various blankets. These items



were passed on to her great grandchildren too.

She loved playing cards with family and friends. She was seen at the various Bingo halls and in her later years she loved going daily to the Rossetti-Cowen Senior Center in Revere for lunches and Bingo."

She was the daughter of the late Joseph and Blanche (Ferullo) DeFlorio, wife of the late Edward V. Cerulli, caring sister of Phyllis Sennewald, Rita Muse, Gaetano DeFlorio and Janice C. DeFlorio; mother of Patricia Raia and Karen Struthers; adored grandmother of Randy Baratz, Michael and Giselle Struthers, David and Kristina Struthers, Adam Struthers and Vincenzo and Rachel Raia; great grandmother of Landon and Leighton Struthers, Giuseppe and Antonio Raia and is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Emily will be laid to rest with her late husband of 70 years, Eddie at Woodlawn Cemetery.

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Constance Perullo

City Hall Retiree and Honorary Rotarian

Funeral Services and Interment in Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden were held privately for Constance F. "Connie" (Fabiano) Perullo, 94, who passed away on December 23 in Derry, New Hampshire.

Born in Revere, she attended Revere Schools and was a graduate of Revere High School. Connie worked at the General Edwards Inn for many years, where she was named an honorary Rotarian and later, she worked at Maggio's as a hostess. She would soon take a position at Revere City Hall as secretary in the Department of Elder Affairs for the remainder of her working career. There, she was loved by all who met her. Her loving personality brought joy to anyone at any time. She often cooked for her "boys" at the hall after a bushel of apples were simply left at her door. She simply loved caring for people whether family or friends or even someone she met for first time. She will be missed by all who knew her.

The devoted mother of Margaret (Perullo) Ohliger and her husband, John of Derry, New Hampshire and the late Pamela A. Perullo, Edward L. Perullo and

Lawrence J. Perullo, she was the cherished



grandmother of Erick A. Ohliger and his wife, Marnie of Canton, North Carolina and Kristal L. Wilson and her husband, David of Newport Center, Vermont; adored great-grandmother of David C. Wilson, Jr. and Kendra L. Wilson, all of Newport Ctr., Vermont and Erica A. Ohliger of Waynesville, North Carolina; dear sister of the late Madeline Sbordoni, Louise Luise, Grace Oretto, Edith DiMaggio, and Dorothy DeAngelis, Ralph Fabiano, John Fabiano, Daniel Fabiano, and Philip Fabiano; daughter of the late Margaret (Maggie) Fabiano. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces and nephews who loved her dearly.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, Funeral Services were held privately. Interment was in Holly Cross Cemetery, Malden. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertuciosandsmith.com.

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Frances DeSantis

Will be truly missed by all who knew her



Due to the current spike in COVID-19, the guidelines issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and local officials, Funeral Services will be privately held for the immediate family under the direction of Paul Buonfiglio & Sons - Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere, MA 02151. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or at alz.org. For guestbook please visit www.buonfiglio.com

Frances (DePaolo) DeSantis of Revere passed away surrounded by her loving family on December 15 at the age of 89. Born in Chelsea on April 19, 1931 to the late Anthony and Lena (Belmonte), she was the beloved wife of 67 years of Joseph DeSantis, devoted mother of Joseph DeSantis of Revere, Janice DeSantis and her longtime companion, Rob McPherson of Chelsea and James DeSantis of Revere; cherished grandmother of Joseph DeSantis Jr. and his wife, Erin, John, Jenae and Rachael DeSantis; adored great grandmother of Lola Bartlett and she is also lovingly survived by many cousins. Frances graduated Revere High School with the Class of 1949 and went on to graduate Fisher Junior College. Frances was a homemaker who took great pride in raising her three children and later on her grandchildren. She enjoyed bowling and loved to travel. She will be truly missed by all who knew her.

Lillian Bruni

Beloved family matriach

quick to compliment, a gifted storyteller, and a social butterfly. Lillian kept a well-stocked pantry and was glad to see her grandchildren and their friends rummaging through it whenever they liked. At the dinner table, she encouraged us to eat to our heart's content and to laugh often, and her sassy humor was often accompanied by the wink of an eye. Lillian frequently encouraged us to "take care of each other."

Lillian had quite the sense of adventure and was able to travel with her husband and friends often. Most notably, at the age of 87 she embarked on a trip of a lifetime to Ukraine, which included a 12-hour train ride from Kiev to her father's childhood village. There, she was welcomed by many members of her extended family whom she met for the very first time.

Baba, we will always Love You More. The family will have a private funeral service. Should friends and family desire, remembrances may be made to the March of Dimes, Donation Processing Center, P.O. Box 673667, Marietta, GA 30006, in honor of Lillian's love of babies. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

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

Lillian Bruni passed on to eternal life on December 2nd at the age of 97. Lillian was the last of her generation and the beloved matriarch of her large, tight-knit family. She is joined in Heaven by her husband, Louis J. Bruni; her son, Michael T. Bruni; her cherished parents, Alec and Anna Bodnaruk; and her much-loved brothers and sisters, Andrew, John, Tommy, Victoria, and Maria. She leaves behind her children, Thomas M. Bruni and his partner, Kay Onan of Roslindale, Carol A. Bruni of Melrose; Stephan L. Bruni of Gray, Maine; and Susan Maria Lagorio of Amesbury. Lillian will be dearly missed by her loving grandchildren: Cathleen Forand and her husband, Eric, Christine Fiorentino and her husband, Thomas, Michael Bruni and his wife, Lauren, Eric Bruni, Stephan Bruni, Maria Gritz and her husband, Clayton, Peter Lagorio, and Gregory Lagorio. Lillian was blessed with 11 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews who will remember her fondly. Family and friends alike remember Lillian's joy, unconditional love, acceptance, generosity, patience, respect for traditions, and sense of humor. She loved parties, dancing, cooking, especially recipes from her Ukrainian heritage, babies, hugs, the smell of fresh basil, shopping, nature, and, most of all, her family. She was

DA Rollins invites high school students to apply for paid internship in memory of fallen prosecutor

In memory of Suffolk prosecutor Paul McLaughlin, and in honor of his commitment to using the law as a means to improve the communities he served, District Attorney Rachael Rollins has created the Paul R. McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship and invited high school students in their junior year from Boston, Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop to apply.

"I never had the privilege of working with Paul, but more than 25 years after his murder, his passion for justice and second chances still stand as an inspiration to all of us. This scholarship opportunity is one way that we can continue the work that Paul dedicated his life to," District Attorney Rollins said. "He saw the role of the prosecutor as more than just holding individuals accountable for their actions. He knew that serving the community

means engaging with the community not just on the worst days of their lives, but every day; not just in courtrooms, but in neighborhoods."

Beginning in the Summer of 2021, McLaughlin Scholars will have the opportunity to join District Attorney Rollins' office for a two-month, paid internship. The program pairs each student with a mentor within the office and allows the Scholars to work alongside SCDAO staff. Scholars will be immersed in one of five internship focus areas: Public Policy and Strategy, Community Affairs and Relationships, Child Protection and Advocacy, Neighborhood Safety and Strategic Prosecutions, and an Executive Team placement.

This office's relationship with the McLaughlin Scholars will continue well after their internship ends. Upon acceptance

into college, the Scholars will receive financial assistance toward their higher education.

"Paul's legacy lives on in the work that we are doing here at the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, at the Dorchester youth center that bears his name, and now with the McLaughlin Scholarship. This fund will help the next generation of aspiring civic leaders achieve the education necessary to continue the work that Paul committed his life to. Paul's work continues through all of us, and with this scholarship fund, we're able to ensure that his work continues for generations," District Attorney Rollins said. "We've reached out to our partners at Suffolk County high schools and the community nonprofits we work with to spread the word about this high school scholarship opportunity. We also made

sure that our partners at the Department of Youth Services are aware of this opportunity. I encourage all youth to apply for the Scholarship, regardless of their interactions with the criminal legal system. I want to ensure that eligible young people in every neighborhood my office serves are able to apply for this opportunity. It is my hope that our pool of applicants reflects the diverse backgrounds and experiences of our community, as well as the commitment to service that Paul's legacy embodies."

The deadline for applications is February 5, 2021. An online information session will take place on January 6, 2021. For more information or to apply for the Paul R. McLaughlin Scholarship, please visit suffolkdistrictattorney.com/scholarship.

Baker-Polito administration announces \$668 million small business relief package

The Baker-Polito Administration launched a \$668 million program to provide financial assistance to Massachusetts small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program in part relies on the pending federal COVID-19 relief bill recently passed by Congress. Regardless of the developments at the federal level, the Baker-Polito Administration will start releasing millions in new funding to restaurants, retailers, and other small businesses throughout the Commonwealth as soon as this week.

Earlier this week, the Administration announced nearly \$49 million in

grants through the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation (MGCC) COVID-19 Small Business Program to support over 1,158 small businesses. More than 10,000 applicants had sought relief in this grant round.

Additional grants will be made available to eligible small businesses through MGCC. The Small Business Grant Program was established in the fall, and currently has a pool of eligible applicants awaiting funding. This additional funding will allow the Administration to award more of those pending applicants. Eligible businesses that already applied to the program, but were not funded due

to limited funds available, will be prioritized for funding first and do not need to reapply.

The funds will also be used to stand up an additional grant program at MGCC. This program will target the industries most hard-hit during the pandemic.

Eligible industries for the new program include:

- Restaurants, bars, caterers
- Indoor recreation and entertainment establishments
- Gyms and fitness centers
- Event-support professionals (photographers, videographers, etc.)
- Personal services
- Retail

The new business relief program would offer grants up to \$75,000, but not more than three months' operating expenses, to be used for employee wage and benefits costs, space-related costs, and debt service obligations.

The online application portal for the new program will open on Thursday, December 31, and will close on Friday, January 15. Awards are expected to be announced in early February.

More details on how to apply and eligibility requirements are available at www.empowering-smallbusiness.org.

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Restiano leads fundraising drive for Chelsea residents

By Cary Shuman

Chelsea High coach Gena Restiano was class president, a team captain, and scored 1,000 points in her spectacular basketball career at Revere High.

Restiano is now leading in another important way, having established a GoFundMe effort to help Chelsea residents as they deal with financial hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The drive is called 'City of Chelsea' and I've raised \$1,655 to-date through some local donors such as the City Council and the School Committee," said Restiano, who coaches the varsity basketball and softball teams and is a physical education teacher at Chelsea



Gena Restiano, pictured during her career as an All-Star point guard for the Revere High School girls basketball team.

High. "I want people to donate because the City of Chelsea is struggling right now."

Restiano said she did some research for the



Gena Restiano, a coach and teacher at Chelsea High School, is leading a GoFundMe drive to assist Chelsea residents.

drive and determined that a large percentage of Chelsea's population is employed as essential workers. "A lot of people have lost their jobs be-

cause of COVID-19," said Restiano.

A former Suffolk University basketball player, Restiano said that her mother Debra helped in-

spire her goodwill effort.

"She saw Chelsea's plight on the news and suggested a project that would assist local families during the holidays," said Restiano, adding that she will forward the donations from the GoFundMe drive to La Colaborativa in Chelsea, which is headed by Gladys Vega.

CHS Director of Athletics Amanda Alpert has been assisting in the fundraising project. Restiano said some of her CHS senior basketball players are promoting the 'City of Chelsea' GoFundMe drive.

Restiano is hoping to return to the basketball court with her Red Devils' team soon. She is also a certified IAABO basketball referee.

During her sophomore year at Revere High, Restiano, with talented teammates such as Morgan Jenkins, Marissa Parent, and Caitlyn Caramello, helped lead Revere to an historic 20-0 record in the 2010-11 regular season under then-head coach Diana DeCristoforo. Restiano and Caramello later reunited as teammates in the Suffolk women's basketball program led by former RHS coach Ed Leyden.

Chelsea High becomes a full member of the Greater Boston League in the fall of 2021 and will resume its intra-league rivalry with Revere. Lynn Classical and Lynn English are also joining the GBL next fall.

First marijuana store in area opened Nov. 10, and it has quite a tale

By Seth Daniel

It seems like an eternity since marijuana was legalized in Massachusetts and people began talking about opening cannabis stores, but now Chelsea – just next door to Revere – has seen its first adult-use store open on Nov. 10, yet it's more than the routine story of a "pot shop."

Western Front held a ribbon cutting ceremony on Webster Avenue in the Parkway Plaza on Nov. 10, and then become the first marijuana business to open in Chelsea and in the overall area. Western Front is an equity licensee, meaning they are minority-owned and focused in an Area of Disproportionate Impact (ADI) – meaning a place where the war on drugs hit harder than in other places. Chelsea is one of 29 ADI communities. Revere, on the other hand, cannot qualify to have marijuana stores due to voting 'no' on the marijuana legalization ballot question some years ago.

The 3,000 sq. ft. store in Chelsea will offer all kinds of cannabis products, including flower/buds, gummies, tinctures, edibles and oils – to name a few – in an extremely highly-regulated and safe environment. A full new buildout of the store was massive, with it being a vacant building for a long time before the partners began work on the venture.

"It was a shell when we first came in," said owner Marvin Gilmore. "There was nothing here... We made it first-class and I think you can see that."

Indeed the store is now a first-class operation with plenty of natural light, ample space and numerous kiosks for choosing and purchasing products. There is also a teaching

and learning component of the operation on the other side of the store that will focus on educating people about marijuana and helping aspiring entrepreneurs to learn how to start their own stores.

Yet one of the most interesting things about the store is not the once-illegal, now legal, sale of marijuana to those over 21 years of age. Rather, the real story comes in the ownership – particularly Gilmore.

The owners are all three Cambridge residents, including Gilmore, Dennis Benzan and Attorney Tim Flaherty. The three Cantabrigians have been longtime friends, with Gilmore being a mentor to both for a long time.

Gilmore is a World War II veteran with a rich life story, and a life that hasn't slowed down with age – fueled by a desire to always continue helping disadvantaged folks who might need a leg up.

There are a few reasons for that, he said, and getting into the marijuana industry as an equity applicant followed the same trajectory as when he couldn't get a veterans home loan – and thus founded United Bank, now OneUnited – the largest black-owned bank in the United States.

Gilmore's grandparents were born into slavery in Alabama, and he also served with distinction in World War II. Both are defining moments for him.

"My grandmother was born into slavery and lived to be 107," he said. "My parents had come up from Alabama to Cleveland and then to Boston. They sent me down to Alabama to learn and understand how we had been treated in the past. That inspired me to work for people and

to work to make change and I've been doing that all my life. When this opportunity came, I knew Chelsea and where it had been in the old days. We put together a team and it has gone great... This is a very, very underprivileged and poor community. If we can bring this concept to Chelsea and get this store to take off and put people to work – it's a great idea."

The store is not only looking to pull customers from the surrounding areas like Revere, but also employees who might fit the criteria and need a chance to break into this new industry.

Gilmore also served in World War II, and because he was black, he was not able to get on the airplane to come home with the white soldiers. He had to find another way home, as the white soldiers wouldn't ride with him.

"My beginning fighting prejudice came in the army because we had two armies in World War II – the white army and the black army," he said. "I wanted to see if I could challenge that. I wanted to change it."

Meanwhile, once home, as a veteran he was entitled to a home loan, but they wouldn't grant it to him – which pushed him to found the OneUnited Bank.

He currently serves on the Board of the Boston Redevelopment Authority's EDIC, he's an accomplished musician that graduated from the New England Conservatory (playing the Vibes), started the successful Cambridge nightclub Western Front, and even traveled to the Deep South with Celtic legend Bill Russell during the Civil Rights Era to "make change."

Gilmore, who said he



Western Front Owners Marvin Gilmore, Dennis Benzan, Tim Flaherty, General Manager Cassandra Leetz and the rest of the employees gather for a photo of the new Western Front cannabis store on Webster Avenue at the Parkway Plaza in Chelsea. The store opened on Nov. 10 and was the first cannabis store to open in Chelsea and the surrounding area.

doesn't smoke cannabis, said all of his life has been an "uphill battle," and helping others get a leg up in any business – including cannabis – meshed with his long business and philanthropic career.

Benzan, the first Latino vice mayor of Cambridge and one of the only Latino liquor license holders there, said they are a team of firsts. He said he was impressed by the legislation that brought cannabis to Massachusetts – as it put a priority on minority communities, people that had been arrested disproportionately in the War on Drugs and sought to use the new industry as a way to create wealth for those that had been affected.

"Western Front and the cannabis industry was another opportunity to be first," he said. "We have investors that reflected the minority community really like no other cannabis company in Massachusetts. We're doing everything possible to provide opportunities for young people of color, whether

Latino, African American or others. Truthfully, that's why I'm in this and for no other reasons."

Benzan said that's reflected in the workforce at the store, which features many people of color and those who simply need a leg up.

"When I first came in and saw the numbers of black and brown faces, I have to say I had a little bit of emotion," he said.

"We're going through an incredibly difficult economic pandemic, and that's being felt mainly in the communities of color."

General Manager Cassandra Leetz said she is one example of a Latina who has found great opportunity in the cannabis industry. Her mother came from Costa Rica and she grew up in New York. She joined the Navy and was deployed worldwide as an intelligence specialist. However, after discharged, she said she struggled to find opportunities. Employers didn't understand her skill set or didn't believe she had

such skills, and she often found herself underemployed. That went on for many years, until Western Front took a chance on her.

"They could have brought in a cannabis industry professional from outside the state to run this, but they picked me," she said. "It's been an honor to do this and I'm very proud to take my experience and be able to work with the people in Chelsea and the people we've hired."

Flaherty said they have truly enjoyed working the past three years to get their state and local approvals. He said he felt like their company – which is looking to expand already to Cambridge and a third, undisclosed location – embodied what an economic empowerment applicant should be.

"From our investors to our staff, we have assembled what I think the state envisioned for economic empowerment candidates," he said. "It's exceptional."

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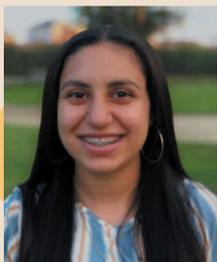
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First Night Boston announces full broadcast schedule

First Night® Boston, New England's longest-running New Year's Eve celebration, announced today its full performance schedule for its New Year's Eve broadcast, and features an array of performers from Boston and beyond across all genres of music.

Beginning at 6:00 p.m. and continuing until 2:00 a.m., a stream of musical and artistic performances will showcase a diverse range of talents for audiences celebrating from home as the Covid-19 pandemic continues to disrupt everyday life. Held every year since 1975, First Night Boston is an annual celebration of the city's arts, culture, and people. Since 2015, the event has culminated with lights, fireworks, ice sculptures, and music in Copley Square.

"First Night Boston has been a cherished tradition for more than four decades, and a celebration of this size simply doesn't just cancel," said Dusty Rhodes, event director. "This city is packed with brilliant artists and rising stars who depend on events like First Night to showcase their talents, and we're thrilled to move part of the show online and to the air." In addition to the online stream, a special First Night Boston broadcast will air on NBC10 Boston from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., and on NECN and NBC Sports Boston from 11:00 p.m. – 12:01 a.m.

The show kicks off at 6:00 p.m., and the first hour will feature performances from the Greater Boston Chinese Cultural Association (GBCCA), jazz from

the Makanda Project, a booming organ performance from the Church of Christian Science, and a dance set by North Shore's Guardians of Isadora.

From 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., it's the Boston Youth Chamber giving way to highly acclaimed pianist Yelena Beriyeva, while Boston Gay Men's Chorus closes out the hour after additional performances by GBCCA and Makanda Project.

The Skating Club of Boston kicks off the 8:00 p.m. hour with a lineup of figure skating routines from Olympic hopefuls. Hyde Park's Sweet Harmony performs their first of two upbeat sets before vocalist Maddi Ryan takes the stage, and East Boston's Veronica Robles represents Boston's first all-female

mariachi band.

The countdown continues with rising star Alli Haber kicking off the 9:00 p.m. hour, before giving way to the African and Caribbean beats of Zili Misik. The all-men quintet On the Outside performs a short set before the local Dempsey Sisters and Mandi Crimmins rock the house.

The fifth hour features segments from Lori McKenna and Kemp Harris shot at Boston's Boch Center, while Boston hip-hopper Nancia drops some beats with local scenes. Performances from rockers Sons

of Levin and soulful Of Sea and Stone bring us to the 11:00 p.m. hour, when NECN and NBC Sports Boston pick up the final countdown.

The online stream will resume after midnight with some of the evening's most popular performances re-airing until 2:00 a.m. The latest stream schedule is attached to this release, and available at www.firstnightboston.org.

In a normal year, hundreds of thousands of guests visit Copley Square and the surrounding area on New Year's Eve. The

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

CHELSEA NURSE GETS COVID-19 VACCINE

CHELSEA - When Belza Betancur went into work last week, she had no idea she would make history as one of the first people in the country – and the first in the MGH system – to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

On Wednesday morning, as a priority health care workers in direct contact with COVID-19 patients for months, the Chelsea resident volunteered to be the first and got her first-round vaccination at the hospital during her shift. It was a moment for her that seemed long-awaited, but soon the historic nature of it began to dawn on her.

"At Mass General, they have a lot of diversity, so they wanted someone that represented the Latino population specifically because we've had probably 70 percent of our patients that are of Latin background," she said. "I wasn't expecting it at all, but I was humbled and thrilled...It was a big moment. I don't know if I still understand the full impact yet of it being history, but I was honored because of all we've gone through. It is history. We've had pandemics before, but maybe not to this extent...I feel I now have a responsibility to make sure people do get vaccinated and give us a chance to end this. We all need to get back to a normal life. It was a historic moment, and I feel that way about it too."

For Betancur and her co-workers at the Blake 12 ICU unit at Mass General's main campus, the vaccine could not come soon enough as they have spent the last 10 months caring for COVID-19 patients to the best of their ability. The challenges were monumental, but it was something she said she signed up for.

"This is what we signed up for," she said, noting that she also cared for several injured people in the aftermath of the Boston Marathon Bombing in 2014. "I care a lot about people's health and doing my best for them. It has been very challenging...With me, since all this happened, I have a headache every day when I come home from work. It comes with the job and it's okay because at the end you see patients recover and you hear good news and they send you pictures. It makes you encouraged and we feel it's all worth it."

Betancur came to Chelsea from Colombia, and got an Associates' Degree in nursing from Northern Essex Community College. Then, while working at various medical facil-

ities, she graduated from Franklin Pierce University in New Hampshire. After stints at Elliot Hospital in New Hampshire, and at Beth Israel Hospital, she began working in the ICU at Blake 12 in 2012.

When the pandemic hit last spring, Betancur said they often felt like they were in the bowels of the Titanic being thrown back and forth. She recalls April 11 as one of the most difficult days. On that day, they had to set up an expanded, temporary ICU unit. All of the equipment was there, but it wasn't the same and became very difficult to take care of the surge of patients. It was at that time they were no longer just taking care of one patient, but two at a time.

Or there was the time when a man from the community showed up early in the pandemic sick with COVID after having been required to go to work cleaning an office building. "One of his co-workers had COVID-19 because they were cleaning buildings and he couldn't miss work and then he got COVID-19," she said. "He ended up in the (ICU). People had to go out there and go to work and no one knew about the protocols we know about now. I wish we had known the things we know now in the beginning of all this."

And so it is why Betancur and all of her colleagues have been waiting for the day the vaccine arrived, and why she jumped at being the first person vaccinated. She said she is confused by the skepticism in Chelsea, and said people need to educate themselves about it and make an informed decision based on the science and not hearsay.

"I'm surprised by that and it makes me sad," she said. "We were looking forward to this vaccine coming since it started. I feel like the more you know about the vaccine, the more at ease you feel about it. I was nervous at one point, but I educated myself on it and read three or four articles and understood what the science was behind it. I worried it was made so quickly, but now I understand it...They have been working on this type of vaccine for decades. It just so happens we are now using that technology for the virus."

Betancur reiterated that she not only felt the history of the moment, but also feels the weight of convincing others in Chelsea to get the vaccine if they might be skeptical – or simply just to put them at ease.

She said she will get the second "booster" shot in about 21 days, and they say it takes three weeks to build

up full immunity. Still, she will take the precautions that she has been taking for the past 10 months. Until about 70 to 80 percent of the population is fully vaccinated, it is suggested that people continue to wear masks and follow the safety protocols. She will do that, but said she looks forward to a day when people don't have to wear masks in Chelsea – when you can go into a restaurant on Broadway at ease and without being six feet apart.

"Imagine the day we don't have to wear masks?" she said. "It is the right thing to do right now. You have to protect yourself, and by doing that you're protecting others too. In my case, I thought more about the community and protecting my patients as well."

ZONING CHANGES COMES TO COUNCIL

CHELSEA - A major zoning package with wide-ranging changes from Prattville to downtown Chelsea cleared the Planning Board last week, and will head to the City Council at the beginning of next year for consideration.

The package passed muster with the Planning Board last Tuesday, Dec. 15, except for one piece from the Administration which sought to create a parking district downtown.

One of the more heralded changes was proposed by Council President Roy Avellaneda to the zoning in Prattville on the Parkway. That zoning change seeks to alter the existing zoning, which is a residential district in what is mostly commercial businesses on the highway (Rt. 16).

Avellaneda said he sees his proposal as tidying up something that should have been done long ago. Because every commercial use there is non-conforming due to the residential zoning, everyone has to go through a process just to locate there.

Avellaneda said that leads to vacant buildings and unreasonable expectations.

"This is the third one I've done and the fourth zoning change I've proposed in four years," he said. "this is the third re-zone change I've advocated for in terms of business uses...The reasons behind this one is simple. The zoning doesn't allow for what exists there. In a couple of corner storefronts, they are left vacant because they lost the ability to transfer a non-conforming use to another non-conforming use. By properly zoning this for what they have there – which is retail

Stream Schedule, December 31, 2020 www.firstnightboston.org			
Performer	Performance	Estimated Hit Time	Style
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.			
GBCCA Kick-Off Parade	First Night 2020 Parade Clip	6:00 p.m.	Interpretative Dance
Boston Guzheng Ensemble	Peng Ba Ban	6:01 p.m.	Traditional, virtual performance
Makanda Project	It Takes a While	6:05 p.m.	Jazz
First Church of Christ, Scientist	Fugue in E-Flat Major, by Bach	6:17 p.m.	Organ Recital
Guardians of Isadora	Dance Set	6:23 p.m.	Avant Gard Women's Dance Group
Makanda Project	Caribe	6:32 p.m.	Jazz
GBCCA Chinese Music Ensemble	Divination	6:44 p.m.	Chinese Virtual Ensemble
Chu Ling Dance Academy	Dance Set	6:49 p.m.	Chinese Dance
Chester Brezniak & Yelena Beriyeva	Donald Martino's Sonata for Clarinet and Piano	6:53 p.m.	Piano and Clarinet Duo
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.			
Boston Youth Chamber	Holiday Favorites	7:01 p.m.	Violin Trio
Yelena Beriyeva	Aram Khachaturian's Toccata	7:07 p.m.	Piano Solo
Chu Ling Dance Academy	Dance Set	7:12 p.m.	Artistic
GBCCA Choral Society	Yueqin	7:16 p.m.	Choral
Makanda Project	Why Not	7:20 p.m.	Jazz
GBCCA Yo-Yo Troupe	Dance Set	7:33 p.m.	Artistic
Kim Tavares	Don't Know Why	7:44 p.m.	Female Vocalist
Old South Church	Pops and Pipes	7:48 p.m.	Organ Recital
Boston Gay Men's Chorus	Prayer for Peace	7:54 p.m.	Choral
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.			
Skating Club of Boston	Performances	8:00 p.m.	Figure Skating Performance
Sweet Harmony	Set 1	8:26 p.m.	Song and Dance Troupe
Boston Synchrony Chinese Percussion Ensemble	Drum Performance	8:35 p.m.	Artistic
Maddi Ryan	Set	8:39 p.m.	Female Vocalist
Veronica Robles	Set	8:49 p.m.	Female Mariachi
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.			
Alli Haber	Set	9:00 p.m.	Female Vocalist
Zili Misik	Set	9:08 p.m.	R&B/Soul
Sweet Harmony	Set 2	9:16 p.m.	Song and Dance Troupe
Paco	Set	9:27 p.m.	Oldies
On the Outside	Set	9:33 p.m.	Boy Band
Boston Gay Men's Chorus	Prayer for Peace	9:38 p.m.	Choral
Dempsey Sisters	Set	9:45 p.m.	Pop
Mandi Crimmins	Set	9:52 p.m.	Rock
10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.			
Kemp Harris	Boch Center's Ghost Light Series	10:00 p.m.	Solo Piano
Boston Gay Men's Chorus	Relax!	10:10 p.m.	Choral
Lori McKenna	Boch Center's Ghost Light Series	10:16 p.m.	Solo
Boston Synchrony Chinese Percussion Ensemble	Drum Performance	10:26 p.m.	Artistic
Nancia	Get Low	10:30 p.m.	Hip-Hop
Sons of Levin	Set	10:35 p.m.	Rock Band
Of Sea and Stone	Set	10:46 p.m.	Alternative Duo
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businesses – we’re allowing that to happen.”

He said the owners of the popular Tombo 22 Restaurant on the Parkway had troubles opening up because of this, and the old bottling plant cannot find a tenant and was just rejected by the Planning Board for a church.

“The zoning makes no sense,” he said. “No one down there will take down a convenience store and build and single-family home and live on Rt. 16. No one is going to knock down the rug store and build a two-family.”

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said he agrees with the change, but pointed out his administration did not suggest it.

“I think it makes sense that area, which is commercial in nature, ought to have some commercial zone,” he said. “We’ve never pressed too hard in the past because of neighborhood concerns.”

Some of the other zoning changes offered by the administration are more far reaching.

•Two high-profile changes recommended by the Planning Board include allowing marijuana businesses to locate stores and delivery-only locations in more zoning areas – including the downtown business district. Delivery-only businesses would also be able to be an accessory use in any residential zone, and as a permitted use in several of the commercial zoning districts – including the Naval Hospital Residential and Commercial districts.

•In another land-use change – one that Avellaneda proposed in part several years ago – Ambrosino said they are looking to spur development on the waterfront area of the Chelsea

Creek. There, they would replace the Waterfront Industrial Overlay District with a new Port District and Waterfront Upland District. The change would also create a Waterfront Improvement Trust Fund, and virtually institute a type of Master Plan for the entire area – including new landscaping requirements, new Special Permit criteria and the principal uses for those areas – which mostly lie on the west side of Marginal Street.

•The changes would also increase density in the two largest residential districts, which many see as appropriate, both Ambrosino and Avellaneda said. These would decrease the minimum lot sizes in the Residential 1 district, and decrease the minimum lot size and the minimum useable open space requirement in the Residential 2 District (R2). The R2 district is one of the largest in the entire city, and includes the neighborhoods on Bellingham Hill, as well as the Orange/Addison areas.

•Finally, another change would include creating a new Mixed-Use Overlay District for the area at Everett Avenue, the railroad and the Everett City Line. This district allows for much taller buildings and is seen as an accommodation to allow the re-development of the Stop & Shop to file its project in Chelsea. That project was filed in Everett earlier this year and went through a tremendous amount of review there, and has now been fully approved.

The matter moves from the Planning Board to the City Council for a final vote into law, but Avellaneda said he didn’t expect a vote until early February – noting there is a great deal to

discuss when it comes to some of the changes.

CHANGES TO CHARTER APPROVED

EVERETT - Ending more than a year of discussion, the City Council voted 9-2 to make a Charter Change that would change how Ward councilors and School Committee Ward representatives are voted into office – making their seats be a vote of the ward only and not of the entire city.

Councilors John Hanlon and Fred Capone voted against the matter. The matter now advances to the State House as a Home Rule Petition for further review and potential approval.

Right now, in one of the few communities to have such a system, Everett ward councilors and Committee members are elected by a citywide vote instead of a ward-only vote. That means a candidate can actually win the vote of the ward, but lose the election. The Council and the City has been moving to make that change since receiving notice from the Lawyers for Civil Rights Boston that the system is likely a violation of the federal Voting Rights Act as it could dilute the vote of communities of color. They have indicated to the newspaper several times they are watching Everett’s moves on the matter, and are prepared to file a lawsuit if necessary to force the change.

They won a similar lawsuit in Lowell some years ago after a long and expensive fight in court.

The proposal in Everett had been voted down at the Dec. 7 meeting, surprisingly, but was called for Reconsideration by former Councilor Peter Napolitano, who has since resigned to pursue a

City job. On Monday night, it was finally brought back to the body, where it was approved after about an hour of discussion.

City Solicitor Colleen Mejia said her reading is that the Council needed to make the change with a Charter Commission, but she also said that would likely lead to a lawsuit being filed. She said there are other opinions that support the idea of it being a legal change as a Home Rule as well. In the end, she said there’s no easy answer.

“I think you guys are between a rock and a hard place,” she said. “Either way you decide to act, the outcome is going to be the same. Either way would also be a valid way in the eyes of the state.”

Councilor Wayne Matewsky was the lead sponsor on the change, and said it’s long past time to take action on making this change.

“I think it’s the right thing now,” he said. “The truth of the matter is there are many people here that are open to this change. It’s the fair thing to do. If a candidate gets 1,000 votes in the district, and the other candidate gets 100 votes in the district, but wins on the citywide vote, that’s not how it should work.”

Capone said he has no problem with the premise, but feels any Charter Change needs to be in the hands of the voters.

“I understand where everyone is coming from, but for me the Charter is akin to our Constitution,” he said. “If we start chipping away at it, I don’t think we have the authority to change it... When you get to larger things, you have to be careful with it... Different lawyers have different opinions, but the statute reads chang-

ing of manner of election is not allowed. My reading is it’s a violation of the law and a violation of the public trust. Major changes to the Charter I will always vote ‘no’ because I believe it belongs in the hands of the people.”

Councilor Gerly Adrien said she understands the desire to let the people vote on the matter, but said the City risks a lawsuit for a violation of the Federal Voting Rights Act. She said there are at least two wards in the City that aren’t properly represented.

“We have wards in our city where there are communities of color, particularly Haitian – which I am proud to be of – and Latinos,” she said. “We do not have the right number of representation in our city to reflect the whole city, which is why this is illegal. For some of my councilors who do not understand, we are violating a federal right. We need to make sure we do this right from the beginning. I understand the Charter Commission formed this, but they were wrong. We need to change this or we will get sued like the other city.”

Councilor Anthony DiPierro said the former Charter Commission was too political, and this was a result of that. He said it’s time to vote.

“I personally think this change makes us more accountable as ward representatives,” he said. “There’s not a whole city to hide it. You need to be accountable in that ward and make sure things are done. It makes us better representatives. It’s simple... This is the right thing to do. We’ve been talking about it over a year and I’m tired of talking about it... You want to talk about a Charter Commis-

sion, I don’t even want to go there. The last Charter Commission was as political as it could be.”

Councilor Michael McLaughlin said it’s time to take a tough vote, and noted he had talked to hundreds of people about this and other recent Charter changes.

“If we’re going to get sued, I don’t want to send our City down a foxhole,” he said. “If we vote on this tonight, we’re not harming the City or the people. We’re asking the state to look at it... If they tell us we’re wrong, we go back. It’s time for us to stand up as big men and women and take votes... If we don’t do that tonight, we are doing a disservice to the men and women of Everett and we don’t deserve our paychecks at the end of the month.”

Hanlon said Everett is diverse across the board, and he doesn’t think there are any particular “pockets” of people who are being disenfranchised. He said the change needed to happen with a Charter Commission.

“Maybe they went into Lowell and found whole areas of that city that are Latino, so they had to change it,” he said. “Where do you find that in Everett? Where are these pockets of people? I see Haitians all over the city. I see Italians all over the city. I see Irish people all over the city. I see Latinos all over the city. So the point is where are these pockets that deserve this representation? I don’t find it bad that we want to change the charter, but we should be looking into electing a Charter Commission.”

The matter will be forwarded to the State House, and it will likely be scheduled for a hearing in the Joint Committee of the House and Senate.

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CITY PAWS

Learn from your Animals in 2021

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you ever read one of the many versions of "All I Really Need to Know I Learned from my Dog?" Or, as the case may be, "... from my cat?"

Some of the lessons included in these collections are pure humor. Like the cat saying, "When you go out into the world, always remember, being placed on a pedestal is a right, not a privilege." Or, the dog philosophy that "If it lands on the floor, it's mine!"

Others are life lessons for humans. Think about the things a dog or cat does each day that contributes to a bet-

ter life for them (or for you) to see what you can learn.

Play, Rest, and Always Stretch

Every day our animals show us a pace of life we should emulate. Like them, we should "Run, romp, and play daily." After that activity, they believe they should, "Take naps and stretch before rising."

Even when Penny entices Poppy out of bed in the morning with the promise of cookies, our food-obsessed Westie will pause for a long, complete-body stretch before racing for the promised treat.

Provide Quiet Comfort

One of our favorite axioms from the dog list is, "When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently." Cats would say, "Curl up in their lap and purr away."

Throughout this challenging year, many of us have benefited from the unconditional love and creature comfort of cats and dogs. People cleared the animal shelters during the pandemic. They were seeking companions to lessen their feelings of isolation, distract them from constant anxiety, give them a reason to get out and walk their dog, or take time to

play with their cats.

While Westies as a breed are not lap-dogs, our Poppy is a loyal cuddler. She'll sense when one of us needs her and hop up next to us on the sofa or chair. She settles in with a sigh and offers her presence like a balm for our sad moments.

She'll also celebrate when we're happy. Some anonymous person describes this as, "The best thing about dogs is you can act like something really good just happened and they'll instantly start celebrating. They have no idea what the context is, they're just always ready to party."

Provide Early Warnings

The dog version of this is, "Avoid biting when a simple growl will do." Cats might say, "Arch your back and give a little hiss before you scratch." This is a lesson so many of us have to learn after an era of anger and confrontation.

Humans often fail to give the early signals that might prevent a blow-up. They hold things inside far too long and then shock people when they lose control of their anger. Yes, some dogs will snap first and some cats don't want anyone near them. However, these animals do use body language to ward off pushy

people even in those cases.

Years ago, we made business cards for our dog Sassy and listed her as Vice President of Security and Morale. She usually loved everyone but offered a soft growl and walked away when a certain man visited the office. Eventually, we learned we should not have trusted him and fired him as our client.

We hope that in 2021 we'll continue to learn from the animals who are a part of our community. They can be a form of continuing education and inspiration.

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

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 Chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General Laws (Wetlands Protection Act) that the City of Revere Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing via remote participation on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM upon the application (Request for an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation) of Redgate Capital Partners for the property at 22 Whittin Avenue Extension. A copy of the Applicant's "Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation" application will be available at the Department of Planning & Community Development at Revere City Hall Monday through Thursday 8:15 AM to 5:00 PM.

In accordance with an Executive Order issued on March 12, 2020 by Governor Baker, the public hearing as advertised will be held remotely. Remote meeting participation information will be published on the Conservation Commission agenda at least 48 hours in advance of the public hearing, not including weekends or holidays at www.revere.org/calendar. Alternatively, commentary on this public hearing may be submitted in writing to nmoulaison@revere.org

org or by mail to Office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151. Nick Moulaison, Sr., Chairman Revere Conservation Commission

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 Chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General Laws Wetlands Protection Act and Revised City of Revere Ordinances Title 16 Environmental Chapter 16.04 Wetlands Protection that the City of Revere Conservation Commission will hold a remote Public Hearing conducted via a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. pursuant to a Notice of Intent application filed by Phil Contreras relative to construction of duplex houses at #6 & 14 Beverly Street. Contact the Conservation Commission Chairman at nmoulaison@revere.org to request a review of the application or to obtain further application and participation information. The Conservation Commission's agenda with Zoom meet-

ing access information will be available on-line at <https://www.revere.org/calendar> at least 48 hours in advance of the public hearing. 12/30/20 R

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matilda O. Bonfardeci and Enrico Bonfardeci to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated October 30, 2006 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40657, Page 293 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1 is the present holder by Assignment from Sand Canyon Corporation FKA Option One Mortgage Corporation to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1 dated August 10, 2016 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 56607, Page 71, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 229 Conant Street, Revere, MA 02151

will be sold at a Public Auction at 3:00 PM on January 11, 2021, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on Conant Street, in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, being lots 223 and 224 on a plan by Whitman & Howard dated May 5, 1916, recorded with Suffolk Deeds at the end of Book 4077, bounded and described as follows: NORTHWESTERLY by Conant Street, forty-five (45) feet; NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 222 on said plan, one hundred (100) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY by Lots 193 and 194 on said plan, forty-five (45) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 225 on said plan, one hundred (100) feet. Containing according to said plan, four thousand five hundred (4,500) square feet of land. For my title see deed recorded herewith. For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40657, Page 291. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to

precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession. Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1 Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851

(978) 256-1500 Bonfardeci, Matilda O., 16-026475 12/16/20, 12/23/20, 12/30/20 R

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. SU20P0138EA Estate of: Diane Antonucci Date of Death: October 18, 2019 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Phillip Antonucci of Revere, MA.

Phillip Antonucci of Revere, 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. 12/30/20 R

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by G/J Towing Inc of 22 Whittin Ave Ext Revere, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L.c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after January 7, 2021 beginning at 10:00 am by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers' lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale. Vehicles are being stored at G/J Towing, Inc. 1. 2013 Ford Escape VIN 1FMCU9GX5DUC06210 2. 2019 Nissan Altima VIN 1N4BL48V0KC255139 3. 2016 Scion IA VIN 3MYDLBZV6GY118882 Signed, Frank Russo G/J Towing Inc 12/23, 12/30, 1/6 R

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- Establishes community contacts to help those in need;
- Organizes events with residents including the summer outing event;
- Assists the Housing Management Department with resident concerns/issues;
- Reports to the Director of Housing Management
- Other duties as needed.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- MSW/Licensed Social Worker required, plus 5 years progressively responsible work in health and social services or other advocacy fields. This is a part-time position; up to 18 hours per week.

HOW TO APPLY:

Cover letter, resume and three (3) professional references to: Carlos A. Lopez, Executive Director, Revere Housing Authority 70 Cooledge Street Revere, MA 02151. Accepting resumes until position filled. RHA is an equal opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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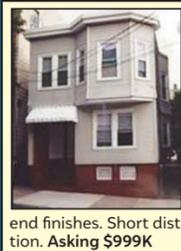
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located on Washington Avenue. Both candidates showed their exceptional knowledge of the issues during the debate.

Giannino, who had regularly topped the ticket in her previous races for councilor-at-large, ultimately prevailed in the Democratic Primary, defeating Gravellese. There was no Republican candidate for the office.

Giannino will be inaugurated next week as the state representative for the 16th Suffolk District. Giannino has announced that Richard Serino will continue in his capacity as legislative aide.

The passing of Ronald Jannino

Ronald Jannino, Revere's popular and dedicated representative on the Northeast Regional School Committee, died on June 20. He was 75.

Mr. Jannino, who served in the position for 35 years, was credited with helping thousands of Revere students earn placement at the vocational high school in Wakefield. He was a goodwill ambassador for the school and looking forward to playing a key role in the design and construction of a new Northeast Regional high school.

The City Council unanimously appointed Melissa Jannino Elam, Mr. Jannino's daughter, to an interim position on the Regional School Commit-

tee.

In the November election for the seat, Anthony Caggiano, whose parents worked at Northeast and whose sons are alumni of the school, was elected. Caggiano will begin his four-term in January.

Mayor Arrigo names first-ever Cabinet

Mayor Brian Arrigo may become a national trendsetter with his innovative decision to form the first-ever Revere Cabinet to assist in the administering of city operations across the board.

Arrigo named the following individual to prestigious leadership positions in the Cabinet: Chief of Police David Callahan, Fire Chief Christopher Bright, Chief of Staff Robert Marra, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dianne Kelly, Chief Financial Officer Richard Viscay, Chief of Planning and Development Robert O'Brien, Chief of Innovation Reuben Kantor, Chief of Infrastructure and Public Works Don Ciaramella, Chief of Public Health and Human Services Kim Hanton, and Chief of Human Resources John Viarella.

Hanton is the new Chief of Staff to Mayor Arrigo, replacing Attorney Bob Marra, who decided to retire after an excellent tenure in the key position.

Revere Develops At A Brisk Pace

If you've had the op-



Councillor Jessica Giannino is shown with her biggest fans, her Grandmother, JoAnne Giannino and her father, RPD Sgt. Christopher Giannino and her dog, Sam Adams. A pink light burned brightly in the window all day leading to the victory Tuesday night.

portunity to walk or drive through Revere Beach Boulevard or Ocean Avenue, then you've seen the incredible development going on in that area of the city.

Beautiful and modern residences are rising, new restaurants opening, and newcomers choosing Revere as an exciting, vibrant place to live.

Shirley Avenue has also experienced a dramatic rebirth, with new residences and businesses opening. Under the leadership of developer Jamie Russo, "The Ave" is perfectly situated near public transportation and it is becoming one of the most sought-after places to live, advancing the optimism that Mayor Brian Arrigo had for the area.

The Avid Hotel on American Legion Highway is a beautiful, new addition to the hospitality

scene.

Major renovations to Revere parks and playground

Project manager Elle Baker of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development had an amazing year carrying out Mayor Arrigo's vision for the renovation of parks in the city.

From Sonny Myers Park (located adjacent to the newly renovated Revere History Museum) to Gibson Park, Baker has been leading the way to give Revere families, especially children, new, modern, and safe facilities for outdoor recreational opportunities.

With the state-of-the-art Harry Della Russo Stadium and the new fields and concession stand at Griswold Park (St. Mary's fields), Revere is becoming



On the front lines at CHA Everett, from front to back: Tammy Desimone, RN, Denise Anderson RN, and Denis Dauphinee, surgical tech and author.

ing second to none in its parks and playgrounds.

Ambrose Park is slated for a makeover and by this summer, neighborhood residents will be no doubt utilizing the park in high numbers.

Baker is also collaborating with Ward 1 Councilor Joanne McKenna on the building of a communi-

ty garden on Broadstreet Avenue. The garden will be named in memory of former city councillor and popular Revere resident Corey Abrams.

In a related note, Baker will be playing a key role in Mayor Arrigo's newly formed Public Art Commission.



Artistic wares made in Revere, MA



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