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## NEWS BRIEFS

### NEW MEAL SCHEDULE

City officials announced that the meal distribution at Oak Island Park, Gibson Park and Harmon Park will take place only on Tuesday and Friday from 1:15 to 1:45 p.m. The new schedule will remain in effect until further notice.

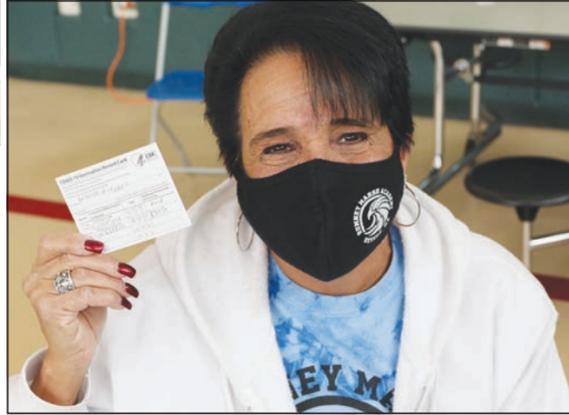
### MASSACHUSETTS NATIONAL GUARD TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

In response to a request from federal authorities for continued support, approximately 400 members of the Massachusetts National Guard will be deployed to Washington, D.C. See NEWS BRIEFS Page 5



On Friday in the Rumney Marsh Academy, the city in conjunction with the RPS administration, held a COVID-19 vaccine clinic for Revere Public Schools teachers and staff. Shown above, Superintendent of Revere Public Schools, Diane Kelly with teachers, Victoria Brenckle, Brian MacDonald, and Wayne Godbout.

Shown above, Dr. Lourenco Garcia get his vaccination from Kathleen Savage. Shown to the right, Andrea Meriano, secretary at the RMA holds up her vaccine card.



## City, EBNHC administer vaccines to RPS employees

By Cary Shuman

The City of Revere and its Board of Health, in partnership with the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, administered doses of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to Revere school employees during a six-hour clinic Friday at the Rumney Marsh Academy. The Moderna vaccine is one of three (Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson are the others) that came about as the result of President Donald J. Trump's Opera-

tion Warp Speed initiative that is hailed universally as "a medical miracle" for its accelerated development of the vaccines that are being administered to millions of people nationwide. Dr. Dianne Kelly, superintendent of Revere schools, said all school employees were invited to the vaccination clinic. A total of 540 school employees received vaccinations. "It is a really exciting day for the Revere Schools," said Kelly. "It

happens to be the anniversary of the last time out kids were in classrooms for in-person instruction. This has been a tough year for everyone and we are thrilled to be able to add this layer of protection for our staff." After stopping in at the clinic, Mayor Brian Arrigo posted on Facebook an upbeat, heartfelt video message that he had recorded from inside his vehicle in the front parking area at Rumney Marsh. "It's

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## Veteran Services Director Silvestri expresses thanks to DoorDash for generous gift to city

By Cary Shuman

DoorDash is a well-known online food ordering and delivery company, but to Veterans Services Director Marc Silvestri, DoorDash's latest delivery in the city was just plain awesome. Silvestri said the company reached out to the Veteran Services office and donated 80 gift codes (similar to gift cards), each worth \$25, to Revere residents, helping them during the pandemic.

Silvestri said the \$25 gifts were distributed first to veterans residing in the veterans' complex at 123 Shirley Avenue. "They were able to download the codes on their phones and order from any restaurant that's on the list for delivery up to \$25," said Silvestri. The gift cards were then distributed to other veterans in the city. "In between the monthly food banks, we'd give them the gift codes," said Silvestri. "Most recently,

we've helped our chronically homeless in this program." A former Revere High football great and highly decorated U.S. Army veteran, Silvestri said he personally contacted DoorDash officials to thank them for their generous donation to Revere veterans during the pandemic. "They stepped up in a big, big way in giving us the ability to reach out to our veterans, our seniors,

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## GREEN LIGHT

### Subcommittee votes in favor of RiverFront Overlay District

By Cary Shuman

The Revere City Council's Zoning Subcommittee voted by a 5-1 margin to approve the RiverFront Overlay District proposal that is part of the RiverFront Master Plan that will transform 20 acres of land in the Riverside/Point of Pines neighborhood into a brand new development. Chair Patrick Keefe and Councilors Anthony Zambuto, Jessica Giannino Gerry Visconti, and Arthur Guinasso voted in favor of the proposal that included amendments by Keefe. Councilor Richard Serino voted against the proposal.

The Subcommittee was deadlocked at 3-3 at its last meeting on March 8, but Keefe and Visconti voted in the affirmative Monday. The vote came at the end of a nearly two-hour meeting Monday during which some residents in the Point of Pines neighborhood spoke primarily in opposition of one key element of the plan which is apparently a 290-unit residence to be built on the G and J property. Damian Szary of Redgate, who has developed some of the outstanding, new properties in Revere, was present at the meeting but did not speak about his plans during the meeting.

**Keefe's amendments**  
Keefe, who truly had "done his homework" on the matter since the last meeting and directly answered concerns from residents, explained the

amendments to the original proposal that were also approved by a 5-1 vote. Going forward the amendments will create and require more community input on any future private and public proposals for the G and J site. It will establish rigorous parking restrictions for the neighborhood. And it will require more accountability from the City Planning and Mayor Brian Arrigo's Office in regard to the implementation on all of the recreational and city amenity space that is being proposed with the Master Plan. "We also added that in any future restaurant or commercial business associated with a private development give preference to Revere residents," explained Keefe. The Subcommittee chairperson also stressed repeatedly at the meeting that approval of the Zoning Overlay District proposal "adds to the use of the site and creates an ability for a future proposal, but does not grant any current project (such as the 290-unit residence)." **Powers responds to new fire station construction**  
Some residents, notably Eric Lampedecchio of Tapley Avenue, wondered openly at the meeting why construction on the new Point of Pines fire station has not begun. In one of his most vigorous speeches as a city councillor, John Powers responded to that issue

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## GIANNINO AND SERINO MAKE A SPLASH FOR BETTER BEACHES



Team Giannino took a plunge into the somewhat frigid waters off Revere Beach as a part of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's #HarpoonShamrockSplash on Friday, March 12. "Ricky and I raised funds for Save the Harbor's 'Better Beaches Program,' which provides free community programming on the Metropolitan Beaches of Greater Boston," Giannino said. Normally, this is done on a day with lots of people, but because of the pandemic, Save the Harbor and Harpoon got creative, and decided to make this year's splash virtual.

For the latest news in Revere that you need to know, check [reverejournal.com](http://reverejournal.com)

# Perno elected vice-chair of Commission on Disabilities

Staff report

The Revere Commission on Disabilities (COD) elected long-time member Pauline Perno as its new vice-chairperson at the commission's meeting on March 9.

In other business, the commissioners asked the city's motor vehicle owners not to park their vehicles in their driveways such that they are overhanging the city's sidewalks, but to pull their vehicles all the way into their driveways.

Parking in this manner creates a safety hazard for

all pedestrians and especially for those with disabilities.

Perno related how she was walking her dog around her neighborhood and had to navigate a small obstacle course because some cars were not parked fully in their driveways.

Chairman Ralph DeCicco agreed with Perno's comments.

"It is illegal to park this way even if you are sitting in the car," said DeCicco. "A visually-impaired resident walking on the sidewalk cannot see a car sticking out."

"This is especially bad at night, as lighting is an issue," added Commissioner Jason Barone.

The tentative date for Autism Awareness Day has been set for April 2. Revere Parks and Recreation will be holding activities throughout the month during Autism Awareness Month.

The commissioners have been lobbying for grants and funding to get as many students who have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) back to school as soon as possible. They also have raised the issue of summer school classes

for students on IEPs.

In closing, the commissioners reminded residents that because of COVID-19 restrictions and the need to ensure the safety of all residents, the Commission on Disabilities is trying to limit in-person appointments because of the unavailability and use of its present office location.

Residents can speak to staff from the commission's 311 Constituent Service Center Monday through Friday by calling the office at 781-286-8267. Staff will be able to answer most questions, but if they are unable to do

so, or if a resident would like a call back from the office, they should ask to be transferred to the disability office's voicemail and someone will get back to them as soon as possible.

The commissioners noted that they are working on solidifying another temporary location for the commission's office for necessary in-person appointments as determined by the COD on Friday mornings.

The commission will update this information when available on the City of Revere's Commission on Disabilities web page.

As always, the commission invites all residents to please let the commission know if they would like something discussed or brought up and added to the monthly meeting agenda. Residents also can let the commission know if they would like to speak on any issue or concern. The commission is here to help and assist all of the disabled residents and families of Revere.

The commission's next meeting (via Zoom) will be held on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

# Revere students and parents call for substantial state funding as schools reopen

By John Lynds

With the promised funding from the landmark education bill that was signed into law before the COVID pandemic hit is still up in the air, Revere students and parents on Tuesday called for the state to fully fund the Student Opportunity Act Funding (SOA).

During a virtual press conference hosted by the Massachusetts Education Justice Alliance on Tuesday students, parents, and school committee members from cities across Massachusetts discussed their school funding needs, their perspectives on in-person school reopening this spring, and their aspirations for education this summer and during the upcoming school year.

Both Nada Abou Hadiba, a Revere Public Schools student, and Ina Tall, a Revere Public School Parent Leader and Program Coordinator of Women Encouraging Empowerment testified at the virtual press conference and shared their thoughts.

At the press conference, which will be held over Zoom, Hadiba and Tall joined students, parents, and school committee members from Boston, Chelsea, Lawrence, Lowell and Randolph to discuss safety measures, social/emotional and educational supports, and other resources they're looking for from their public schools as well as the need for substantial state funding to support those needs.

"My name is Nada and I'm a senior at Revere High School," Habida be-

gan. "I have siblings who all attend Revere Public Schools, two of which have IEPs so they require extra help and support such as speech therapy and occupational therapy. Over the past year they have fallen behind on schoolwork as they were unable to attend online school. Since both of my parents work full time, I was required to step in and take care of my siblings. Being a senior and applying to colleges it is very difficult doing that on top of being a teacher for my younger brother. Next year when I'm in college they'll need even more help. But right now the schools don't have the funding to hire enough teachers, counselors and other staff to provide the services my siblings need."

Habida said the SOA was supposed to fix those issues and she is frustrated as a student, daughter and sister.

"I know that I'll miss out on the new funding because I'll be finished with high school but there's still time to help my younger siblings and all the other kids their age," said Habida. "They need better special education services and additional help to catch up from the learning they missed this year and older students are going to need more guidance counselors to help them apply for college while balancing so many different responsibilities. The whole time I've been in school, we've known that Massachusetts public schools were underfunded

but the state didn't act to fix the problem until 2019. I don't want my siblings to have to go through the same experience of going to underfunded schools their entire academic career. I want the state to get back on track and fully fund the student opportunity."

Tall, who is also the mother of a Revere High School 10th grader, said she has seen first hand how remote learning has impacted her daughter's education and funding is going to be needed to bridge the gaps left behind after a year of remote schooling.

"After a year of being fully remote my daughter is understandably ready to go back to school and see her peers, which she misses very much," said Tall. "However, as a mom I am worried about her grades and her future. At the beginning of the school year, she was getting up every morning and was getting ready for class. She was excited. She would sit at her desk and turn on her camera. However, within a week she stopped doing that because no one else was showing their face. Little by little, she stopped getting out of bed and would just join class from her bed. Neither my husband and I worked from home so we were not there to encourage her to stay connected and turn the camera on and to be engaged."

Tall said as time went by she could see that her daughter was losing interest in school.

"Despite her best effort I could see how much she was struggling to keep

up with her grades," said Tall. "Now that the opportunity is here to go back to school she is overjoyed but I am worried. I am worried that the students will be so eager to see each other, that they might not always abide by safety rules. Many students, especially the younger ones, may have a hard time following guidelines and students may have to spend more time making sure everybody's safe, and might not be able to teach classes effectively. Teachers will need to have one or two assistants to help them keep everyone safe. Moreover, after a year of isolation and lack of social interaction some students may find it very difficult to adjust to the discipline required to be in class again."

Tall said she was very concerned about the mental health of many of Revere's students.

"I strongly believe that the state should allocate more resources to support students in need that may not have been able to counselling while in remote (learning)," said Tall. "Many were motivated to learn but may have never enjoyed classes while in remote. So how will those students be taken care of? How can we ensure that every student regardless of their personal circumstance is given the best opportunity to succeed?" While students in this district fall behind because of a lack of resources, our schools, which serve low income students and students of color, need funding more than ever before. So please don't fail us, our students, our children, and give them the money

that they deserve."

The SOA overhauled the state's education funding formula to ensure equity for all students, especially those in low-income areas.

Because the state has not updated its education funding formula since 1993 to reflect districts' real health insurance and special education costs, the amount of aid being provided to cover those costs had been too small for decades.

In January 2020 Governor Charlie Baker signed S. 2412, An Act Relative to Educational Opportunity for Students, or the SOA, which would have boosted investment in public schools by \$1.5 billion annually when fully phased in over the next seven years.

However, when COVID hit in March 2019 budget shortfalls pushed SOA spending to the wayside.

Revere Public Schools was expected to receive over \$7 million in SOA funding.

The state legislature's Ways and Means Committee met Tuesday to begin reviewing the Governor's proposed FY22 budget.

At the press conference students and parents plan to keep pushing for a true commitment to fully fund public school and call for putting the state's commitment to public education funding back on track.

One demand by the group Tuesday is that the state delivers at least two of the seven years of promised funding increases under the SOA in the next state budget.

## Silvestri //

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and our homeless in a time of need," said Silvestri. "It gave us an opportunity to provide a fast, easy solution to their situation."

Silvestri said he hopes to work with DoorDash representatives on a future partnership that would assist veterans.

Silvestri continues to operate monthly food distribution stations for veterans at the American



Director of Veteran Services, Marc Silvestri.

Legion Hall on Broadway. The food distributions are held the first Wednesday of every month from 10 a.m. to noon.

"Each person receives 70 pounds of groceries, fresh vegetables, eggs, and other food items," said Silvestri.

Veterans or members of veterans' families are eligible for the food distribution program.

## RiverFront // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

and other concerns among his constituents in the Point of Pines.

"This [fire station] is going to happen," said Powers. "As a matter of fact, right now, there is a document at the purchasing agent's office that will call for the asbestos abatement team to come in and the chief has assured me demolition will start sometime in April, if not the end of March," said Powers.

He also addressed concerns from some residents, including Acting Point of Pines Beach Association President Angela Sawaya, that residents at the new Redgate building would be inclined to use the nearby Point of Pines Beach which is private. Residents did raise the cogent point that enforcing such a prohibition may be difficult with such a nearby inviting space available, especially so during the summer.

"I spoke with Damian [Szary] and he indicated to me that part of their lease agreement is going to have a section that informs the people that it's a private beach and to use

that beach would be violating their lease agreement," said Powers.

"Who's going to enforce these rules for beach access?" asked Michael Maynard following Powers' comments.

Powers said he also requested "resident parking only" restrictions in the Riverside and Point of Pines neighborhoods.

"No one [from the proposed Redgate development] will get a residence [parking] sticker," said Powers.

Powers said the current G and J Towing property is "a dump, a junk storage yard."

He said the new development will result in \$750,000 for the city's Community Investment Trust Fund that will be spent in the Ward 5 section of Revere, \$750,000 from permitting fees, and \$500,000 from other sources resulting from the development. He also said the new development will generate "a million dollars in tax revenue per year versus the \$60,000 we're getting now, so just in increased revenue alone is \$940,000 for the city

of Revere - and you're getting rid of an eyesore, and I think with the proper safeguards, this is going to be a great project for the city of Revere."

### Transparency issue

During the meeting, a few residents expressed their belief that the Master Plan process has not been transparent despite several meetings and Council discussions about the issue.

Giannino, who is also a state representative, took exception to those comments.

"I normally don't rebut to negative or nasty comments, but I'm getting a few on the transparency issue," said Giannino. "I just want to make it very clear that all of the meetings that I've been part of - I've seen multiple projects happen in the city and I've been a part of many boards and organizations that have planned projects like this."

"This was published on Revere TV, this was in the newspaper, this was online," said Giannino. "Every single meeting was also on the city website. In

terms of transparency and feeling blind-sided, I don't know what else we could have done to let people know what was happening because I believe we've covered every source of media, print and digital you could possibly imagine."

"The Revere Riverfront district is the northern gateway to Revere and the North Shore's first impression of our community," said Mayor Arrigo. "Our plan has always been to make the Revere Riverfront an active and attractive link between the vibrant Riverside and Point of Pines neighborhoods. I commend the City Council for aligning with our vision of the Riverfront and look forward to the outcome of our efforts."

### Proposal will be reviewed at March 22 Council meeting

The Subcommittee's favorable recommendation for the RiverFront Overlay District proposal will now go before the full City Council at its next meeting for a vote.

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**SPOTLIGHT**

RevereTV is ready to launch the updated spring programming schedule! A new setup will hit your screens on Monday, March 22nd. The senior programming series, including the exercise videos, concerts, and "The Senior FYI" will remain as they are on weekday mornings. Shows produced by community members will still air at least twice per week, once on either Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, and once on the weekend. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings will be mostly dedicated to one-time-only specials and time sensitive community coverage.

The new schedule has led some community members programs into new time slots. RevereTV will be reaching out to current active members to alert them of any scheduling change with their shows. If you are a RevereTV community member that is hoping to air something new, feel free to contact the studio to set that up.

A new episode of "The Senior FYI" was recorded last week. This is playing on the community channel on Mondays at 1pm, Thursdays at 1pm, and Fridays at 8:30am. It is also posted to Facebook and YouTube to watch at any time. This latest episode features Director of Elder Affairs, Debbie Peczkla, and the Rossetti-Cowan Senior Center's newest employees. The senior center has hired more staff to help with outreach to residents 75 and older who have not yet been vaccinated. Watch this new episode to learn more!

The Revere High School basketball teams are beginning to play again! RevereTV has arranged to cover all RHS basketball games in the month of March. The first games began last week so if you missed them, you can watch as they replay on the channel or any time on the RTV YouTube page. The games are on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and will be covered as they happen live.

Don't forget that RevereTV will stream and replay all city government meetings. This past week's meetings included the Zoning Sub-Committee, City Council, Commission on Disabilities, and a Human Rights Commission Listening Session. Meetings are aired live on Comcast channel 9 and RCN 13 and 613. You can watch past meetings in full at any time on the RevereTV YouTube page.



Director of Revere Parks and Recreation, Mike Hinojosa keeps the rank and file entertained with a cornhole game and cookies for their efforts.



Superintendent Diane Kelly is with Revere Public School staffers, Steven Bohn, Eve Cabral, Robyn D'Apolito, Mary Stormon-Flynn, Errachid Jahdakane.

### Teacher clinic // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

been exactly a year that we shut down schools to in-person learning," said Arrigo. "Here I am now a year later coming out of a vaccination where many residents and teachers are getting vaccinated and I really do think the light at the end of the tunnel is finally here. And watching our vaccinations happen and seeing the faces and seeing all the folks that I haven't seen in a while, and to see them in person was really special."

Interestingly, two Whelan School third-grade teachers and Revere High girls basketball coaches, Matt Willis and Melissa Moore-Randall, received their vaccination shots on the day of their team's season opener. Willis received his vaccination after the game while Moore-Randall received her shot two hours before the game. Revere Director of Athletics Frank Shea didn't miss a beat in his administration of Revere

High's basketball doubleheader as he traveled over to Rummy Marsh in between games to receive his vaccination.

"I just think for every teacher, it's [the vaccination shot] a wonderful thing to hopefully get our kids back safely into the schools," said Willis. "I can't say enough good things about Revere schools and the city of Revere in general and how they've gotten us into sports and they're getting the students back - they waited and made sure they're doing it the right way."

Moore-Randall, whose daughter (Dani Hope Randall) is a student in the Revere school district, received her first of what will be two Moderna vaccine doses. She was impressed by the excellent organization of the vaccine clinic.

"They had it down to like a science - the setup was great," lauded



Karen Atkinson, a Phys Ed Teacher at the Hill School gets her vaccination from RN Marina Stasio.

Moore-Randall. "You walked in. You checked in. You went over to your nurse and she asked you all the medical questions. Your nurse administered the shot and then you had to sit and wait 15 minutes to make sure you had no side effects."

Moore-Randall is looking forward to the return of students to her classroom.

"I think my colleagues

and my daughter's teachers have done an amazing job with the remote learning," said Moore-Randall. "But it doesn't replace in-person learning. So the kids need to be back in the classroom with their



Adrienne Maguire RN looks over her computer for the day's activities. According to Maguire, 175 private daycare workers, 600 teachers and staff members will be vaccinated at the Rummy Marsh Academy facility.

teachers, even if it's a hybrid model. It's been a year so it's going to be a tough transition getting the students back into the classroom, but I think that's the best place for them.

"I feel the School Department has done a tremendous job preparing all of the schools for a safe return to in-person learning," concluded Moore-Randall.

## First Congregational Church hits the pavement for Project Bread's Walk for Hunger in May

Staff report

On May 2, First Congregational Church of Revere will be among thousands of virtual participants to lace up for Project Bread's 53rd annual Walk for Hunger. For the second consecutive year, the Revere-based nonprofit will participate in the event through The Commonwealth Program which gives 60 percent of all funds raised by teams from likeminded organizations and agencies back to support their own anti-hunger programs, with the remaining 40 percent applied to the statewide anti-hunger effort. Last year, Project Bread awarded a more than \$4,780 grant to First Congregational Church of Revere.

Historically, the Walk for Hunger, the nation's oldest continual pledge walk, takes place the first Sunday of May on the Boston Common. The 2021 fundraiser will be the second event to be done virtually and is expected to raise more than \$1 million to help get food to kids and families during the COVID-19 crisis.

"As the pandemic continues to take a financial toll on individuals and families, we must do everything we can to help the one in six households and one in five households with children across Massachusetts currently experiencing food insecurity," says McAleer. "Participating in the Walk for Hunger is one way in which residents can take action to fund school and community meal sites and Massachusetts' only statewide hotline that connects residents with a range of food resources, including

SNAP assistance. We can drive community change together."

Money raised through the Walk is funding Project Bread's urgent COVID-19 hunger-relief response work to ensure kids have reliable access to food, directly helping individuals and families, and advocating at the state and federal levels for expedited and efficient relief for those in need. Walk funds are also supporting community organizations that are helping access food during the crisis and grants to make sure communities have the resources necessary to respond to the hunger crisis being caused by COVID-19.

"Last year, it was incredible to see individual walkers and teams find new ways to raise funds, sewing and selling face masks, doing family challenges, writing songs and walking their own routes to raise awareness and funds to ensure Massachusetts neighbors have enough to eat," says Erin McAleer, CEO of Project Bread. "Collectively, they raised \$895,000."

This year's event will include Facebook Live check-ins throughout the day with McAleer, celebrity appearances, elected officials, walkers and volunteers posting and sharing their experiences along their neighborhood routes and why they are walking to help end hunger. Families with kids, individuals with dogs, and teams of corporate employees are encouraged to find creative ways to connect virtually and fundraise together.

To register as a virtual walker for Project Bread's Walk for Hunger, or to support a walker or team,

visit [projectbread.org/walk](http://projectbread.org/walk) or call (617) 723-5000. There is no registration fee or fundraising minimum to participate, although a \$250 minimum goal is suggested. Participants who raise \$500 or more are recognized as Heart & Sole walkers, and receive access to personalized fundraising support, exclusive event gear, and invitations to events.

People experiencing food insecurity should call into Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline (1-800-645-8333), which provides confidential assistance in accessing food resources in 180 languages and for the hearing impaired. Counselors can pre-screen families and help them to apply for SNAP, which would make them eligible for no charge or reduced-price school meals, and answer questions about eligibility for school meals through the National School Lunch Program. The most up to date meal site information is available through the FoodSource Hotline or at [projectbread.org/covid19](http://projectbread.org/covid19). Strict safety protocols and best practices for social distancing are being closely adhered to across distribution models and locations for maximum safety. No registration or ID is required to receive a meal. The nonprofit's COVID-19 Resources pages in English and Spanish.

Project Bread is the leading statewide anti-hunger organization in Massachusetts. Project Bread works collaboratively across sectors to create innovative solutions to end hunger and improve lives across the Commonwealth. For more information, visit: [www.projectbread.org](http://www.projectbread.org).



As a show of support for their teachers that are returning back to the classroom, RHS students greet them at the door to say thank you for their commitment to education.

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# Forum

## THE FILIBUSTER MUST END

The pros and cons of maintaining the filibuster in the U.S. Senate have reached the forefront of political discussion as never before -- and with good reason. Whether one believes that the filibuster protects the minority from the so-called tyranny of the majority or provides a means for the minority to obstruct the majority, the filibuster clearly is anti-democratic.

The filibuster is not part of our Constitution. It simply is a Senate rule upon which the Senate has carved out exceptions over the years, most notably for Presidential nominations and budget matters. The latter is referred to as reconciliation, which is how President Biden's \$1.9 trillion pandemic relief bill was enacted by a simple majority, as was the Republicans' \$2 trillion tax cut for the ultra-rich in 2017.

The rule allowing a filibuster may have made sense in the early 1800s when the U.S. was not divided between two parties. Political coalitions were much more fluid in the early days of our nation and compromise was common among senators.

However, after the Civil War, the battle lines were drawn between Democrats and the newly-formed Republican party (which only had come into existence in 1854), principally on the issue of race -- with the Democrats from the Solid South coalescing around the issue of segregation.

The so-called Dixiecrats -- embodied by Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina -- used the filibuster from the 1940s through the 1960s in an attempt to stymie Civil Rights legislation, especially the Voting Rights Act.

Though the racist efforts of Thurmond and others ultimately failed (only because the Senate obtained a 2/3 majority to end filibusters on those issues), the filibuster likely will be employed by Senate Republicans to obstruct voting reform measures that are necessary today.

The national Republican playbook to limit voting among non-white citizens once again is surging. Republican state legislators have filed more than 200 bills that would restrict voting in the coming elections in their states.

The very foundation of our democracy rests on the right of every citizen to vote. Legislation presently before Congress would ensure that voting rights are not abridged in any state. However, thanks to the arcane filibuster rule, the passage of a new Voting Rights Act faces little chance of success in the Senate.

The truth is this: The anti-democratic state efforts to limit voting rights most likely will be allowed to proceed because of the anti-democratic filibuster rule in the U.S. Senate -- and unless the Democratic majority in the Senate takes steps to abolish the filibuster rule, the United States will have a democracy in name only.

## MARVELOUS MARVIN WAS A GREAT FIGHTER AND A GREAT PERSON

The boxing world lost one of its all-time greats with the sudden passing of Marvellous Marvin Hagler this past week.

Hagler, a native of Newark who moved to Brockton as a teenager, reigned as the undisputed middleweight boxing champion of the world for seven years in the 1980s and is acknowledged as one of the greatest fighters of all time. His bout with Thomas Hearns, which lasted about eight minutes, is regarded as the greatest three rounds in boxing history.

We were fortunate to see one of Hagler's title fights when we covered his title defense for The Chelsea Record against Vito "The Mosquito" Antuofermo in the old Boston Garden in June, 1981 (we were stunned when we realized how long ago that fight was!).

We also had the pleasure of running into the champ after he had retired in an elevator in Boston at One Devonshire Place in the late 1980s. We only exchanged pleasantries, but Hagler's innate humility, graciousness, and sense of humor were apparent in our brief encounter.

Marvellous Marvin Hagler overcame his hard-scrabble background with an unparalleled sense of determination and hard work to become a world champion. His attainment of the pinnacle of his profession serves as a model for success in life in any endeavor.

Marvellous Marvin Hagler was a great fighter and a great person.

He will be missed.

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IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT SPRING IS HERE, MARCH 20

## LETTERS to the Editor

### REGARDING MARCH 10 ARTICLE ON 'REVERE TEACHERS STAGE PROTEST'

Dear Editor,

I write today to shed light on inaccurate and misleading information included in the article "Revere Teachers Stage Protest" which ran in the March 10th edition of your newspaper. According to the article, the teachers you spoke to, including Revere Teachers Association President Gina Garro, claimed incorrectly that the administration ordered 51 teachers back to the classroom. In particular, the article quotes Ms. Garro as stating "The administration has refused to grant most of the accommodation requests of working from home for members who have a medically documented heightened health risk". Accurate information in the article is limited -- the administration had in fact provided accommodations for 51 teachers to work from home in accordance with local, state and federal guidance, due to their increased risk of serious illness were they to contract Covid-19, while our students were learning remotely for the last seven months. But that is where the veracity of the account you were given ends.

As we began our return to the classroom in a hybrid model, our needs as a school district and especially those of our students were changing. Our ability to accommodate staff requests for accommodations and job modifications was changing as well. The administration team conducted meetings with each of those teachers, as well as with other employees, to re-assess their individual need for, and our ability to provide, any requested accommodations or job modifications. When we could grant those requests, we did so. At the time this article was published, we had conducted 37 meetings. Twenty-nine teachers' requests were granted. Eight were not. Twenty of those teachers who were granted requests were allowed to continue working fully remotely until a date after students return or indefinitely. These de-

isions were all based on supporting documentation provided by employees. When staff members did not provide such documentation or made requests that would significantly interfere with student schedules and other staff schedules, posing an undue burden on a school's ability to move to the hybrid model, the requests were rightfully denied. Even then, however, these employees -- limited in number -- were invited to take a leave of absence, with their jobs held for them, until such time as they feel comfortable returning.

I am disappointed that, even though the leadership of the Teachers Association knew all this information before their protest and before they spoke to The Revere Journal, they nonetheless chose to give you this incomplete and misleading version. We intend to continue to be completely transparent about the process of returning to school as it evolves. We invite the Teachers Association to do the same. As always, our administrative team will continue to make decisions based on the best interests of our students.

Dianne Kelly

### LOOKING AT THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE PRIMARY ELECTION

Dear Editor,

The Special Election Democratic Primary for State Representative on Tuesday, March 2nd produced Jeff Turco as the winner, just as expected by many local people who followed the race.

Much has been written in the Boston media in the week following the race as to how the progressive vote was split between Juan Jaramillo of Revere and Alicia DelVento of Winthrop, as if ideology is the only reason to explain people's votes, and that the Winthrop-Revere Representative District is progressive.

First of all, people vote for many reasons in local elections, such as which community they are from, what organizations they belong to, what relationships they have with friends and neighbors,

not just about policy positions.

Second, Revere and Winthrop are really moderate municipalities.

For instance, in the September 2018 Democratic Primary for Suffolk County District Attorney won by progressive Rachel Rollins, the most conservative candidate, Greg Henning, won in both Revere and Winthrop.

Voter turnout in the District was a key factor in this race, with three candidates from Winthrop and only one candidate from Revere.

The turnout in Winthrop was 3,259 or 69% of the total, while in Revere it was 1,463 or 31%.

By comparison, in the September 2020 Democratic Primary for U. S. Senate between Ed Markey and Joe Kennedy, the turnout in Winthrop was 3,956 or 58% of the total, while in Revere it was 2,874 or 42%.

Winthrop's total vote decreased by 697 votes or 18% between the two elections held six months apart, while Revere's total vote decreased by 1,411 votes or 49%.

It is evident that Winthrop voters were much more interested in the race

and the candidates than Revere voters.

Part of the reason for the decline in the Revere vote was probably due to the failure of Revere Veterans Service Officer Marc Silvestri to obtain enough valid signatures to make the ballot.

Let's look at how the candidates did in each community by percentages.

Jeff Turco received 41% of the Winthrop vote and 26% of the Revere vote; Juan Jaramillo received only 15% of the Winthrop vote and a huge 63% of the Revere vote; Alicia DelVento received 34% of the Winthrop vote and only 8% of the Revere vote; and Tino Capobianco received 10% of the Winthrop vote and 3% of the Revere vote.

If Marc Silvestri had made the ballot and an additional nine hundred (900) or so voters turned out to vote for him in Revere, the final result would still have produced Jeff Turco as the winner, but with a good number of the votes cast for Jaramillo, as the only Revere candidate, transferring to Silvestri.

The demise of Capobianco

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REVERE THROUGH THE YEARS

10 years ago  
March 16, 2011

Former Revere Library Director Bob Rice Jr. has been indicted by a Suffolk County Grand Jury on 21 counts, including embezzlement and procurement fraud. Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley's office told the Journal on Tuesday afternoon that Rice had been indicted on three counts of larceny of property over \$250, three counts of embezzlement by a city official and 15 counts of procurement fraud. He will be arraigned in Boston's Suffolk Superior Court on April 1st. Reached by phone at his current job as library director in Pelham, NH, Rice said he didn't have a comment right now, but that he wished to respond through his attorney at a later date. Rice did an animated interview with a Lowell newspaper a few years back completely refuting the allegations, even going as far as to say he was set up by Mayor Tom Ambrosino.

The Necco Candy Company's principal owner has decided to pull the manufacturer off the auction block. American Capital announced last week that the process to "explore strategic options" for the company has been suspended. American Capital put the candy company on the market - through a New York City broker - last November. American Capital said in a press release last week that it believes Necco can still be a good return on its investment. A communication to

the city from Necco last week indicated that operating revenues were down this year to some degree, which had caused a dip in jobs at the factory. However, Necco indicated that they'd be stepping things up.

Revere resident Gary Ferragamo is on the front lines of technology as the vice-president of sales for a new mobile marketing business, Waltham-based CaptureCode, which eliminates the need for retail customers to carry clip-out coupons and loyalty cards. The cards and coupons can be loaded onto customers' smartphones. Retailers using the program also will be able to track their customers' buying habits.

The Revere Public Library children's program packed in visitors a few weeks ago to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday, an annual popular tradition. The RPL held several celebrations at the library and also concluded the week at the Cronin Skating Rink for a 'Cat in the Hat' ice skating party.

Rango, Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules, and The Lincoln Lawyer are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

20 years ago  
March 21, 2001

City Councilor Arthur Guinasso has filed for reconsideration of the Council's 5-4 vote opposing Mayor Thomas Ambrosino's initiative to use the Police Chief Assessment Center, instead of the Civ-

il Service exam, to assist Ambrosino in selecting a new permanent Police Chief. Guinasso had been opposed to the idea, but it now may pass if he changes his vote.

Developers of the proposed Marriott Residence Inn on Revere Beach Boulevard have told the Journal that the project is on hold. The company had planned to break ground in May, but cited the economic downturn as having a negative effect on the project.

High occupancy rates for hotels in the city have yielded \$255,000 in taxes on hotel rooms. The current maximum tax allowed under state law is four percent.

School Committeeman Gerry D'Ambrosio has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election in November in order to devote more attention to his family and law practice.

A federal jury has cleared two current Revere police officers and one current officer of civil rights violations for an incident in August of 1996 for alleged brutality charges during an arrest when they responded to a call for youths kicking a woman's car on Beach St.

Enemy at the Gates, Heartbreakers, and Memento are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

30 years ago  
March 20, 1991

A Superior Court judge has ordered that former Police Chief John A.

"Jake" DeLeire be given his pension, which had been taken away by the Revere Retirement Board. DeLeire, 58, was convicted in federal court and sentenced to four years in prison for his role in the ExamScam case in which copies of the Civil Service exams were sold to those taking the test ahead of time. Judge Patrick King said that because DeLeire resigned his position prior to his conviction, he may receive his pension. City officials said they will appeal the ruling.

More Revere Beach condos are going on the auction block this week with the announcement that 56 of the 129 ocean-view condos at Carabeta Enterprises' Seawatch Tower along Ocean Ave.

will go up for auction April 7.

Frank Zarba is the new President of the Rumney Marsh Toastmasters Club.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II, If Looks Could Kill, and Dances With Wolves are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

40 years ago  
March 18, 1981

The Community Development Office drew the names of senior citizens who will receive jobs this summer as members of the Senior Citizen Park Maintenance Corps.

Ward Six voters will choose Tuesday between John F. Hurley or Elio R. DelGreco for the Ward Six Council seat that was left vacant by the death of

Nino "Nicky" DiSalvo.

A large crowd is expected Sunday at the Jewish Community Center for the Purim Carnival.

Medi Mart drug store held its grand opening at 430 Broadway Sunday.

Earthbound is playing at the Kincade Theatre in Winthrop.

50 years ago  
March 18, 1971

The City Council approved the appointment of William G. Petrilli as Mayor George V. Colella to the Revere Housing Authority, though not before some City Councilors sharply criticized both Colella and Petrilli.

The School Committee has adopted a set of guide-

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ELKS AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2021



On Saturday, March 13, the annual St Patrick's Day Dinner at Revere Lodge Number 1171 Benevolent Protective Order of Elks was served within Covid Guidelines to a smaller than normal group. Dinner was cooked to perfection, and served by, Trustee Rich White. Awards were presented as following individuals from left: Anessa Schena Certificate of Appreciation, Maureen Lee Exalted Ruler, Horace Haynes Certificate of Appreciation, Michelle Trickett Certificate of Appreciation and Jim Hannon Elk of the Year. Missing from photo Gene Hannon Officer of the year and Frank Payzyra Certificate of Appreciation.

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tional Guard will depart this weekend for Washington, D.C., to provide ongoing public safety support to local, state, and federal agencies in the region.

As with earlier Massachusetts Guard assistance in the nation's capital, the deployment falls under Governor Charlie Baker's Jan. 25 activation order, which made up to 700 Massachusetts National Guard personnel available at any given time to augment the security and logistics capabilities of various agencies in the region. With the Governor's consent, this second phase of the federally funded mission is expected to last for 10 weeks. Previously, around 600 Soldiers and

Airmen were deployed to the support mission and returned home on Feb. 22.

The mission will not interfere with the Massachusetts National Guard's ability to respond to and assist in emergencies within the Commonwealth. The Guard will ensure all appropriate health protection measures are implemented leading up to, and throughout, the mission. This includes pre-departure screenings, COVID-19 testing, and mandatory mask wear. Additionally, Soldiers and Airmen will have individual rooms while deployed to the D.C. area to further reduce risks during this pandemic.

The Massachusetts National Guard trains reg-

ularly with military, law enforcement, and civilian agencies to provide a broad spectrum of services in support of security, logistics, disaster relief, and other missions. The Guard has a proven track record of success supporting civilian authorities and their frequent side-by-side training with state and local first responders makes them well-suited for this mission.

SCHEDULE  
A VACCINE  
APPOINTMENT

COVID-19 Vaccination Update: Adults 75 and over can receive the COVID-19 vaccine starting on February 1 using the statewide website.

Find more details on the vaccination eligibility, vaccination locations and information for booking appointments at [mass.gov/covidvaccine](https://mass.gov/covidvaccine)

MASSPORT NOISE  
COMPLAINT LINE

Residents who are being disturbed by airplane noise are encouraged to call the MassPort Noise Hotline 24 hours a day. The phone number is (617) 561-3333.

ARRIGO THANKS  
MCGEE FOR HIS  
SERVICE TO LYNN,  
STATE

In an announcement that stunned residents of Lynn and the North Shore Tuesday, Lynn Mayor

Thomas McGee said that he will not be a candidate for re-election this fall.

McGee was elected mayor of Lynn in 2017 following his distinguished service as a state senator and state representative. He defeated two-term, incumbent Mayor Judith Flanagan Kennedy in the 2017 election.

McGee is the son of the former Speaker of the House, the late Tom McGee.

Mayor Brian Arrigo said he was grateful to Mayor McGee for his 27 years of service in government.

"Over the last few years, Mayor McGee has been a trusted colleague, a mentor and most importantly a friend," said Ar-

ri-go. "I am saddened by the news that Mayor McGee will not seek re-election, but I am grateful for his 27 years of service to his city and our Commonwealth. Although Mayor McGee's voice will be greatly missed, I wish him the best in his next chapter."

Two candidates have announced their intention to run for mayor of Lynn in the fall election. Lynn City Council President Darren Cyr and Lynn School Committee member Jared Nicholson announced their candidacies Tuesday.

State Rep. Dan Cahill (D-Lynn) and Councilor-at-Large Brian LaPierre said they will not be candidates for mayor.

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anco's campaign, caused by allegations of misconduct, also may have helped Jaramillo gain some votes in Winthrop from voters who did not want to choose DelVento or Turco, although both probably gained some of his votes as well.

Jeff Turco will be heavily favored in the Special General Election on March 30th, where he will face Republican Paul Caruccio and independent candidate Richard Fucillo.

William Schmidt

EVERYTHING IN  
MODERATION

Dear Editor,

Having known Jeff Turco for most of my life, I am certain that he is the right fit as our next elected representation on Beacon Hill. He is a well-respected attorney, a faithful family man and a community pillar. In addition to all of that, Jeff is the Democratic nominee for the Suffolk

16th State Representative race.

In the week's Democratic Primary, the most votes were cast for Jeff - the residents of Winthrop and Revere. The people have spoken, or voted, and we want moderation. Jeff is an experienced, reasonable man and he is well-equipped to be the leader that we need during these most trying times.

For me, it's important to have a Representative that will ensure our community has a seat at the table. That will fight for working families, and the values they hold dear - like housing stability and a safe place to raise children. Someone that has no qualms advocating for further funding of our failed education system. A supporter of unions that vows to protect our neighborhoods from any irresponsible development or corporate greed that may come our way.

Jeff has truly given

his all to our community. Through his work at the Church, his dedication to our youth sports programming, and through his longtime commitment to public service. I know he will always consider the concerns of residents and make sure they are on the forefront of every decision he makes. I trust Jeff Turco to move our District forward and I urge you to join me in voting for him as our next State Representative on March 30.

Stephen Fiore

UNHEARD VOICE

Dear Editor,

The statement "without the right to LIFE, no other rights matter" has proven true recently. Compromise the right to life and other rights will be compromised in the name of health, safety, science, or progressive globalist views! Sometimes rightly. But often not. Views that don't comply with the pro-

gressive left are cancelled.

HR-1 known as "The People's Act of 2021" codifies this abuse. On a Federal level, it imposes rules regarding voter registration and the voting process, taking this responsibility away from the States. It allows anyone to register: citizen or not, old enough to vote or not, resident in that state or not. Mail-In-Voting and Ballot Harvesting without any verification or restriction would be allowed! MIT

Election Data & Science Lab found election fraud is most prevalent when voting by mail. This fact doesn't matter to those who wish to water down the vote of American Citizens! States taking steps to ensure accurate and honest elections are accused of "restricting voter access". It also permits the IRS to review policies/political views of non-profit organizations to determine Tax-Exempt status. Organizations politically

opposed by the Party in power can be targeted, muzzling the voice of some groups; similar to what happened in 2012.

This environment, prevents free exchange of ideas and learning. Our freedom is only one generation away from extinction. We cannot allow the integrity of our vote, our only voice, to be compromised! If we do, we join "unheard cries" with our own "unheard voice".

Lucia Hunter

**Remembering Elaine Byrne**  
*Elaine Byrne a Steward at the Susan B. Anthony Park, Little Free Library*  
*Elaine was a caring and thoughtful individual with a heart of gold.*  
*She contributed her time to promote reading and access to books in our community*  
*We will miss you!*

### ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

### TURCO CAMPAIGNS IN REVERE

## Majority of Revere City Council endorses Turco

Special to the Journal

On Thursday, the majority of the Revere City Council endorsed Jeffrey Turco for State Representative, 19th Suffolk District. The seat was vacated by former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and following a Special Election victory, Turco is the Democratic Nominee for the March 30th General Election.

Endorsing Revere City Councilors include:

- Jessica Giannino, State Representative 16th Suffolk & Revere At-Large City Councilor
- George J. Rotondo, At-Large
- Gerry Visconti, At-Large
- Joanne McKenna, Ward 1
- Ira Novoselsky, Ward 2
- Arthur F. Guinasso, Ward 3
- Patrick M. Keefe Jr., Ward 4
- John Powers, Ward 5
- Richard Serino, Ward 6

"I was very happy to see that Jeff led the effort in Winthrop to endorse Teamster's Local 25's campaign calling on Amazon to end their sub-standard employee policies and compensation," said Jessica Giannino, State Representative & Revere At-Large City Councilor. "The districts we will hopefully be sharing in a few weeks are comprised of generations of proud and hardworking people. Having a colleague who understands and leads on issues of consequence to us all is important, and Jeff Turco is the clear choice to do just that."

"Jeff Turco is a compassionate professional," said George Rotondo, Revere At-Large City Councilor. "Jeff's campaign demonstrated two things...he cares about people and is not afraid of working hard."

"I support Jeff Turco for State Representative," said Gerry Visconti, Revere At-Large City Councilor.

color. "Family first' is something Jeff and I feel so strong about. Jeff understands the importance of a strong family foundation. I believe he is the best-equipped candidate to hit the ground running from day one on behalf of the residents of Revere and Winthrop."

"I had the pleasure of having Jeffrey as my student during his elementary years at the McKinley School in Revere," Joanne McKenna, Revere Ward 1 City Councilor. "Working alongside Jeffrey has brought me to get to know him as a genuine young man. From this, I am endorsing Jeffrey Turco as the Democratic winner of the 19th Suffolk District."

"I have known Jeff Turco for many years. He was brought up in Revere and has been helping Revere for many years including as the President of the Revere Beach Partnership," said Ira Novoselsky, Revere Ward 2 City Councilor. "He has worked in the State House and knows the system. Simply put, he is a good guy looking to help make the District better. I am endorsing Jeff Turco's candidacy for State Representative in the 19th Suffolk District because his years of experience speak to his ability to do this job, and to do it effectively. Please join me in voting for Jeff Turco on March 30th."

"Besides being a very good guy, Jeff Turco happens to be a qualified young man aspiring to be a representative of the people," said Arthur Guinasso, Revere Ward 3 City Councilor. "He has shown his commitment to our community through his many civic endeavors. The people of Revere would be well deserving to have him represent us in the State House along with our colleague Jessica Giannino. What a great pair the two of them will make for the City of Revere."

"Jeff had the courage to share his personal struggles of families dealing with substance abuse issues," said Patrick Keefe, Revere Council President & Ward 4 City Councilor. "It's going to take a leader with courage to ignore the continued stigma and face head on what might be the greatest epidemic that has plagued this region for well over 20 years. If Jeff can take this lead he has my full support."

"I'm supporting Jeff Turco for State Representative," said John Powers, Revere Ward 5 City Councilor. "He is the Democratic nominee and I know that because of his 30 years calling Revere home and passion for the City of Revere, he will do an excellent job!"

"As a fellow alumnus of Malden Catholic High School and a member of the Revere City Council, I am proud to endorse Jeffrey Rosario Turco for State Representative for the 19th Suffolk District," said Ricky Serino, Revere Ward 6 City Councilor. "Having known Jeff for over ten years, I can attest that he is a man of character with a strong work ethic, and he has good morals that are rooted in his ethical convictions. As a devoutly faithful man with a heart of gold, Jeff understands that people in elected office are called to serve the needs of their community, and I have no doubt that he will be a Representative that will be responsive to his constituency and will always be there to help all people in his district."

"Receiving the support of my colleagues from Revere, a community I called home for over 30 years, is overwhelmingly encouraging," said Turco. "They know my track record, and that I will always do right by my constituents. I'm looking forward to working alongside them and taking an honest approach to tackling the many issues our District is facing today."



Shown above, candidate Jeffrey Rosario Turco and his supporters are on Broadway and Cushman Ave on Sunday gathering potential votes for the upcoming election. Shown to the left, holding signs with Candidate Jeff Turco is Louis Cialone from Local 103 IBEW of Boston.

## UNITE HERE New England Joint Board endorses Jeffrey Turco for State Representative

Special to the Journal

On Wednesday, the UNITE HERE New England Joint Board (NEJB) endorsed Jeffrey Turco for State Representative, 19th Suffolk District. The seat was vacated by former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and following a Special Election victory, Turco is the Democratic Nominee for the March 30th General Election.

"The New England Joint Board endorses Jeff Turco for State Representative of the 19th Suffolk District," said Warren Pepicelli, NEJB Manager/International Executive Vice President. "Jeff Turco's working-class roots in both Winthrop and Revere are why he was chosen to be the Democratic nominee for the district. His experience as Chief of Staff for former Senator Guy Glodis demonstrates his willingness to solve everyday problems of working people. Once he is elected, we hope to work with Jeff Turco in promoting a stronger pro-Union future for the Com-

monwealth."

The UNITE HERE New England Joint Board is a union representing workers in the textile, garment, manufacturing, warehousing, laundry, human service, and hospitality industries in New England and New York. NEJB has thousands of members who are as diverse as the industries

they work in, with women making up a large portion of their membership.

"Having the support of the UNITE HERE NEJB membership is a true honor," said Turco. "I will be a strong voice on Beacon Hill and vow to advocate for working families across the Commonwealth from the moment I'm elected."

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ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Winthrop's Paul Caruccio running for 19<sup>th</sup> Suffolk District Rep. on the Republican ticket

Paul Caruccio has announced his candidacy for the special election for the 19th Suffolk County Seat in the Massachusetts House of Representatives as a Republican candidate. The following are his answers to the questions posed by our reporter.

**1. What is my background? Childhood, education, family life?**

I was born and raised in Winthrop. I attended Winthrop Public Schools from grade one through graduation from Winthrop High School. I even attended the now demolished Winthrop Center School which was located behind the E.B. Newton School. The Center School with its oiled wooden floors would billow ash from an old coal fired furnace and blanket the school yard with thick black flakes.

I was graduated from the University of New Hampshire at Durham with a B.S. in Business and a concentration in Economics. My degree was valuable in my career as a business owner. However, it has been even more valuable in assessing the impact political legislation has on our communities, state and families. Unfortunately, most politicians do not understand sound business practices or how legislation affects our economy, and it shows in many political decisions.

Family: I have three daughters, and they are my greatest joy and success in life. All three of my daughters also attended the Winthrop Public Schools from grade 1 through graduation from Winthrop High School. One of my daughters received special education attention within the system for a time as well. As a result I understand the power of our schools as well as being able to identify areas which need attention.

All three of my daughters have grown into highly successful professionals in the healthcare industry. They are each an example of what can be achieved by our public schools.

Dad: Any discussion of my family must include a reference to my Dad. My father was Michael Caruccio. Everyone knew him, people still talk about him and he was a larger than life character. He was a postal employee who started selling socks from his car trunk in his spare time. Eventually he opened a store front in the District. He kept growing the business, finally devel-

oping Michael's Mall in Winthrop. There he operated our family's clothing business for over 50 years.

My Experience: I started working in the family business as a child and I continued there after college graduation. However, shortly thereafter I opened, owned and operated Michael's Hallmark Gold Crown Shop. Michael's Hallmark was highly acclaimed for its products, attractiveness, customer service and community focus. I operated my business in our District for 34 years.

I also had a second Hallmark Gold Crown store at the Meadow Glenn Mall in Medford. Currently I occupy my time in private property management, but I intend to devote 100% of my time and efforts to being your State Representative.

**2. What made you decide to run for Speaker DeLeo's seat?**

I am running for State Representative because I have persistent drive to promote community and state goals.

I understand that this is the people's seat and that's what is important. I really don't believe any individual should remain in a single office long enough for it to be associated with that person's name. For this reason I am a supporter of Term Limits for all. This way we insure vigorous representation, Special Interest does not influence legislation and public office is not focused on re-election and retaining a lifetime career.

I am driven to accomplish an agenda which includes:

- Keeping more money in the people's pockets
- Creating good paying jobs that provide an improved standard of living for our residents.
- Fight gas taxes and other newly proposed taxes
- Protect basic civil liberties
- Provide safe communities by not defunding police
- Ensure all youth, both privileged and the vulnerable, can achieve and succeed the impact of the Covid shutdown
- To safely re-open and unleash our business base
- Add balance to our one-party State and foster debate, compromise and improved transparency on Beacon Hill

**1. Why do you think you would make you the**

**best successor for Speaker DeLeo's seat?**

Legislators are supposed to be running the business of Massachusetts. Yet few understand economics or business. I understand economics and the impact legislation will have on our economy, family, job base and income. I will keep more money in residents' pockets through no new gas taxes, no "Fair Tax," no soft drink tax, no wealth tax, no dividends or interest tax, reduced tax burdens and intelligent economic policy.

A perfect example is that Massachusetts is losing our high earning residents. It is costing us over \$1 BILLION a year in tax revenue. I will reverse this trend and keep our tax revenues strong.

I also have no Special Interest obligations to interfere with sound legislation.

**3. What are your thoughts on Speaker DeLeo's role over the past 30 years?**

I am forward looking. My vision is not clouded by the predecessor of this seat. Massachusetts has the fourth largest job losses in the Nation from the Covid shutdown. This district requires immediate focus to address issues from our unemployed citizens to support for our decimated business sector to returning our economy to health.

We must focus on creating new good paying employment opportunities for our residents, attracting new business and retaining our longtime residents. A person with my lifetime of business experience, true economics knowledge and understanding the impact of taxing policies will resolve many of our current problems.

**1. What are some of the major issues presently affecting Revere and Winthrop that you think need top priority for Speaker DeLeo's successor?**

Revere: Transportation, transportation transportation and congestion are major issues in many areas of Revere with long ignored and obsolete roadways. Traffic engineering studies are badly needed and include Revere Beach Blvd, North Shore Road and all of the traffic circles.

Development: Tight Public-Private partnerships must be forged to ensure developers address public accommodations and mitigate development

with public goals.

Winthrop: Winthrop Beach beautification project. Winthrop Beach is the community's greatest asset. Yet it will not attract visitors and tourists similar to many beaches up and down our coast. But why not? Winthrop Beach should achieve its potential as a gem on the Atlantic where people flock to its shore and shop our local businesses.

Route 145 at Pleasant and Main at our community's entrance. This is a major safety and functionality issue which must be addressed with a professional traffic management study.

Hot topics requiring attention is water rates. Residents have long demanded an audit of this account which I whole heartedly support.

Another hot topic is a call for charging fees to collect trash. Alas, one year ago I publicly recommended a preventative measure to immediately review all budgets to preserve funds during this pandemic. This would have reduced the financial pressure to propose this added cost to pandemic plagued taxpayers. I do not support the new fee proposal.

**4. What legislation did Speaker DeLeo enact that you would like to continue to lobby for?**

This election is about the people choosing new representation. I intend to provide effective new legislation that helps our communities. This is what I have been advocating for:

- Tax relief to save and support our critical small business base by eliminating small business' annual Personal Property Taxes, freezing unemployment tax rates and exempt businesses from pandemic relief tax liabilities.
- Commission a study to recommend and visualize improvements and enhancements to our 180 day public school template. Let's consider new opportunities for hands-on learning, application of concepts learned in traditional lecture settings and utilizing educational learning trips.
- Voter Integrity. Nothing can be more important to a Democracy than free and fair elections. A Cal. Tech. Study found 39% of voters questioned the integrity of our electoral process. Whether real or perceived this must be addressed. I pledge to work to return voter con-



Paul Carruccio, candidate for 19<sup>th</sup> Suffolk District State Representative seat.

fidence and election accuracy in our electoral system. This important goal will benefit all Americans.

**5. What legislation did Speaker DeLeo enact that you might like to see changed?**

• Again, forward looking only. Illegal behavior by anyone must be punished. However, law enforcement keeps our communities and families safe. I believe the police reform bill is misguided, and it would most hurt our vulnerable residents, our minority residents and our economically disadvantaged.

• Our military and our veterans deserve preference in public housing and public services. Currently, we will serve our military population after illegal immigrants. This has the impact of blocking our veterans from the housing they have earned with their service to all of us.

• Addiction strikes even the best families, and no one is untouched by this scourge. It also drains money, productivity and lives from our community, neighbors and families. I believe our unfortunate addicted community members must be able to immediately access recovery services.

• Housing Crisis. Looking forward, I fear a crisis in the housing mar-

ket coming out of this pandemic. We must act now to study ways to avert this potential crises onemortgage and rent forbearance measures are removed.

**6. What other information would you like to include in the article?**

We are blessed to live in the most beautiful ocean front District anywhere. We must be driven to preserve it and allow our residents to continue to be able to afford to stay in our community. To keep it safe, strong and secure we must reverse the trend of:

- \$ BILLIONS in lost tax revenues every year by residents fleeing the state.
- 4th highest Covid job loss in the Nation
- 6th highest tax burdened state in the Nation
- 1st highest per capita debt in the Nation.

Sound management of our state is like smart management of any enterprise. Unfortunately, most politicians do not understand the basic principles of business and economics. So we continuously overspend, over tax and underperform. We must reverse this trend with leadership that understands what it takes to revive our state and provide an ever improving standard of living for our residents. Together we can:

- Create Jobs and revitalization business
- Provide Safe communities
- Protect civil rights
- No defunding police
- Fight gas taxes
- Advocate for Term limits
- Fight "Fair Tax," new taxes, wealth tax and over spending

**7. Do you have a website or Twitter handle related to your campaign?**

-caruccio2021@gmail.com  
-On Facebook: Paul Caruccio Campaign  
-https://www.facebook.com/paul.caruccio.3

Teamsters Local 25 endorses Turco for State Rep.

Special to the Journal

On Friday, Teamster Local 25 endorsed Jeffrey Turco for State Representative, 19th Suffolk District. The seat was vacated by former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and following a Special Election victory, Turco is the Democratic Nominee for the March 30th General Election.

"Teamsters Local 25 Officers, Agents and the entire membership is pleased to endorse Jeff Turco's campaign for State Representative for the 19th Suffolk District representing the City of Revere and Town of Win-

throp," said Sean O'Brien, Teamsters Local 25 President. "During Jeff's career in public service, he has understood the importance of worker rights, fair wages and the benefits of a union membership. Teamsters Local 25 is proud to endorse Jeff Turco's campaign and looks forward to working together once he is elected on March 30th."

Teamsters Local 25 represents nearly 12,000 members in the Greater Boston area.

The Local's contracts are among the strongest in the nation, covering an unusually broad variety of industries, affording a proud roll call of rights

and protections.

"I'm completely humbled to have the support of Teamsters Local 25 as I campaign for State Representative," said Turco. "My goals have, and will always align with those of Local 25. Together, we will advocate to make our communities better for the working class to live, work and raise a family, especially in Revere and Winthrop."

As a seasoned attorney with local roots, Jeffrey Turco is the ideal blend of experience and professionalism, with the know-how to be a strong leader for his community in these most uncertain times. In

2005, Jeffrey was the Special Sheriff and Superintendent of the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and starting in 2006 was appointed a Special Assistant Attorney General representing the Agency. Since 2011, Jeffrey has owned and operated the Law Office of Jeffrey Rosario Turco in Chelsea. Working for his community has always been in the forefront for Turco, for two years he served as Town Council President in Winthrop and a School Committee member. Jeffrey resides in Winthrop with his wife, the former Melissa Carbone, and their six children.

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# OBITUARIES

## Gina (Tata) Viarella

Her love for her children, family, friends and music will live forever



Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Monday, March 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rte. 107) Revere for Gina M. (Tata) Viarella who passed unexpectedly on Monday, March 15 at Boston's Mass General Hospital. Her funeral will be held on Tuesday, March 23 from the Funeral Home at 10 a.m. followed by the Funeral Mass in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere at 11 a.m. and immediately followed by interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Masks must be worn at all times in the funeral home, in the church and at the cemetery. Temperatures will be taken prior to entering the funeral home and church. A limit of 25 people in the funeral home at one time will be enforced. Guests are asked to visit briefly and to exit the funeral home to allow others to enter. A cafeteria worker at the Lincoln School, Gina was born, raised and educated in Revere and graduated from Revere High School, Class of 1978. She began her working career at Boston's Liberty Mutual Office and then returned to Revere to work with Rizzo Insurance Agency. She worked with Dan Rizzo both professionally and politically. She was the beloved

wife of 32 years to Christopher J. Viarella and the cherished mother of Christopher J. Viarella, Jr. and his wife, Tammy Viarella of Revere, Jason P. Viarella and his girlfriend, Isabella Correa of Saugus, Gina M. Viarella and Justin C. Viarella, both of Revere; the dear sister to John R. Tata and his companion, Nancy of Chelsea, Debra J. Tata, Mark A. Tata and his wife, Kelly and Lisa M. Tata-Amato, all of Revere and Maria V. Stuart and her husband, Michael of Danvers and the late Peter W. Tata and the late Pat W. Tata; the devoted daughter of the late Revere Firefighter Patsy W. "Pat" and Phyllis A. (Sciliano) Tata. She is also lovingly survived by her father and mother-in-law, Joseph and Louise Viarella and brother-in-law, Joseph G. Viarella, all of Revere and by many loving nieces, nephews and lifelong friends. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the American Stroke Association, PO Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005. To send online condolences or for more information, please visit [www.vertuccioand-smith.com](http://www.vertuccioand-smith.com). Funeral Arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals.

## Gloria Palleschi

Beloved mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and friend



It is with great sadness that the family of Gloria (Beatrice) Palleschi announces her passing on Wednesday, March 10 at her Revere home at the age of 92.

Gloria was a beloved mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and friend.

Gloria adored her family and was delighted to be surrounded by loved ones every Sunday with a pot of pasta and meatballs bubbling on the stove. She was the secret keeper of her family; no matter what time of day you showed up at her backdoor, she would greet you with a sauce stained apron and a warm smile. She was kind to everyone that crossed her path and became a surrogate mother, aunt and grandmother to so many. As we celebrate the legacy of this incredible woman, we will strive to be as kind, and welcoming as she was every day.

Born on July 4, 1928 to the late Carmine and Antonetta Vigliotta, she was the beloved wife of the late Charles Palleschi Sr., devoted mother of Charles Palleschi Jr. and his wife Jeanne, cherished grandmother of Charles Palleschi III and his

wife, Julie, Michael Palleschi and his wife, Michele and Alicia Palleschi and her wife, Coralie; adored great grandmother of Charles Palleschi IV, Emily, Chase and Brody; dear sister of the late Jeanetta Amorosa, Camille Marino, Mary Quarantello, Lena Procopio, Anthony, Alfonso and Edward Beatrice.

Funeral arrangements were by the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA 02452 or at [alz.org](http://alz.org). To live stream Gloria's funeral please go to <https://my.gather.app/remember/gloria-palleschi> For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com).

## James F. Crosby

Retired Revere Auxiliary Police Deputy Chief



A Funeral Mass was celebrated in the Immaculate Conception Church, on March 15 for Retired Revere Auxiliary Police Deputy Chief, James F. Crosby, 69, in New Bedford, formerly of Revere and St. Cloud, FL, who passed away on March 9 in New Bedford following a long illness.

Jim was a proud and active member of both the Revere Reveries and The 27th Lancers until 1959. Along with a 32-year career with the Revere Auxiliary Police, he maintained a position with Raytheon Corp. in their Quality Control Dept. as a Quality Control Specialist for 38 years retiring in 2008.

The beloved husband of 46 years to his untiring, faithful, soulmate and wife Patricia J. (Saraceno) Crosby, he was the cherished and most proud Dad to Heather N. Andrade and her husband, Steven, New Bedford Patrolman Brian M. Crosby and his wife, Ashley, all of New Bedford and James M. Crosby

and his wife, Jessica of Deltona, FL; adoring grandfather to Bella J. and Dante J. Ventura, Dominic S. and Gianna L. Andrade, London M. and Sophia P. Crosby; dear brother of Joseph W. Crosby and his wife, Genevieve M. "Jeannie" of So. Attleboro, formerly of Revere, Robert Crosby and his wife, Karen of Concord, NH and the late Kathleen M. Landry-Ottomaniello and the late Kevin J. Crosby.

Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Remembrances may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 60 Walnut St., Wellesley, MA 02481.

Funeral Arrangements were entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals. To send online condolences, please visit [www.vertuccioand-smith.com](http://www.vertuccioand-smith.com).

## Joseph Curto

Auto Mechanic



Joseph Curto of Chelsea passed away at the Chestnut Woods Nursing Home in Saugus on March 8. He was 63 years old.

Born in Boston he was the beloved son of the late Loretta (Clerico) and Vincent Curto. A resident of Winthrop and Revere, the highlight of his life was working as an automobile mechanic. He was very proud of how he excelled at his chosen trade.

He was the loving father of Brianna Rich of Derry, New Hampshire and Joseph C. Curto of Revere, dear brother of Maureen L. Curto, Vincent Curto and Wayne Curto, cherished grandfather of Jordan, Leila and Ella and is also survived by his son's

dog, Viko.

Services and commitments were private.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Caggiano-O'Maley-Frazier Funeral Home, Winthrop.

To sign the online guestbook, go to [www.caggianofuneralhome.com](http://www.caggianofuneralhome.com).

## Joseph Oppito

Retired General Electric engineer



Joseph E. Oppito of Revere passed away on March 9 at the age of 78.

worked for many years as an engineer for General Electric. He was a proud member of the National Guard

The beloved husband of the late Kathleen (McCarthy) Oppito, he was the cherished son of the late Ernest and Josephine (Cancellieri) pito and the dear brother of the late Stephen Guerra. He is survived by Jessica Leamon Autilio of Revere.

A visitation was held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons - Bruno Funeral Home on Monday, March



15 and a Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Anthony's Church, Revere on Tuesday, March 16 followed by interment in St. Michael's Cemetery, Roslindale. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations in Joe's memory to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284.

## Paul Joseph Lozier

Of Revere

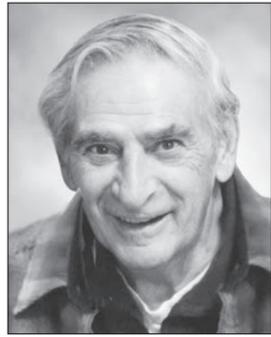


Paul Joseph Lozier, 91 of Revere, formerly of Boston,

passed away on Saturday, March 13.

Paul proudly served his country in the United States Army.

The cherished son of the late Omer and Ella (Benette) Lozier, he was the beloved husband of Sandi (Curzi) Lozier, loving father of Paula Maloney and her husband, John, Paul Lozier Jr., Stephen Lozier and Amy Lindquist and step-father of Tiffany Benedetto and her husband, Tom, Reagan Vetre and his wife, Jillian, and Linda Tobin and her husband, Denis; caring brother of Jeanette Ziegler and her husband, Eddie,



Lorraine Pierce, Richard Lozier and his wife, Pat and the late Gerald, Leo and Donald Lozier. He is also survived by many loving grandchildren and great-grandchildren and his loving cats.

All services are private. Donations may be made in Paul's memory to any Animal Shelter of your choice. To view guestbook, please visit [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com)

### In Memory of



**Jay Bassant**  
March 20, 2006 -  
March 2021

15th Year Remembrance

We keep our memories  
Locked up like treasure  
And take them out  
When we want to remember  
Memories of fun times  
And your smiling face  
Memories of happy times  
That can't be erased  
You'll always be with us  
Wherever we go  
We miss and love you  
More than you know  
Love you always,  
Gina, Cassandra, Nick

### Seventh Anniversary



**Pamela "Penny" Testa Ciampi**  
3/17/2014

Loved and Missed by all,  
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Dominic  
David & Nychola,  
Veronica & Bob

### First Anniversary Remembrance



**Joanne M. Othmer**

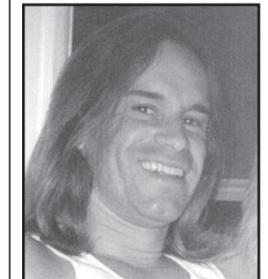
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Sometimes in life there are losses. Losses that can never really be replaced. Losing you has been one of the hardest things I've ever had to live with. I wasn't ready to say goodbye. I wasn't ready to let you leave. I would give anything for just one more day, just one more second. But I've learned to trust in unconditional love. Because the one profound thing about death is that love never dies. Some bonds cannot be broken. Because even though you're not physically here, your heart is - it lives on within me. I carry your heart inside mine. Someday we will meet again - and we will no longer be separated by time or space. But until that day, I'll find comfort in knowing that you are still with me. I loved you then. I love you now. Always did. Always will. Forever in my mind. Forever in my heart. I will carry you.

Love,  
Charlene (and your children & grandchildren)

### In Loving Memory of VINNY DOHENY

A 54th Birthday Remembrance  
3/17/67 - 3/17/21



Vinny,  
We never need a special day, to bring you to mind for days without a thought of you are very hard to find. All our lives we will miss you, as the years come and go but in our hearts you will live forever, because we love you so! We can not send a birthday card, your hands we cannot touch but, God will take our prayers to the one we love so much.

Remembered today and everyday by Mom, family & friends.  
We love you.  
Happy Birthday.



**Gerald J. Lepore**  
2015 - March 13 - 2021  
6th Year Anniversary



You rest in the arms of angels  
In a place of peace and love  
Watching over us always  
From heaven up above  
You guide us through our worries  
And help us through each day  
Always by our side  
You never went away  
The bond cannot be broken  
Made from love so pure  
Death does not break the bond  
It lives on forever more  
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# OBITUARIES

## Rose Pepe

Longtime receptionist at Agnes Strecker Dance Studio



Rose (Prochilo) Pepe, 95, of Revere, passed away on Monday, March 8.

Rose was born in Calabria, Italy to Domenic and Annunziata (Macri) immigrated to the United States at the age of five and settled in Revere.

Rose was the longtime receptionist at her niece Agnes Strecker's Dance Studio.

She was the beloved wife of 63 years to the late Peter Anthony Pepe, loving mother of Peter Pepe Jr. and his wife, Martha of Franklin, Joseph G. Pepe and his fiancée, Christine Dodd of Hudson and Michael P. Pepe and his wife, Anne of Revere; adored grandmother of Erin Plante of Nevada, Kristin Lovely of Franklin, Lauren Frank of Natick, Michael J. Pepe of Roslindale, Anthony Pepe of Westborough, Joseph P. Pepe, Michael P. Pepe Jr. and Marissa Pepe, all of Revere, and the late infant Nicholas

Pepe and great-grandmother of Dusten, Owen, Brody, Braden, Teagan, Elliana and Payton. She is also survived by her former daughter-in-law, Mary Ann Pepe and many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Joseph, Michael, Anthony and John Prochilo.

Due to Covid-19, Funeral Services were held privately last week. Donations may be made in Rose's name to Mystic Valley Elder Services 300 Commercial Street #19 Malden, MA 02148 or by visiting [www.MVES.org](http://www.MVES.org).

For guestbook: [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

## Kim Buttiri

Will be truly missed by all who knew her



Kim M. (Mottola) Buttiri of Groveland passed away unexpectedly on March 12 at the age of 52.

Kim had such a big heart and would do anything for her family and friends. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

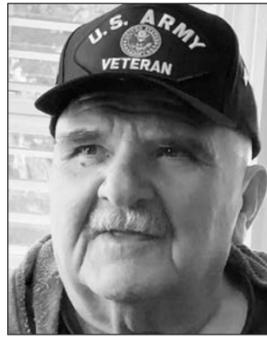
Born in Brighton on June 8, 1968 to the late Ronald Francis Mottola Sr. and Anna May (Jiamattei), she was the beloved wife of Joseph "Joe" Buttiri, devoted mother of Joseph and Joshua Buttiri, adored sister of Ronald Mottola Jr. and his wife, Doreen of Groveland and Gregg Mottola and his wife, Janha of Illinois and is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, niece, and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Thursday March 18, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home 128 Revere St., Revere. Due to capacity limits, we ask

that you keep your visit brief to allow others to pay their respects to the family. Masks and social distancing are required when entering the funeral home. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A Funeral service on Friday at the Buonfiglio Funeral Home at 10 a.m. will be followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church at 11 a.m. (names and temperatures will be taken upon entrance). Interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com).

## Joseph Limoli, Jr.

Of New Hampshire, formerly of Everett



Joseph J. "Joe" Limoli Jr., most recently of Manchester, NH, from Tewksbury, formerly of Everett, passed away peacefully in his home, after a tough battle with cancer, surrounded by his family on March 7 at the age of 80.

Joe was a man who loved to laugh and made everyone who was in the room with him laugh. Most in life, he cherished any time he was able to spend with family. Nothing was more important to him.

He was the most loving father to his son, Joseph III and his wife, Kim, his daughter, Lianne, his son, Michael and his wife, Jacky, and his son, Andrew. Joe was son to the late Joseph Sr. and Dolly Limoli (Rappa). He was the beloved brother of Lee White, Judi Lindberg and her husband, Dana, and his late brother, Edward (Eddie) Limoli. He will be immensely missed by his six grandchildren: Michael Jr, Marisa, Carly, Alexandria, Matthew and Taylor and will also be

missed by his four nieces: Christine, Doreen, Kim and Heather; two nephews, Edward Jr. and Nathan and four great-grandchildren: Olivia, Michael III, Madison and Aiden along with many cousins and friends.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours at Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett on Friday, March 19 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Interment will be private. The family will have a Celebration of Life during the summer, details will be announced at a later time. Arrangements by Rocco, Carr & Henderson Funeral Home: [www.roccofuneralhomes.com](http://www.roccofuneralhomes.com).

## Dianne Bonasoro

Heaven has just gained another angel



Dianne M. (George) Bonasoro, 67, of Revere, formerly of Brighton, passed away on Wednesday, March 10 with her devoted family by her side following a long battle with cancer which she fought with immense courage, strength and bravery.

Dianne was the most beautiful thoughtful and caring woman that many had the privilege to know. Her smile would brighten up the room and her laugh lift your day. She will be deeply missed by all, but above all, her family who loved her more than words could say. Heaven has just gained another angel.

The loving mother of Deana McKinnon and her husband, Francis of Winchendon and Christopher Bonasoro and his wife, Amanda of Revere, she was the adored grandmother of Tayla and Bailee McKinnon, caring sister of Johnny George

and his wife, Jessica and Louis George. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Family and friends honored Dianne's life by gathering in Vazza's "Beechwood" Funeral Home, 262 Beach Street, Revere on Tuesday, March 16 and committal will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dianne's name to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude PL. Memphis, TN. 38105-9959.

For additional information, visit: [www.vazzafunerals.com](http://www.vazzafunerals.com).

## Anthony Toomey

He had a great sense of humor and the ability to make people laugh



Anthony J. Toomey, 19, of Revere, formerly of East Boston, died suddenly on March 12.

Anthony was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 2020. He always wanted a career in law enforcement and began that journey working as a security guard for Boston Children's Hospital and recently became a member of the Laborers union Local 22. Anthony had great sense of humor and the ability to make people laugh.

The beloved son of Sherri L. Marano of Chelsea, and James M. Toomey and his fiancée, Natalie Wiedmann of Lynn, he was the dear brother of James M. Toomey Jr. of East Boston, cherished grandson of Michael D. Marano of East Boston, Judy (Serino) Marano of Saugus, Debbie Patrazza of Swampscott and the

late James Toomey and is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A Memorial Mass celebrating Anthony's life will be held on Saturday, March 20 in Sacred Heart Parish, 303 Paris St., East Boston at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Mask and social distancing are mandatory upon entering Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Boston Children's Hospital Trust by visiting [childrenshospital.org](http://childrenshospital.org).

## Emergency Homelessness

### Assistance Act signed into law

Staff Report

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley issued the following statement on the enactment of her Emergency Homelessness Assistance Act, which was signed into law today by President Biden as part of the American Rescue Plan.

The legislation authorizes \$5 billion for the Emergency Solutions Grants program to enable state and local governments to finance housing and health-related services for the hundreds of thousands of people currently experiencing homelessness, including the acquisition of hotels and motels to serve as transitional and permanent supportive housing.

"Housing is a critical determinant of public health, and that has never been more true than during this ongoing public health and economic crisis," Rep. Pressley said. "That's why I'm encouraged that my Emergency Homelessness Assistance

Act, which I've been fighting for since the onset of this pandemic, was signed into law by President Biden. This critical provision will invest nearly \$5 billion to support the hundreds of thousands of vulnerable families and individuals nationwide who are currently experiencing homelessness. I am grateful to Chairwoman Waters and Representatives Tlaib, Ocasio-Cortez and Neguse for their partnership in getting this across the finish line."

Experts estimate that \$5 billion in additional resources is critical to help communities across the country provide safe and secure shelter for those experiencing homelessness. This provision is responsive to the needs of community and advocates and will provide cities and states the flexibility needed to make long term investments to combat the housing crisis including the conversion of hotels and motels into non-congregate shelters.

## Elvira Gentile

Devoted wife, mother and grandmother



Elvira O. Gentile, a longtime resident of Woburn passed away peacefully, Monday, February 22 at the Woburn Nursing Center. She was 92 years old. The beloved wife of the late Francis E. Gentile, she was born in Chelsea, the daughter of the late Pelino and Esther (Rappucci) Clementi.

Elvira was raised and educated in Revere and was a proud graduate of Revere High School. A devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, Elvira loved to cook for and entertain family and friends. She was happiest when she was surrounded by family and especially her grandchildren who were the light of her life.

Elvira was also a woman who took great comfort in her strong Catholic faith. Over the years she enjoyed traveling, cruises, trips to Atlantic City and every summer spending quality family time vacationing on Cape Cod. She will be greatly missed.

Elvira is survived by her children: Gina Pasakarnis and her husband, Tom of Woburn, Susan D'Amore and her husband, David of Nashua, NH and Frank Gentile and his wife, Mary of North Andover. She was the loving grandmother of Thomas Pasakarnis and his wife, Danielle, Albert Pasakarnis, Courtney Gentile, Rachael

Gentile, Frankie Gentile Nicole D'Amore and her husband, Luis Betancur, and Jessica D'Amore and the great grandmother of Emilio. She was the sister of Lorraine Spears and her husband, Jim of North Reading, the late Josephine Ficociello and her late husband, Cesar and is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends were respectfully invited to attend a Funeral Mass that was celebrated, Monday, March 1 in St. Barbara Church, 138 Cambridge Rd. Woburn. Family and friends were also welcomed to visit with the family at the McLaughlin - Dello Russo Family Funeral Home, 60 Pleasant, Woburn, prior to the Mass. Services concluded with burial at Calvary Cemetery, Winchester.

It has been requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Elvira's memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452.

## Metro Tech students qualify for District III SkillsUSA Conference

Staff report

Superintendent David DiBarri is pleased to share that several Northeast Metro Tech Students placed at the District III SkillsUSA Conference and qualified to compete in the statewide conference.

"We are so proud of the phenomenal skill and knowledge our students demonstrated at the District III conference in February. These students are deeply committed to their education and their futures, and it is so exciting to see many of them moving on to compete in the state conference later this school year," Superintendent DiBarri said. "I would also like to recognize our Skills Advisors, Chris Donahue and Randy Allender, for all their hard work in supporting our students this year."

The District III SkillsUSA Conference was held on Wednesday, Feb. 24, and Northeast Metro Tech students participating in the competition did so in-person at Northeast Metro Tech. This year, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, participants were able to participate in-person, at their schools, or virtually, if required by COVID-19 related policies of their sending school.

SkillsUSA is hosting six regional contests for districts across the state, and students who qualify in their district will move on to compete in the SkillsUSA State Leadership & Skills Conference Championships. District compe-

titions began in February and continue this March.

Students who competed in the district competition took a written SkillsUSA employment skills test as well as a written test regarding their trade.

Northeast Metro Tech students who placed in the competition include:

- Poggio Katherine, grade 12, of Revere placed first in the Dental Assisting competition and qualified for the statewide SkillsUSA competition.
- Heysel Benavides, grade 12, of Revere placed second in the Medical Assistant competition and qualified for the statewide SkillsUSA competition.

To view the full list of competition results from the District III SkillsUSA Competition, click here.

The State Leadership & Skills Conference will be held on Thursday, April 29 through Saturday, May 1. Students that qualify in the state championship will be eligible to compete in the National Leadership & Skills Conference in June.

SkillsUSA Massachusetts is the state chapter of the national SkillsUSA organization, both of which support students in middle school and beyond who are studying to work in the trade, technical and skilled service fields. To learn more about SkillsUSA Massachusetts, please visit their website at [www.skillsusa.org/](http://www.skillsusa.org/). More information about the national SkillUSA program can be found online at <https://www.skillsusa.org/>.

To place a memoriam in the Revere Journal, please call 781-485-0588

## New AARP analysis shows state COVID-19 cases and deaths declining in nursing homes

Staff report

The latest release of AARP's Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard shows that both cases and deaths in nursing homes fell in the four weeks ending Feb. 14.

Although these rates are improving, new infections and deaths in nursing homes are higher than they were in the summer of 2020. Deaths of nursing home residents are slightly lower than what they were in the previous time period, dropping from a rate of 1.19 percent to .79 percent per 100 residents. New infections among residents and staff also declined to less than half of previous levels. Resident cases fell from 6.3 to 2.4 per 100 residents, and new staff cases declined from 6.2 to 2.4 per 100 residents.

The dashboard also reveals that staffing and shortages of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) remain a problem. In Massachusetts, while the number of facilities reporting a shortage of PPE has declined, .011 percent did not have a one-week supply in the last month.

"One year into the coronavirus pandemic, we continue to see disgracefully high numbers of cases and deaths in Massachusetts nursing homes and long-term care facilities," said Mike Festa, AARP Massachusetts State Director. "Decreasing numbers and vaccine rollout give hope, but we should not lose sight of the chronic, ongoing problems in our long-term care system that were exposed by COVID."

AARP Massachusetts will continue fighting for reforms that make nursing homes safe and provide options for seniors to stay in their homes.

AARP continues to urge elected officials to act immediately, focusing this year on:

Enacting or making permanent the components of AARP's plan:

\* Prioritizing regular and ongoing testing and adequate personal protec-

tive equipment (PPE) for residents and staff—as well as inspectors and any visitors.

\* Improving transparency focused on daily, public reporting of cases and deaths in facilities; communication with families about discharges and transfers; and accountability for state and federal funding that goes to facilities.

\* Ensuring access to in-person visitation following federal and state guidelines for safety, and require continued access to virtual visitation for all residents.

\* Ensuring quality care for residents through adequate staffing, oversight, and access to in-person formal advocates, called long-term care Ombudsmen.

\* Rejecting immunity for long-term care facilities related to COVID-19.

\* Establishing minimum nursing staffing standards

\* Ensuring progress is made so that in-person visitation can safely occur and facilitating virtual visitation

\* Creating a pathway for single occupancy rooms in nursing homes

The AARP Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard analyzes federally reported data in four-week periods going back to June 1, 2020. Using this data, the AARP Public Policy Institute, in collaboration with the Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University in Ohio, created the dashboard to provide snapshots of the virus' infiltration into nursing homes and impact on nursing home residents and staff, with the goal of identifying specific areas of concern at the national and state levels in a timely manner.

The full Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard is available at [www.aarp.org/nursinghomedashboard](http://www.aarp.org/nursinghomedashboard). For more information on how COVID is impacting nursing homes and AARP's advocacy on this issue, visit [www.aarp.org/nursinghomes](http://www.aarp.org/nursinghomes).



Asst. RHS Hockey Coach Jim Mosca (right) is joined by his lifelong friend, Mark Fidler at Cronin Rink last Sunday afternoon.

## Mosca and Fidler back on home ice again

Staff report

Revere High School Asst. Hockey Coach, James Mosca was back on the ice with the team last Sunday afternoon for the RHS home opener against the Lynn Jets. Joining Mosca prior to the start of the game was his longtime friend and teammate,

Mark Fidler.

Mosca and Fidler had played many games a kids at Cronin Rink and others, until Mark Fidler went on to Boston University to join the Eagles on ice. He had an outstanding career as a BU Eagle but maintained his roots and friends in Revere and East Boston.

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lines for dealing with student drug abuse in the schools.

The lower hall of St. Anthony's Church was filled with more than 600 predominantly Catholics and Jews for their first Eucharistic Breakfast Sunday morning.

State Police raided 377 Revere Beach Boulevard and arrested three men on gaming charges.

Two men, one disguised as a priest, held a 400 Park Ave. mother and her two young children hostage, chaining her to the refrigerator, while they robbed the home of money and valuables. Three other housebreaks were reported over the weekend.

Sixteen families were forced to flee their homes when a three alarm fire struck a three-story Beachmont apartment house at 83 Atlantic Ave. The building commonly is referred to as the White Elephant.

Goldie Hawn stars in There's a Girl in My Soup at the Parkway Plaza Theatre.

### 60 years ago March 23, 1961

More than 300 Little League players and their parents filled Fr. Brennan Hall for a Sports Night to kick off a major fundraising drive. Guest speaker was Alan Miller, star full-back for the Boston Patriots professional football team of the new American Football League.

A two-alarm blaze at 900 Broadway destroyed Galli's Market and left two families homeless. Firefighters were hampered in battling the fire when the first hydrant they tried to use did not open.

School Superintendent Carl Lindstol, who has headed the local schools since 1928, has announced he will retire effective August 1.

Bus drivers are expect-

ed to go on strike tonight which will affect local bus transportation provided by Service Bus Lines, which operates four routes in the city and transports 400 school children.

Pres. John F. Kennedy's proposal for federal aid to education would provide \$11,790,000 to Massachusetts.

Stephen P. O'Donnell is the new Commander of the Beachmont Post VFW.

William Holden and Nancy Kwan star in The World of Suzie Wong at the Revere Theatre. Pictures of the world heavyweight boxing match between Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson are showing at the Revere Drive In.

### 70 years ago March 22, 1951

The School Committee took up the issue of whether to notify married female teachers that they may not be rehired in the fall. The committee then will have to seek single women teachers to replace the married teachers who are not rehired. The board did not make a final decision on how to handle the situation.

The entire Jewish community of Revere will be represented at a reception for Rabbi and Mrs. Harry Landes Sunday evening at Congregation Tifereth Israel to honor them for their 30 years of service to the community.

Bickering and accusations among the members of the City Council climaxed what observers described as a "weird" session of the Council at which budget items and pay raises for city employees were discussed.

Fire Dept. Lieut. James F. King has been named the new Director of Civil Defense by City Manager Edward C. Monahan. He is a veteran of both world wars.

## Taxis dispatched to help communities

Staff Report

MassDevelopment, in partnership with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), has awarded \$2,543,883 in funding to 47 cities and towns, municipal agencies, regional transit authorities, nonprofits, and health and human service providers through the Taxi, Livery, and Hackney Transportation Partnerships Grant Program, an operational subsidy program aimed at expanding transportation service capacity through contracts with licensed taxi or livery businesses. Administered by MAPC, these grants will help communities supplement existing transportation options, create new programs to transport individuals to work, grocery stores, non-emergency medical appointments, and other destinations, and facilitate delivery of essential supplies such as food and medicine to residents in need. The Taxi, Livery, and Hackney Transportation Partnerships Grant Program is funded by MassDevelopment's allocation from the Commonwealth's Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund.

"The Baker-Polito Administration commends MassDevelopment and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for utilizing the state's Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund to help communities augment local transit with taxi and livery services to get residents where they need to go," said Housing and Economic Development Secretary Mike Kennealy. "These awards will provide a boost to an industry in need while filling gaps in the state's transportation network."

The Commonwealth's Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund was created by An Act Regulating Transportation Network Companies, which Governor Baker signed into law in August 2016 and is supported by a 20-cent assessment on every transportation network company ride in Massachusetts. One-quarter of the Fund is being designated to MassDevelopment to provide financial assistance to small businesses operating in the taxicab, livery, or hackney industries.

MassDevelopment is using one-third of its allotment from the Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund to support the Taxi, Livery, and Hackney Transportation Partnerships Grant Program. In response to COVID-19, in April 2020

MAPC launched an early version of this program, the Urgent COVID-19 Taxicab, Livery, and Hackney Transportation Partnerships Grant Program, to facilitate urgent transportation and delivery needs for vulnerable populations during the pandemic; in November 2020, MassDevelopment and MAPC awarded \$1,003,978 through the program to 25 cities and towns, municipal agencies, regional transit authorities, and health and human services transportation providers.

MassDevelopment is using the remaining two-thirds of its allotment from the Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund to support the Taxi and Livery Business Support Grant Program, which offers taxi and livery operators financial assistance to secure products or services that will aid in improving their competitiveness and enhancing safety capabilities in the rapidly evolving market of for-hire transportation. In December 2020, the agency awarded 85 grants totaling \$4,465,619 through the first round of the program to support 104 small businesses operating in the taxi and livery industries and two taxi and livery industry associations.

The following cities, towns, and organizations received funding from Taxi, Livery, and Hackney Transportation Partnerships Grant Program:

•Cambridge Health Alliance – \$150,000

The organization is using this award to contract with Green Cab Company, Inc. to facilitate transportation to medical appointments and food pantries for vulnerable, high-risk, and underserved patients in the organization's primary service area.

•Mystic Valley Elder Service – \$50,000

The organization is using this award to contract with Malden Taxi and Suburban Taxi to facilitate transportation to medical appointments and grocery stores for seniors and adults living with disabilities who are isolated in their communities.

•City of Revere – \$46,800

The city is using this award to contract with Patriots Taxi Company to facilitate non-emergency medical transportation, transportation to stores, polling locations, and workforce development training programs, and food pantry deliveries for seniors, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and homebound residents.

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# Sports

## RHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

### RHS HOCKEY TEAM WINS OPENER, 5-2

The Revere High hockey team opened its 2021 season on a winning note with a 5-2 triumph over Greater Boston League opponent Lynn this past Sunday.

After spotting Lynn a 1-0 lead, the Patriots brought the contest back to level with a goal by junior Alexio Trichilo, assisted by Nick Summers.

However, Lynn regained the lead before the half ended -- the GBL teams are playing two halves of 22:30 in this pandemic season instead of the usual three periods of 15 minutes -- to take a 2-1 advantage at the horn.

However, the Patriots soon assumed control of the contest after the intermission. Jared Sorenson put home a rebound out front to even the count at 2-2 at the three-minute mark, and three minutes later, defenseman Santia-

go Delrio finished off an end-to-end rush to give Revere its first lead of the contest, 3-2.

Summers then put the game on ice with a pair of goals, the first with an assist from James Marini, for the 5-2 finale.

"We told the team at the half that they needed to increase their intensity and to focus on getting to loose pucks," said RHS head coach Joe Ciccarello. "The team responded well after being down. It was nice to start the season with a win."

Ciccarello and his crew will face a stern test Saturday when they take on perennial GBL power Medford. They will meet Everett next Tuesday.

### RHS SWIM TEAM BATTLES IN MEET WITH MALDEN

The Revere High swim team opened its 2021 win-

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Cam Wickens (#30) got the home opening win, allowing two goals in the first period and then shutting down the Jets for the Patriots to go on to win 5-2.



Santiago Delrio (#14) starts a play for the Patriots, Santiago had a goal for the home opener win.



Nick Summers (#16) put two goals on the board for the Patriots, shown here with a face-to-face showdown with the Jet goaltender.



Matt D'Annolfo (#21) comes close to a Patriot goal, but was turned away.



James Marini (#9) waits for a face-off in the Revere end.



Alexio Trichilo (#18) scores for the RHS patriots in the first period.

## RHS Girls Hoop team loses to Classical in overtime

By Cary Shuman

The Revere High School girls basketball team came within one split second of earning a victory in its season opener.

With Revere leading by two points with 5.3 seconds left thanks to two clutch free throws by Carolina Carvalho-Bettero, Classical's Ava Thurman dribbled the length of the court to score a basket at the buzzer and send the game into overtime.

Classical outscored Revere, 4-2, in the extra sessions to win the game, 59-57.

Revere head coach Matt Willis, whose team showed tremendous heart with its second-half rally, candidly assessed his defensive strategy on the final sequence.

"Looking back, I probably should have had two of our players up a little bit closer in the backcourt to stop the ball from crossing midcourt a little bit sooner," said Willis. "No. 10 (Thurman) was doing that all game for them. She was an excellent player. The game was being officiated very tight, so you didn't want to fully deny

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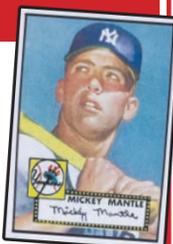
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# Revere Boys Basketball falls to Classical in overtime in opener

By Cary Shuman

The Revere High boys basketball team, after more than a year away from the court due to the coronavirus, took Lynn Classical to the wire in its opener, falling to the Rams, 58-54, in overtime at the Roland Merullo Fieldhouse.

Revere rallied from an 11-point first-half deficit and had the final shot in regulation after junior James Clauto made a steal and then drove in for the game-tying basket while being fouled on the play with 33 seconds left.

Clauto was unable to net the go-ahead free throw but the Patriots had a chance to win the game on an inbounds play with seven seconds left after Coach David Leary had called timeout.

Senior Calvin Boudreau, who happens to be the Revere football quarterback, threw a perfectly executed lead pass to senior Dillan Day, who had made a terrific move to get a step on his defender. But Classical's Angel Garcia appeared to make slight contact with Day and that altered the Day's attempt at what would likely have been the winning basket.

Garcia, a 6-foot-3-inch senior, was the difference maker in overtime as Classical outscored Revere, 10-6, in the extra session.

Clauto, who has made the jump from JV to varsity basketball this season, led all scorers with 23 points.

Calvin Boudreau had

13 points and 10 rebounds. Dylan Day had seven points while Marco Cerbone scored five points.

Leary was pleased with his team's overall effort following the long layoff.

"I have great kids. We basically had five practices in the past 12 months, so I wasn't expecting perfection," said Leary. "I thought we played well, especially in the second half, against a very good Classical team."

Revere lost to Everett, 73-34, in the second game of the season Monday night at Everett High School. Revere trailed Everett, 25-20, late in the first half, but the hosts went on a 7-0 run to end the half and then took control of the game in the second half.

"They turned the pressure up and we didn't handle it very well," said Coach Leary.

James Clauto was the Pats' leading scorer with 11 points. Dylan Day (6 points), Steven Leone (5), Calvin Boudreau (4) and Jared Natola (4) were the other scorers for Revere.

## PATRIOTS NOTEBOOK

Revere's season opener matched Marvin Avery, making his debut as the Classical head coach against David Leary, who had succeeded Avery as the head coach at Lynn Tech. Avery led Tech to a Division 3 state title in 2002. One of Avery's players was Antonio Anderson, who went on to play at Memphis and in

the NBA for the Oklahoma City Thunder. Anderson is currently the head coach of the two-time defending Division 1 state championship team.

In fact, Revere hosts Lynn English today (Wednesday at 6 p.m.) and plays at Medford Friday and at Somerville Monday. RHS Senior Night is set for Friday, March 26 versus Malden.

With the addition of Classical and English to the GBL, Revere is arguably playing in one of the most competitive basketball leagues in the state.

Ward 4 Councilor Patrick Keefe and Donald Boudreau were the broadcast duo for the Classical-Revere game on Revere TV. Keefe called the game "an instant classic" on the broadcast. Boudreau and Revere Parks and Recreation Director Mike Hinojosa were the broadcast duo for the Revere- Everett game.

David Leary is a 1997 graduate of Dom Savio (later Savio Prep) and was a starting guard on some excellent teams. In 1997, Leary and high-scoring guard John Bennett led Savio to the North sectional final, defeating Swampscott and upsetting Bishop Fenwick in the earlier rounds. Savio lost in a shootout to Weston, 102-88, in the North final at UMass/Boston, denying Leary an appearance as a player at the Boston Garden. The Spartans were coached by Angelo Fantasia.

## Play of The Day

### Carvalho-Bettero's tip pass was extraordinary

By Cary Shuman

Carolina Carvalho-Bettero is one of the most outstanding high school soccer players in eastern Massachusetts. The 5-foot-9-inch junior has 55 goals and 32 assists in

two seasons for the RHS girls soccer team.

But Carvalho-Bettero also plays RHS girls basketball and runs track and her amazing tip pass to Skylia DeSimone in Revere's season opener versus Lynn Classical just

may be the best play of her career to-date.

With the shot clock winding down, Carvalho-Bettero outjumped an opposing player for a pass and in one motion

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her (Thurman) on the inbounds pass. She did that little Euro-step and made a heck of a play."

Still, there were plenty of positives to take away from Revere's first game in more than a year.

Senior guard Alana Nelson had an outstanding game and finished with a team-high 20 points. "Alana was instrumental in helping us to consistent-

ly break Classical's full-court press and come back (from an 11-point deficit in second half)," said Willis.

Carvalho-Bettero had 18 points and 10 rebounds, including an amazing tip pass to Skylia DeSimone for a three-pointer.

DeSimone had 10 points in a solid debut to her senior season.

"I think Skylia did an

outstanding job containing Thurman in our half-court defense," said Willis.

Willis also credited Lynzie Anderson, Nina Cassinello, and Isabella Curtas-Lopera for their excellent rebounding and defense in the game.

Revere (0-2) who fell to Everett Monday night, will be back in action against Lynn English today.

## PATRIOTS TAKE A LOSS TO EVERETT HOOP TEAM

Photos by Bob Marra

Everett's John Monexant poured in 24 points to lead the Crimson Tide to a dominating 73-34 win over Revere at Everett High School Monday. The potent Everett squad overpowered the scrappy Patriots, and Revere had no answers to Everett's overall size and speed. Everett led 16-7 after one period and extended the lead to 32-20 at the half. Monexant scored eleven of Everett's 22 third quarter points as the Crimson Tide pulled away en route to the win.

Everett's Ralph Enayo also reached double figures with 12 second half points, nine of them in the final quarter. Revere was led by James Clauto with 11 points and Daniel Day scored 6.



Revere's Marco Cerbone reaches for a court-length pass over Juven's Louis's defensive effort.



Revere's Calvin Boudreau looks to escape the defense of Everett's Kevin Ariste.



Jarod Natola (10) works his way toward the basket in front of Everett's Kevin Ruiz.



Shown below, Dillon Day (33) presents a tall obstacle for Everett's Juven's Louis.



Revere's Nathan Ramos and Everett's James Monexant stop short as the ball gets away.

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Rosado, Mayra	DeCordero, Wanda M	8 Hayes Ave	\$530,000
Alvarez, Maritza	Lograsso, Salvatore	132 Lincoln St	\$560,000
Chavez, Flor E	Smaldone, Arthur H	15 Montfern Ave	\$510,000
Fuentes, Sanchez J	Sarcia Paula S Est	11 Oak Island Rd	\$528,000
Cunningham, Patrick J	Cunningham Francis X	183 Prospect Ave	\$365,000
Omalley, Kevin	Fisher, Jay T	510 Revere Beach Blvd #1105	\$405,000
Squire, Ryan P	Hoyle Construction Inc	13 Sweeney Ave #1	\$639,000
Centura Bay LLC	Gigliello N J Jr Est	14 Thorndike St	\$320,000
Rivera, Zurlay	Patch, Charles J	77 Wentworth Rd	\$815,000



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2021 RHS LADY PATRIOTS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



Shown above, the 2021 RHS Lady Patriots Basketball team. Shown in the front row: Bella Stamatopoulos, Elaysia Lung, Skyla DeSimone, Haley Belloise, and Carolina Carvalho-Bettero; in the back row: Giana Losanno, Alexis Iacoviello, Nina Cassinello, Lynzie Anderson, Erica Anderson, Francesca DeAngelis, Alana Nelson, Isabella Cuartas. Shown left, captains and coaches: Asst Coaches, Erika Cheever, Melissa Moore-Randall, Captains Skylar DeSimone, Lynzie Anderson, Erica Anderson, Alana Nelson and Head Coach of the 2021 Revere Varsity Lady Patriots, Matthew Willis.

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redirected the basketball to Skyla DeSimone who launched a three-pointer that was successful. DeSimone was fouled in the act of shooting. In essence, Carvalho-Bettero had to make three instantaneous decisions while the basketball was heading her way: that she couldn't get in a catch-and-shoot situation herself; that she had to locate DeSimone; and that she had to tip the basketball in such a way that DeSimone could launch the ball immediately. "I said to (Revere AD) Frank Shea and my assistant coaches, 'That's one of most athletic things I've seen in my coaching career,'" said Revere head coach Matt Willis. "The fact that Carolina tipped it to Skyla in perfect rhythm - also credit Skyla for being ready to shoot that ball. But the fact that Carolina had the wherewithal to know one, the shot clock, and two, understanding the rotation of the defense that left Skyla open. It was real-

ly just an amazing play and it definitely speaks volumes to Carolina's athleticism and basketball IQ." Carvalho-Bettero also swished two free throws with 5.3 seconds left in the game to give Revere a two-point lead. But Classical's Ava Thurman spoiled Carvalho-Bettero's potential game-winning moment on a full court-length drive to the basketball to send the game into overtime where Classical eventual won 59-57. "Carolina is just one of the best athletes and competitors you could coach," said Willis. "She made a few outstanding plays in this game, helped break their press, and really helped us get back into the game. She just really loves to compete and loves all things sports and she's a very proud Revere kid. She wants to play for her hometown team." Revere basketball fans can view Carolina's "play of the day" on the Revere TV broadcast video of the game.

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ter season with a meet against Greater Boston League rival Malden this past Monday.

Although the Patriots came up short by the narrowest of margins, 86-84, RHS head coach Chris Hill was impressed with his team's performance.

"The meet went very well," said Hill. "It was so very different from the types of meets we're used to having. With the COVID-19 restrictions, we only have 23 students on the team this year. Last year we had around 60.

"The meet was virtual; we swam here and Malden swam at their school," continued Hill. "Everyone had to wear masks except when they were in the water swimming. No cheering is allowed and everyone has to sit six feet apart. Despite all of these changes, the kids did a great job. They supported each other with applause, banging on benches, and virtual high fives."

The meet was highlighted for Revere by Senior Day presentations at which the members of the Class of 2021 were honored for their years with the RHS swim program.

"We opted to do Senior Night on our first meet to make sure the seniors got one," Hill said. "I didn't

want to risk them losing out on it if the season gets shut down in the next couple of weeks."

The team's four seniors, all of whom have been members of the team for four seasons and who also are the captains for this year's squad, are Alexandra Burke, Reked Caushaj, David Del Rio, and Isabella Veraldi, and all four were duly recognized for their contributions to the Patriot swimming team.

As for the meet itself, Caushaj, Del Rio, junior Ashton Hoang, and freshman Alem Cestic took 1st place in the 200 medley relay.

In the 400 free relay, junior Victor Pelatere teamed with Caushaj, Del Rio, and Hoang for 1st place.

Del Rio took 1st in the 100 back and 2nd in the 200 IM, while Caushaj took 1st in the 50 free and 2nd in the back.

Junior Mohammed Benzerdjeb, freshman Matt Terrell, and junior Miguel Leonarte placed 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in both the 200 free and the 100 free.

Cestic scored a 3rd place finish in the 200 IM and a 2nd in the 100 fly. "This was Alem's first time swimming both of these very difficult events in



The Revere High School 2021 Swim team. Shown in the back row l-r: Miguel Leonarte, Camillo Cuartas-Lopera, Elmar Velic, Kathy Trinh, Sofia Lee Li, Samantha Farias and Denis Quijada. Middle row l-r: Matthew Terrell, Gavin Rua, Daniel Cardona, Yasmin Riazi, Alem Cestic and Mohammed Benzerdjeb. Front row l-r: Harrison Rua, Nate Hill, Alex Burke, David Del Rio, Isabella Veraldi, Reked Caushaj, Ashton Hoang and Victor Pelatere.

competition," noted Hill.

Hoang had a solid meet with a 2nd place finish in the 500 free and 3rd in

the 100 breast. Pelatere placed 2nd in the 50 free and 2nd in the 100 breast. Victor also anchored the

2nd place 200 free relay team with Benzerdjeb, Veraldi, and Terrell.

Hill and his crew have

their next meet this coming Monday against Lynn English.



Isabella Veraldi performing the butterfly.



David Del Rio competing in the backstroke.



PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

Senior Captains from left to right, David Del Rio, Isabella Veraldi, Alex Burke and Reked Caushaj.



Revere's Alex Burke in the freestyle.

Advertisement for 'Stuck at Home?' featuring a large red script title, bold text 'More People Home means More Projects, More Painting, More Repairs Now through March, Advertise in our papers at a rate that can't be beat!', and 'GET 12 WEEKS OF EYES ON YOUR AD ONLY \$100'. It includes a 'CHOOSE FROM SIX COMMUNITIES TO ADVERTISE IN!' section listing Revere Journal, East Boston Times-Free Press, Everett Independent, WINTHROP, Chelsea Record, and The Lynn Journal. A 'Professional Service Directory Special!' is also advertised. The ad includes several small images of home improvement services like painting, snow removal, and landscaping.

## 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):

### THURSDAY, FEB. 25

0147: A repossession company reported the repo of a motor vehicle (MV) on Caruso Court.

0539: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Bennington St. The officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old East Boston man for the criminal offense of leaving the scene of an accident after causing property damage.

0730: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Reservoir Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0808: Vandalism on Franklin Ave. The officer filed a report.

0820: Disturbance on Sumner St. Officers arrested Roman Lora-Rodriguez, 31, of 24 Sumner St., on two outstanding warrants and for the criminal offense of causing malicious destruction of property over \$1200.

0847: Disturbance on Broadway. Officers arrested Carlos R. Pedraza, 45, of Chelsea, for the criminal offenses of assault by means of a dangerous weapon and making a threat to commit a crime.

1010: Threats on Rice Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1013: Animal complaint at Thornton St. and Shirley Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1100: MVA on Oakwood Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1131: Animal complaint on Goldie Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1259: Parking complaint on Lynn St. The officer provided assistance.

1556: Disturbance on VFW Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1636: Disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1654: MVA with property damage only on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1704: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on School St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1833: Disabled MV at Malden St. and Washington Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1840: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broadway.

1849: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1952: Noise disturbance on Ocean Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2150: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

2210: Suspicious activity on Suffolk Ave. The officer provided assistance.

the party.

0624: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Proctor Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0727: Public safety on Stevens St. The officer provided assistance.

0746: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Pleasant St.

0749: Suspicious activity on Walnut Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1017: Animal complaint on Steeple St. The officer provided assistance.

1024: Disabled MV at Mahoney Circle. The MV was towed.

1047: Abandoned MV on Park Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1136: Harassing phone calls on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer filed a report.

1310: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Proctor Ave.

1334: Noise disturbance on Festa Rd. The officer spoke to the party.

1355: Disturbance on Cooledge St. The officer provided assistance.

1424: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Parkside Place.

1430: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1450: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. Officers arrested Vernarda C. Smith Jr., 28, of Boston, on an outstanding warrant and for the criminal offenses of shoplifting by asportation, illegal possession of a Class A and a Class B controlled narcotic substance, and possession of burglarious instruments.

1457: Disturbance on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1510: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Fernwood Ave.

1539: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Crest Ave.

1658: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Revere Beach Blvd. and filed a report.

1706: Disabled MV at Eliot Circle and the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1829: Hit-and-run MVA on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1857: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Proctor Ave.

2106: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Proctor Ave.

2127: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV parked in a handicapped spot on Reservoir Ave.

2227: Noise disturbance on Hichborn St. The officer spoke to the party.

2238: Disabled MV on Harris St. The officer provided assistance.

2337: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Ocean Ave.

2358: An officer provided assistance to another agency on No. Shore Rd.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 26

0244: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on the Revere Beach Parkway.

0530: Parking complaint at Sears St. and Bay Rd. The officer issued a parking ticket.

0553: Landlord/tenant disturbance on Proctor Ave. The officer spoke to

### SATURDAY, FEB. 27

0012: Noise disturbance on Mountain Ave. The officer provided assistance.

0103: Noise disturbance on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

0204: Disabled MV at Ward and Charger Sts. The officer provided assistance.

0247: Motor vehicle ac-

cident (MVA) at Central Ave. and School St. The officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old Watertown man for the criminal offenses of operating a MV while under the influence of liquor, operating a MV recklessly so as to endanger, and negligent operation of a MV, and for the civil infractions of speeding, failing to stop for a traffic control signal, and having an open container of an alcoholic beverage while operating a MV.

0343: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Shirley Ave.

0620: Vandalism on Proctor Ave. The officer filed a report.

0635: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV blocking a driveway on Ellerton St.

0730: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

0830: An officer moved along a MV parked in handicapped spot on Reservoir Ave.

0939: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

0945: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage on McCoba St. The officer filed an accident report.

1032: Unwanted person on Squire Rd. The officer moved along a MV.

1206: Fraud on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1301: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Oakwood Ave.

1358: Lost/found property on Everett St. The officer provided assistance.

1401: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1427: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Squire Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1439: Citizen complaint on Proctor Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1523: Parking complaint at Sears St. and Bay Rd. The MV was moved.

1532: Suspicious activity on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1533: MVA at State Rd. and Unity Ave. An officer issued a citation to a 29 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of operating a MV with a suspended license (subseq. offense).

1554: Domestic disturbance on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

1630: Citizen complaint on Salem St. The officer provided assistance.

1651: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Broadway.

1848: MVA on American Legion Highway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1857: MVA on Central Ave. The officer filed a report.

1942: Domestic disturbance on Overlook Ridge Terr. The officer provided assistance.

1945: Larceny on Shirley Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2025: Disturbance on Park Ave. The officer re-

## STABBED ON NORTH SHORE ROAD



PHOTO BY MICHAEL LAYHE SR

Revere Police stake off the area where a stabbing took place in Revere at 841 North Shore Road last Thursday afternoon. The crime took place in the house and the victim stumbled outside to the sidewalk where he was bleeding profusely.

stored the peace.

2300: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Park Ave.

2302: Unwanted person on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

2309: Noise disturbance on Fairfield St. The officer provided assistance.

2355: Noise disturbance on Centennial Ave. The officer restored the peace.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 28

0001: Disturbance on Sumner St. The officer restored the peace.

0023: Unwanted person on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

0109: Disturbance on Campbell Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0220: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0253: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Overlook Ridge Dr.

0422: Unwanted person on Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

0435: Noise disturbance on Roughan St. The officer restored the peace.

0502: Noise disturbance on Roughan St. The officer provided assistance.

0551: Blocked driveway on Hillside Ave. The officer provided assistance.

0941: Unwanted person on Taft St. The officer restored the peace.

1015: Suspicious activity on Dashwood St. The officer spoke to the party.

1016: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1044: MVA at Copeland Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1101: Vandalism on Walnut Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1103: Assault on Walnut Ave. The officer filed a report.

1117: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Fernwood Ave.

1355: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Beach St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1512: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Overlook Ridge Dr.

1527: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on VFW Parkway and issued a citation to the operator, a 35 year-old East Boston man, for the criminal offenses of operating an uninsured MV and operating a MV with a suspended registration.

1543: MVA on Washington Ave. The MV was towed.

1551: An officer

stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Shirley Ave. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1604: Disturbance on Library St. The officer restored the peace.

1703: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway and issued citations to the operator, a 31 year-old Chelsea man, for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV, and to the vehicle's owner, a 37 year-old Chelsea man, for the criminal offenses of permitting an unlicensed operator to operate his MV and for the operation of his MV with a suspended registration.

1755: Parking complaint on Sumner St. The MV was moved.

1836: Unwanted person on Ocean Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1845: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer arrested a 49 year-old Malden man on an outstanding warrant and filed a report.

1848: Parking complaint on VFW Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1859: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) At Dunn Rd. and Sagamore St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1925: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2157: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway and issued a citation to the operator, a 49 year-old Malden man, for the criminal offenses of operating an uninsured MV and concealing the identification of a registration plate, and for the civil infraction of operating an unregistered MV. The MV was towed.

2336: Domestic disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer restored the peace.

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1043: An officer provided public safety services on Rice Ave.

1113: Animal complaint on Fowler Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1123: Animal complaint on Whittin Ave. The officer spoke to the party.

1139: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Butler Circle for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1226: MVA at Mahoney Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1243: Larceny on Reservoir Ave. The officer filed a report.

1342: Hit-and-run MVA with property damage on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

1425: Disturbance at Beach and Walden Sts. The officer restored the peace.

1451: Breaking & entering (B&E) into a MV on Lambert St. The officer filed a report.

1605: An officer provided assistance to another agency on School St.

1626: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1643: Abandoned MV on Conant St. The officer spoke to the party.

1708: Animal complaint on Temple St. The officer provided assistance.

1721: An officer provided traffic control services on Shirley Ave.

1725: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

1750: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer provided assistance.

1826: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Grover St.

1833: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV at Rice and

Wadsworth Aves.

1853: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1943: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on VFW Parkway for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1956: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Lee Burbank Highway for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

2043: An officer assisted the parties at a MVA with property damage only on Eliot Rd. with the exchange of papers.

2102: Disturbance on Essex St. The officer restored the peace.

2131: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Ward St.

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# Two seriously injured in crash involving tractor-trailer and five other vehicles

At 2:20 p.m. Monday Troopers from the State Police-Revere Barracks and specialized units responded to Route 1 northbound, south of the Route 60 rotary, in Revere for a serious crash involving a tractor-trailer and five other vehicles. The driver and passenger in one of the cars, a 44-year-old Peabody woman and a 49-year-old Peabody man,

were transported to Massachusetts General Hospital with serious, potentially life-threatening injuries. Preliminary investigation by Troopers suggests the tractor-trailer, a 2019 Volvo operated by a 59-year-old Kingston, N.H., man, rear-ended a 2006 Ford Five Hundred sedan occupied by the Peabody couple in the left lane of the northbound

side of the highway. The impact caused subsequent chain reaction collisions between the Ford, a 2018 Volkswagen Tiguan sport utility vehicle operated by a 48-year-old Danvers man, a 2014 Subaru Outback operated by a 43-year-old Newburyport man, a 2013 Nissan Altima operated by a 39-year-old Danvers man, and a 2013 Honda Accord op-

erated by a 32-year-old Medford man and carrying a 31-year-old Medford man as a passenger. The occupants of the Ford Five Hundred, one of whom was entrapped and was extricated from the vehicle by Revere firefighters, sustained serious injuries. The drivers of the tractor-trailer and the Tiguan were not injured. The occupants of the Out-

back, Altima and Accord – four people in all – were transported to area hospitals with minor injuries. The facts and circumstances of the crash remain under investigation by Troop A of the Massachusetts State Police, the State Police Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Section, the State Police Crime Scene Services Section, and the State

Police Detective Unit for Suffolk County. The result of that investigation will determine if criminal charges will be sought. The tractor-trailer is owned by Velez Brothers Trucking of Danvers. Multiple lanes on both sides of Route 1 were closed for nearly two hours to accommodate the rescue response and investigation.

## Crime Report // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 14

2210: Unwanted person on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 2

0314: An officer provided public safety services at No. Shore Rd. and Oak Island St.

0743: MVA at Copeland Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

0809: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Lee Burbank Highway and Winthrop Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0842: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Cushman Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0935: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at No. Shore Rd. and John Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1008: Suspicious activity on Dale St. The officer spoke to the party.

1012: Domestic disturbance on Sherman St. The officer restored the peace.

1022: Parking complaint at Crest Ave. and Bateman Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1106: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Mountain Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1106: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Broadway.

1135: Disabled MV at No. Shore Rd. and Shawmut St. The officer provided assistance.

1301: A resident reported a case of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

1337: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1342: Larceny on Salem St. The officer filed a report.

1436: An officer served a notice of license revocation to a Parkside Place resident.

1441: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV on Calumet St.

1500: Unwanted person on Overlook Ridge Terr. The officer provided assistance.

1505: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV on Calumet St.

1539: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Wilson St.

1630: MVA at Copeland Circle. The MV was towed.

1646: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Walnut St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1715: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Hillside Ave. Officers arrested Ever Vladimir Nunez Chavez, 40, of 63 Eustis St., for the criminal offenses of operating a MV with a suspended license (subseq. offense) and negligent operation of a MV.

1806: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

1822: Disturbance on Coledge St. The officer provided assistance and filed a report.

1852: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1856: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Squire Rd.

1903: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Bennington St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1904: A hit-and-run MVA was reported on Beach St.

1911: A hit-and-run MVA with property damage was reported at Mahoney Circle. The officer filed a report.

1922: Unwanted person on VFW Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1927: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on VFW Parkway for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1932: MVA at Copeland Circle. The officer provided assistance.

1932: MVA on Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1953: MVA on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

2008: An officer issued a parking ticket to a MV parked in a handicapped spot on Revere St.

2042: Parking complaint on Revere St. The MV was towed.

2109: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Frank Ave. and No. Shore Rd. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2219: An officer provided public safety services on Lynn Marsh Rd.

2249: Domestic disturbance on Revere St. The officer filed a report.

2329: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Revere Beach Parkway and Hillside Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

2337: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Broadway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

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1052: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Oak Island St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1057: MVA with property damage only on Lee Burbank Highway. The officer filed a report.

1106: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage only at VFW Parkway and Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1124: A resident reported a case of identity theft. The officer filed a report.

1140: Disabled MV on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1149: Abandoned MV on No. Shore Rd. The MV was towed.

1201: Parking complaint on Jarvis St. The officer provided assistance.

1212: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Broadway. The officer issued a citation to a 22 year-old Lynn woman for the criminal offenses of operating an uninsured MV and concealing the identity of a registration plate, and for the civil infraction of operating an unregistered MV.

1345: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Caruso St. and filed a report.

1414: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at No. Shore Rd. and Revere St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1509: Suspicious activity on Francis St. The officer filed a report.

1536: Suspicious activity on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer performed a field interrogation.

1538: Disabled MV on Suffolk Downs Rd. The MV was moved.

1610: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) with property damage only on Beach St. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1619: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Revere Beach Blvd. and filed a report.

1627: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on Beach St. for a civil infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

1628: Fraud on Revere Beach Blvd. The officer provided assistance.

1640: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway and issued a citation to the operator, a 22 year-old Chelsea man, for the criminal offense of operating a MV with a suspended registration.

1645: MVA on Dehon St. The officer will file a report.

1648: Larceny on Broadway. The officer filed a report.

1704: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Irving St. and issued a summons for a court hearing to a 40 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offenses of intimidation of a witness and assault & battery on a family or household member.

1703: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on McClure St.

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ed to a report of a disturbance on Shirley Ave. and arrested Shaner V. Guerra, 28, of 11 Montfern Ave., for the criminal offenses of assault & battery, disturbing the peace, illegal possession of a Class B controlled narcotic substance, assault & battery by means of a dangerous weapon, and two counts of assault.

1751: An officer stopped a MV on Broadway and issued a citation to the operator, a 47 year-old Revere man, for the criminal offense of operating a MV with a suspended license.

1826: Hit-and-run MVA with property damage on Beachland Ave. The officer provided assistance.

1833: Suspicious MV on Shirley Ave. The officer filed a report.

1910: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer restored the peace.

1915: Suspicious activity on Bennington St. The officer filed a report.

2009: Disturbance on Victoria St. The officer restored the peace.

2201: An officer served a 209A order upon a Park Ave. resident.

2333: Noise disturbance on Ward St. The officer provided assistance.

2334: Disturbance on Coledge St. The officer restored the peace.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 4

0015: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Vera St. and restored the peace.

0041: Suspicious activity on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer restored the peace.

0120: Unwanted person on Ocean Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0644: A tow company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Ward St.

0745: An officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers at a MVA on VFW Parkway.

0917: Suspicious activity on Broadway. The officer provided assistance.

0947: Breaking & entering (B&E) into a building on Yeaman St. The officer filed a report.

1004: Vandalism on Janvrin Ave. The officer filed a report.

1204: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on American Legion Highway and issued a citation to a 42 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV. The MV was towed.

1206: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Witherbee Ave.

1218: A towing company reported the trespass tow of a MV on Augustus St.

1546: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Milano Ave.

1640: Disturbance on Broadway. The officer restored the peace.

1648: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Reservoir Ave. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1703: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on McClure St.

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1800: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Larkin St.

1821: Hit-and-run MVA on Broadway with property damage. The officer spoke to the party.

1934: Suspicious activity on Beach St. The officer filed a report.

2023: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV on Butler St.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 5

0123: An officer stopped a MV at Lee Burbank Highway and Railroad St. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0230: An officer stopped a MV on Winthrop Ave. for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

0453: A MV was reported stolen on McClure St.

0453: Domestic disturbance on Hichborn St. The officer restored the peace.

0919: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Vinal St. and filed a report.

1013: An officer served a 209A order on a Douglas St. resident.

1140: Illegal dumping on Lucia Ave. The officer filed a report.

1220: Parking complaint on Proctor Ave. The MV was towed.

1317: Domestic disturbance on Salem St. The officer spoke to the party.

1328: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1430: Disabled MV at Revere St. and Ocean ave. The officer provided assistance.

1508: Hit-and-run MVA with property damage on Beach St. The officer provided assistance and filed a report.

1540: Disturbance on the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1738: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 40 year-old Winthrop woman for the criminal offense of shoplifting by concealing merchandise (2nd offense).

1823: Lost/found animal on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

2003: An officer provided assistance to another agency on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

2018: Parking complaint on Cecilian Ave. The MV was moved.

2020: A MV was reported stolen at Revere and Douglas Sts.

2112: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV on Essex St.

2150: Parking complaint on Arnold St. The MV was towed.

2153: Domestic disturbance on Lantern Rd. The officer restored the peace.

2159: Noise disturbance on Dix St. The officer provided assistance.

2221: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

2310: Disturbance on Oakwood Ave. The officer

filed a report.

2321: Noise disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2345: Suspicious activity on Shirley Ave. The officer filed a report.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 6

0021: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) at Broadway and Eastern Ave. and issued a citation to an 18 year-old Saugus man for the criminal offense of unlicensed operation of a MV.

0030: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Mills Ave. and No. Shore Rd. The officer will file a report.

0057: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at John Ave. and No. Shore Rd. The officer will file a report.

0533: Disturbance on Beach St. The officer restored the peace.

0840: An officer provided public safety services at Broadway and Beach St.

0854: Lost/found animal at Mahoney Circle. The officer filed a report.

0939: An officer stopped a motor vehicle (MV) on the Revere Beach Parkway for a civil infraction and gave a verbal warning to the operator.

1035: Domestic disturbance on American Legion Highway. The officer spoke to the party.

1226: Blocked driveway on Hillside Ave. The officer issued a parking ticket.

1241: Disturbance on Furlong Drive. The officer spoke to the party.

1306: Suspicious activity at Albert Ave. and the Revere Beach Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

1414: Threats to kill on VFW Parkway. The officer restored the peace.

1431: An officer performed public safety services on Ward St.

1457: Disturbance on American Legion Highway. The officer provided assistance.

1553: MVA at Brown Circle. The officer will file a report.

1614: MVA on Squire Rd. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1701: An officer provided assistance to another agency on the Revere Beach Parkway.

1820: A repossession company reported the repo of a MV on Madison St.

1901: Assault on VFW Parkway. The officer provided assistance.

2050: Lost/found animal on Malden St. The officer provided assistance.

2153: Abandoned MV at Goodwin and Rice Aves. The officer provided assistance.

2244: Disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer provided assistance.

2312: Noise disturbance on Mountain Ave. The officer restored the peace.

2333: Domestic disturbance on No. Shore Rd. The officer spoke to the party.

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### KEY PROPERTY GOES OUT TO BID

**CHELSEA** - The long-vacant storefront on Broadway that used to house the Salvation Army store has gone out to bid this week and will soon have some movement on choosing a developer to build-out the City-owned, and key, downtown property.

City Planner Alex Train said the City has put out the RFP on the property at 440 Broadway and had a site walk with potential respondents Tuesday morning. Bids on the property are due April 29, and Train said he expects to get some very good proposals to choose from.

"We're engaging in a pretty robust promotional and advertising campaign to elevate the regional knowledge of the opportunity," he said. "We're hoping to get a lot of good information out there and we're optimistic it will yield a number of high-quality proposals."

He said they have begun to form an Evaluation Committee on the matter, and predicted by the end of May they will have the developer selected. Then they will forward it to the City Council for review and approvals.

The development is seen by the City as a way to really get momentum going for development in downtown Chelsea. In a key location in busy Bellingham Square, the property has already gone through the approval process - thus saving lots of time and money for any developer that wins the bid.

What has been approved is a 16-unit, five story new building with podium parking for eight

spots. There is also to be 5,000 sq. ft. of retail on the ground floor. If a developer were to come in and want to propose a different project, they would have to go through the approval process again.

"We did all the approvals before the RFP and got the development ready in hopes it would translate into more affordable housing and a higher-quality product," Train said.

The City will be looking for an all-affordable, or a majority-affordable, project with ground floor retail and community uses. For the retail, he said they are looking for something creative, maybe even a continuation of the gallery that is there now, but certainly not a chain store.

"We don't want something that could just be in any downtown in America," Train said.

### HOMEOWNER STABILIZATION PROGRAM TO START SECOND PHASE

**CHELSEA** - The Chelsea Homeowner Stabilization Program has nearly completed its first round of assistance, and will begin the larger Phase 2 program - which has money in it to help those whose property taxes have gone up significantly - will begin in the next two weeks.

Housing Specialist Desirae Valentin told the Affordable Housing Trust Fund on Tuesday that the first phase was successful, with 25 people selected for help and the loan documents now being wrapped up.

She said 41 had been put in the lottery, with others on the waiting list. However, only 25 were

selected and qualified, and some money was left over because of that. That money will be rolled into Phase 2.

Of the 25, some 15 have signed agreements and the City is moving to get payment to them. The others are still finalizing paperwork and loan documents.

"We should be finishing within the next two or three weeks on that and everyone will have signed loan agreements by the end of the month," she said.

The program gives out up to \$5,000 for a single-family, \$8,000 for a two-family, and \$10,000 for a three-family. It is meant to pay three months of mortgage, utilities, taxes, insurance and tenant costs. The loan is forgiven after two years if one doesn't sell the home and doesn't move out. Those accepting would have to pay half back if they sell within the year, and all of it back if they sell immediately.

The larger Phase 2, she said, should open up in a couple of weeks for applications.

City Planner Alex Train said they are also working with Chelsea Restoration Corporation to make loan modifications to those homeowners who do not have a favorable mortgage, such as a high adjustable rate.

Additionally, he said there have not yet been a lot of foreclosures on homeowners in the city as of now, but many experts expect that in the near future.

"We haven't seen a large number of foreclosures yet and that's because lenders are being flexible," he said. "Forecasters do predict there will be in-

### HELPING THE SALVATION ARMY



The Chelsea Salvation Army was pleased to accept a donation from Javier Bellini, vice president of Cambridge Savings Bank, on March 3 at the Chestnut Street facility. Accepting it is the Salvation Army's Isael Gonzalez. "We are so grateful for the support of community partners like Cambridge Savings Bank that support the work we do for our community," said Gonzalez. "Because of partners like them The Salvation Army of Chelsea/East Boston have served 5.9 million meals since March 2020, and The Salvation Army distributed 14.5 million meals across Massachusetts."

creases in foreclosures if the market doesn't pick up for hospitality and service sectors."

### HEARING HELD ON TENANT DISPLACEMENT

**EAST BOSTON** - City Councilor Lydia Edwards held a hearing with the Boston City Council's Committee on Government Operations to recommend passage of her ordinance extending and enhancing protections for tenants facing displacement by condominium or cooperative conversion.

As Chair of the Boston City Council's Committee on Government Operations, Edwards ordinance will strengthen existing protections afforded by the current ordinance in light of the rapid increase of small apartment buildings being converted to condominiums in East Boston and throughout the city.

Since 1983, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has afforded municipalities the option to enact protections for tenants residing in properties subject to condominium conversion ordinance, updated in 2014, affords residents of covered properties a notice period, right of first refusal to purchase their unit, relocation assistance, just cause eviction, and relocation benefits if the unit is converted to a condominium.

Edwards explained the ordinance increases relocation benefits for residents facing displacement, provides additional notice requirements, and establishes a condo conversion permit and notification system within the City of Boston's Office of Housing Stability and Inspectional Services Department. In addition, the ordinance establishes a look back period of 12 months which will assist in determining whether the tenants are provided all of their rights and benefits in cases of a building clear out.

"The proposed language strengthens the current ordinance, closes loopholes, and further protects tenants from displacement during this citywide rental housing emergency," says Councilor Edwards. "I'd like to thank my Boston City Council colleagues, especially City Councilor Ed Flynn, Chief of Housing Sheila Dillon and Tim Davis at the Department

of Neighborhood Services, and all administration officials who worked diligently to make this happen."

Last year, Councilors and administration officials held a hearing and working session on July 27, 2020 and October 15, 2020 examining issues of building clearouts that occurred prior to a building owner starting the formal process to convert a building.

The aim of hearing and working sessions was to increase the relocation assistance provided in order to better reflect the economic realities of the current rental market, and expand the groups covered by the ordinance beyond protected classes to include families with children and tenants that have lived in a unit for longer than five years.

"I support this proposal," said Councilor Ed Flynn. "I want to strengthen the ordinance like we all do, and look forward to seeing what we can do to provide more protections for our seniors, persons with disabilities and our immigrant neighbors to make sure Boston is a city for, for all."

Councilor Michael Flaherty thanked Edwards for her advocacy on this issue.

"I look forward to working on this and to continue to improve the quality of life for folks that have been faced with eviction," said Flaherty. "We have a responsibility as a government to try to protect our residents and neighbors and keep them in their homes, particularly those that are born and raised in neighborhoods. Through no fault of their own, through speculation and investment, they're being squeezed out of their property. Rents continue to creep up so anything we can do to keep people in their homes and to give them whatever support they can as tenants being evicted I say, 'sign me up.' So I appreciate the work Councilor Edwards is doing."

District 9 City Councilor Liz Breadon also thanked Edwards for her leadership and added, "I really want to echo the sentiments of my colleagues that this is critically important in protecting folks who are vulnerable to eviction and displacement by condo conversions."

Chief Dillon said the previous ordinance had too many loopholes.

"We all are here to extend the condo conversion ordinance that wasn't strong enough," said Dillon. "It had too many loopholes and it needed to be strengthened. What we're discussing here today is really going to make a difference for tenants and it's going to be harder for them to be displaced so (developers) can achieve a condo conversion."

### MICHLEWITZ BACKS SANTIAGO FOR MAYOR

**EAST BOSTON** - Just over a week after Jon Santiago launched his campaign, State Representative Aaron Michlewitz from the North End has endorsed Jon Santiago for Mayor of Boston.

"I am proud to endorse Jon Santiago for Mayor of Boston. Our city stands on the precipice of a new era of leadership and I know Jon's experience as a doctor, a veteran, a Peace Corps volunteer, and as a state representative make him the most qualified to lead us into that new era," said Representative Michlewitz. "He will help us recover as a city and region."

Michlewitz represents the Third Suffolk District, which comprises the neighborhoods of the North End, Waterfront, Chinatown, South End, Downtown, Leather District, Bay Village, and portions of the West End, Beacon Hill and the Back Bay. In 2019, he was named Chair of the House Ways and Means Committee and continues to hold that post. Born and raised in the North End, Rep. Michlewitz and Santiago have delivered for Boston neighborhoods on a variety of legislative initiatives including COVID-19 relief, landmark education reform, transportation investments, and the expansion of affordable housing.

"Having worked with Chairman Michlewitz on Beacon Hill to deliver urgently needed results for our city and state, I've seen firsthand how much he cares about our city and expanding opportunity for all," Santiago said. "I am humbled to receive his endorsement and look forward to working with him and community leaders throughout Boston to bring our city back stronger than ever."

Jon Santiago is currently serving his second term as the State Representative for District 9.



## 2021 WATER & SEWER SENIOR DISCOUNT PROGRAM

### Covid-19 message:

In an effort to keep our seniors safe, we are making changes to our 2021 Water & Sewer Senior Discount Program.

The period to apply for your 2021 discount will begin on Friday April 30<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Throughout the application process, the 2021 forms will be available online at [Revere.org](http://Revere.org) or you can call the water office at 781-286-8145 to request a form be mailed to you. All forms that are received MUST be accompanied by a copy of Massachusetts state driver's license or picture ID.

There will also be several opportunities to apply in a safe outside area of City Hall on several dates and times. Dates & times TBA.

#### To qualify:

- Applicant must be owner of the record/occupy the property and Water bill & Tax Bill must be in his or her name.
- Applicant or spouse must turn age 65 during the calendar year to which the discount will be applied.
- The discount applies only to the owner of one, two and three family dwellings.
- Applicant must provide a valid Massachusetts state driver's license or picture ID that shows the date of birth and property address.  
\*\*\*\*Additional documentation may be required\*\*\*\*
- The applicant must complete and return the application form no later than September 30th of the calendar year the discount is in effect.
- Discount is only applied to one billing period annually.

Please call 781-286-8145 with any further questions.



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sentative for the 9th Suffolk District representing the South End, Roxbury, Back Bay, and Fenway neighborhoods of Boston. He is an emergency room physician employed at Boston Medical Center, the city's safety net hospital. He serves as a captain in the U.S. Army Reserve and has deployed overseas. Prior to these experiences, Santiago served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Dominican Republic. He lives in the South End with his wife, Alexandra.

**TEACHERS QUICKLY MOVE TO GET VACCINATED**

EVERETT - A lot of noise has been heard over the past two months on the outside in the whole teacher vaccination debate in Everett, but on the inside many teachers had been struggling internally with the idea of serving their students or preserving their health.

It was a tough intersection for the district's many hundreds of teachers, but one that has been resolved this week as President Joe Biden and Gov. Charlie Baker cleared the way for teachers to get vaccinated last week, and many now have already received their first doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

It couldn't have come at a better time either, as Everett Public Schools educators have a tentative agreement to return to school buildings this month.

"I got my first dose at Gillette over the weekend and it was smooth as silk," said Everett Teachers Association President Kim Auger. "I was very, very pleased at how it went... It really makes us look at going back in a far different way. We will keep our social distancing and protocols...I do feel like it is a relief. It's in your arm and you're like, 'Oh my it's been a year.' It felt a little bit of relief, but we are still social distancing and wearing masks in our home."

Teacher Jennifer Cuthbert said she felt the same way. As a 42-year-old fifth-grade teacher at the Webster School, she wasn't likely to be vaccinated under the old system any time soon. So, going back without the protection of a vaccine was nerve-racking, she said.

As a veteran, and with the teaching vaccination debate being settled last week, she was able to get an appointment and will be vaccinated before school starts, she said.

"It's huge for me," she said. "It's a huge sense of relief. Being in a class with 20-plus kids in a small room with mask off to eat lunch - that's the plan I heard - it was nerve wracking. It's a tough situation and I get it. A lot of parents have children at home and might have to go to work. However, my mom just had a brain tumor and had surgery so that was a main concern for me."

Middle School teacher Keith Spencer echoed that sentiment, saying he was able to get his first vaccine about 30 minutes from his home. While he went through the wringer last Thursday, March 4, to get his appointment, he said finally getting it change everything.

"Personally, getting vaccinated before going back was at the top of my list," he said. "I'm from a family that has issues with

immunity. I don't have immunity issues myself, but I was concerned with that. I understand transmission rates and stuff but I know we also haven't crowded 30 to 35 kids in a room at the school. I wanted to get kids back here, but I was also hoping we would get the priority as essential people. I was quite disappointed when the governor didn't make us a priority when school opening was a priority.

"For me, it was an essential thing," he continued. "I wasn't going to apply for medical paperwork. I would have gone back to the classroom without a vaccination, but it was tough. I'm glad I didn't have to make that decision."

That decision has been weighing on Spencer and other teachers in the district. Many in the administration have been pushing for vaccination, but in absence of that, they have also been pushing to get in-person learning available to students and families. That's in large part because a majority of families are ready to send their children back to school. Everett tried to initiate a pilot program to vaccinate teachers in February, but that was squelched by Gov. Baker before it could happen - pitting teachers against some students and families on the return discussion.

"It just didn't feel right," said Spencer. "I felt like things that went on in our state over the last few weeks put us in that situation to where we had to choose between our students and our own personal safety. I was thinking about what happened if I got sick. I love my job and my students and what I do, but I was nervous about going back. I don't think anyone should have to be put in a situation where they have to choose between their health and their job."

Spencer said he is to receive his second dose of the vaccine in early April, just before he is scheduled to return. With that confidence, he said he is ready to be back - not that he wasn't before - but that he can do his job without the nagging concern of being unprotected at work.

"If you're a teacher and truly love what you do, you know the best way to teach your students is in-person learning," he said. "I'm ready to go back."

Teachers across the school system are to report back to the classroom on March 22 as part of a tentative agreement with the district.

**FIRE DEPT. CALLS ARE DOWN IN 2020**

EVERETT - The Everett Fire Department is left scratching their heads as to the large drop in calls for service throughout 2020, just as medical aid calls continued to increase and dominate their activities on the fire service.

According to Chief Tony Carli, there were 1,000 fewer calls in 2020 compared to 2019 - coming in at 5,560 total calls for service and 5,632 calls logged. That was the biggest story in the numbers that the chief has annually crunched since he began to notice the fire service transforming to more of a medical aid response and less of a fire response several years ago. However, with a pandemic raging and so many families stuck at home for a large

part of 2020, the chief said he had thought calls would be up - not down.

"We're down about 1,000 calls from the previous year and those numbers do tell a story," he said. "One year ago today, I would have said we were going to have so many more calls - food on the stove calls, small fire calls. We had those calls, but we just expected to have had 1,000 more calls and not 1,000 less. We're looking for answers. With everyone at home, that's a lot less people not commuting into the city and the casino was closed a lot of the time. I go back and forth on it. Everett is a working-class city and a lot of residents continued to go to work. Overall, I think a lot of people were not travelling through the city and a lot of our businesses were closed."

Everett Fire Union President Craig Hardy said once the pandemic hit, one of the issues with lower calls was the "fear factor." He said the Fire Department was busy, but the public was scared to call for help many times.

"This year with the pandemic I believe our call volume was down because many people were scared to call and didn't want us coming in the home," he said. "The fear factor was there. It was an anxious time and we changed a lot of how we do things with Chief Carli in order to protect the public and the firefighters as well."

The overall calls show a vast amount of medical calls, and an alarming rate of false alarms/good intent calls - those calls resulting in a response that eventually was determined not to be necessary. Actual fire suppression calls were at 2 percent of the total calls for service, with 130 - a number that continues to go down, he said. The calls were as follows:

- Fire - 130 (2 percent)
- Ruptured Line - 0
- Medical Aid - 3,711 (66 percent)
- Hazardous Conditions - 215 (4 percent)
- Service Calls - 271 (5 percent)
- Good Intent Calls - 510 (9 percent)
- False Alarm - 760 (13 percent)
- Severe Weather/Natural Disaster - 2 (less than 1 percent)
- Special Incident Type - 33 (1 percent)

More than anything, the numbers are further proof for Chief Carli that an in-house ambulance/med service is critical to the survival of the Fire Department. Already, Mayor Carlo DeMaria and Chief Carli have begun a pilot to bring on 20 new fire personnel that would start by getting EMT certification and riding an ambulance while preparing to enter the Fire Academy. In the end, they would be full firefighter personnel, but also be specialized to staff and respond with an ambulance service. It's a transformation the chief said is coming and long overdue.

"This is about looking at the numbers and the City and realizing if we don't get into the medical now, it's going to be difficult to keep these numbers of firefighters on," he said. "We need these firefighters and we can't lose them. As a whole, the Fire Service is getting to the point where they embrace it more. In 2020, 66 percent of our calls are medical and we have to do something. We have a good partner in Catal-

do. We need to take this chance to see if we can help them and provide a better product for the taxpayers. The numbers don't lie and I think we can do this. Today it's 66 percent of the calls, but in the near future it could easily be 90 percent."

The chief said all 20 new EMT/Firefighter personnel will be brought on in April. They will get certified as EMT's fire, and five already have that certification. In the meantime, they will be on the list for the Massachusetts Fire Academy training, and those certified as EMTs will begin riding the new ambulance service. He said they believe they will be able to send five to the Academy in July - with others going when spots open up.

"We have to change and transition with the times and figure out the services we provide to the city," he said. "These (new firefighters) will be on the line eventually doing fire suppression and EMT work as we try to transition."

Hardy said the Fire Union isn't against the idea of an ambulance in-house, and actually recommended the plan several years ago. However, he said there are a lot of things to work out before these new firefighters show up at a station for work.

"We go to every 9-1-1 medical call in the city and I've been on 23 years and it's always been predominately medicals," said Hardy. "The chief has said we're not a progressive union but we believe we are progressive and we have recommended the ambulance for a long time...Now the City really wants to do it and we're for it, but we need to negotiate it...We want to make sure it's done right. We're all for it but we want to go over all the hiccups because it's a big change."

One key point, he said, would be staffing. He said the new 20 firefighter/medical personnel only bring the contingent up to where it's supposed to be now - at around 100. He said they still would need several more to staff the new ambulance and the fire suppression services too.

**GLSS STAFF HELPING DURING PANDEMIC**

LYNN - For many people who work at Greater Lynn Senior Services (GLSS) helping others - especially those in need - is simply part of their DNA. But willingly doing so in the midst of a global pandemic says something special about GLSS staff. "I have been at GLSS for almost a year now, and during that time, I have witnessed so many acts of caring and compassion among our staff," said Kathryn C. Burns, MHA, Chief Executive Officer. "As I have said before, it continually reaffirms for me my decision to join this incredible organization."

During the past year, GLSS staff have delivered Meals on Wheels, organized toy drives, brought food to local shelters, distributed Thanksgiving and Christmas meals, gave out Grab & Go meals and bags of groceries, and so much more. So it came as no surprise to learn recently that many GLSS staff are assisting the City of Lynn with its vaccination efforts.

"Throughout the pandemic, consumer, clinical, and protective services staff have gone above and beyond to stay connected with our consumers, and, at this critical time, everyone is doing their part to help people get vaccinated," said Holly Jarrell-Marcinelli, Director of Consumer Services. "Both our nursing and supportive housing staff have jumped in to support vaccine clinic operations in the city of Lynn."

On several recent Fridays, Rosemary Durant, RN, GLSS' Nurse Manager, has assisted in preparing vaccines for administration at the Lynn Tech Fieldhouse site on Neptune Boulevard. "There were many volunteers from both the community and the Lynn Community Health Center directing consumers and answering questions," she stated. "The Lynn Fire Department was out in full force and was a big help." The following week, Rosemary was joined by GLSS Home Care nurse Carolyn Coan-Andrews, RN.

Rosemary noted that the entire process from registration to vaccination seemed organized and ran smoothly. The City of Lynn anticipated administering 520 vaccines that day; however, due to the Governor's decision to allow companions and caregivers under 75 to also be vaccinated, the total vaccines administered was probably closer to 600. The City plans to add evening hours with the goal of vaccinating 1,000 people per day.

Recently Paula Gonzalez, RN, and Nurse Supervisor Michelle Syed, RN, volunteered for what was the busiest clinic yet, with over 750 people being vaccinated. "It is really our honor and privilege to be able to do this," Michelle said.

Staff who work at Supportive Housing Sites in Lynn also worked with the City's Board of Health and Housing Authority to offer vaccination clinics. Maloney Properties, which manages St. Theresa House and St. Mary's Plaza, partnered with CVS to vaccinate approximately 90 residents, administering both shots over the course of four clinics with assistance from Program Manager Maureen Teal and SCO GSSC Grecia Paradis. Working with the Lynn Board of Health and Simon Properties, Resident Services Coordinator (RSC) Iliana Arzola organized a clinic at Silsbee Tower Apartments, where approximately 60 elders received the first vaccine. (The second dose is scheduled for March.) Eligible residents of neighboring Lynn Housing Authority properties were invited to attend, and RSC Acie Johnson and Home Care Case Manager Mariana Zorin provided support. "I am so grateful to Simon Properties for opening its doors to the residents of nearby McGee House and Olive Street," Maureen stated. "Residents at those sites were delighted to be included."

GLSS staff are helping in all sorts of interesting ways. Liz Bulkeley, Moeun Him, and Joey Sawyer-Shaw are currently working on a series of educational videos about the safety and efficacy of the vaccines in conjunction with the Lynn Community Health Center. Throughout the pandemic, the Media Team has been creating videos to assist in

educating staff, consumers, and the general public about COVID-19 and developing programming like Kelly's Corner and GLSS TV to reduce stress and isolation.

"This year has really shined a spotlight on the dedication, commitment, and caring of our staff under the most difficult circumstances," Kathy Burns said. "All these highly visible efforts really showcase to the wide community the character and compassion of our agency."

**NEW PROJECT ON SCHEDULE**

WINTHROP - The development project at 10 Somerset Ave. is well underway and on schedule. Abatement of the building was completed before March 1 and demolition of the structure started last week and will continue throughout the month. At this time, the demolition crew is focusing on gently removing the facade of the front of the building.

Procopio Companies, the developer of the project, has just received the foundation and building permits and will continue to work with Town officials, not only to coordinate construction activities on his site, but also, to coordinate with P. Gioioso & Sons, Inc., contractor for the Center Business District to ensure that both projects move forward simultaneously and without disruption. The Center Business District deals with infrastructure improvements.

Ground improvement and foundation work for the new building will commence in April following demolition and debris cleanup.

Suzanne Martucci, of Winthrop Book Depot on Somerset Ave., commenting on the new building said, "We're really excited to see work starting. And we're happy with how well the demolition is going, it's very methodical and safe and honestly pretty fascinating to watch."

The new building will be home to 29 apartments with a first floor commercial store front and 25 parking spots.

According to Town Manager Austin Faison, Center Business District construction will begin again on March 22.

**FOOTBALL OPENER CANCELED**

WINTHROP - The Winthrop High football team will have to wait one more week to start its season as Friday's scheduled opener against Peabody has been canceled due to a Peabody player having been in direct contact with the coronavirus.

Winthrop head coach Jon Cadigan said he was notified by Peabody officials on Tuesday about the health situation in the Peabody program.

Winthrop had been practicing in preparation for the kickoff to the regular season and had competed in a scrimmage against Marblehead last Thursday.

"As you can imagine it's pretty disappointing right now, but I guess these are the times we're living in," said Cadigan. "We've been preparing the last couple of weeks getting ready for this game and watching Peabody on film. We're trying to get over that disappointment and move on."

## LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

### OSILAMA ACCEPTED TO PROGRAM

The HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN) has notified Eshiemomoh Osilama of Revere, a member of Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine's MD Class of 2024, that he has been accepted to its highly competitive Research and Mentorship Program (RAMP), a scholar program for African American/Black and Latinx medical students.

As just one of five RAMP Scholars, Osilama will spend 8 to 10 weeks this summer working on an HVTN research project, "Get2PrEP3.0: An Initiative to Reduce Missed Opportunities for the Provision of HIV Prevention Services for Patients Testing Positive for STIs."

The research is taking place at Columbia University in New York City. Its goal is to work on novel ways to prevent and treat HIV infection. As part of the research unit, Osilama will have the opportunity to work with an interdisciplinary research team that includes clinician-scientists, epidemiologists, social scientists, and community outreach. This project aims to improve the provision of HIV prevention services for patients who test positive for sexually transmitted infections and those at risk of HIV infection. Osilama's work will include chart review and data abstraction to identify the provision of HIV prevention services and communication with providers as part of delivering the intervention, data analysis, and report of outcomes including rates

of PrEP prescriptions and referrals. The project is intended to yield a research paper for a peer-reviewed journal.

"I am so honored to have been selected for the program," Osilama said. "I do believe, in many ways, who I am, at this particular stage in my life, represents the face of HIV in this country and across the globe. I have firsthand understanding of the nuanced ways the lifestyles and cultures of queer people, people of color and immigrants are hyper- (or hypo-) medicalized. Although I am not yet sure what type of medicine I want to go into, I believe that RAMP will expose me to how the different components of medicine and research function together for the overall wellness of a patient or a community. The underrepresentation of queer people and POCs in medicine functions as an added barrier to providing adequate care to those individuals. For this reason, I believe it is especially important that I proactively engage opportunities with implications that serve those communities directly. In this way, RAMP would serve as a foundation for me to integrate my personal identities with my role as a scientist and physician in the future."

Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine (Geisinger Commonwealth) is a member of the Geisinger family. Geisinger Commonwealth offers a community-based model of medical education with campuses in Danville, Doylestown, Scranton, Sayre and Wilkes-Barre. Geisinger Commonwealth

offers Doctor of Medicine (MD) and a portfolio of graduate degrees. The school's innovative curriculum, focused on caring for people in the context of their lives and their community, attracts the next generation of physicians and scientists from within its region in northeastern and north central Pennsylvania, as well as from across the state and the nation. Geisinger Commonwealth is committed to non-discrimination in all employment and educational opportunities.

### AMRANE NAMED TO EMERSON DEAN'S LIST

Sabrina Amrane, a native of Revere, has been named to Emerson College's Dean's List for the Fall 2020 semester. Amrane is majoring in Journalism and is a member of the Class of 2021. The requirement to make Emerson's Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher.

Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups.

Emerson is known for

its experiential learning programs in Los Angeles, Washington, DC, the Netherlands, London, China, and the Czech Republic as well as its new Global Portals, with the first program launching this fall in Paris. The College has an active network of 51,000 alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

### GONZALEZ NAMED TO DEANS' LIST AT BRYANT UNIVERSITY

Bryant University is pleased to recognize the students who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement. Liza Gonzalez, class of 2023, from Revere, has been named to the Deans' List for the fall 2020 semester.

"The challenges of the last year have revealed the character and grit of our community of scholars," said Provost and Chief Academic Officer Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M., reflecting on Bryant's successful fall semester. "I am impressed and proud of their resilience, dedication, and innovative spirit."

Congratulations to Liza on this outstanding achievement!

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### URI STUDENTS NAMED TO THE 2020 DEAN'S LIST

The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the Fall 2020 Dean's List. The students represent nearly all of Rhode Island's cities and towns, all six New England states, New York and New Jersey, and many other states and countries. The following students were named to Dean's List:

- Lauren Albanese
- Meriele Goaga

To be included on the Dean's List, full-time students must have completed 12 or more credits for letter grades during a semester and achieved at least a 3.30 quality point average. Part-time students qualify with the accumulation of 12 or more credits for letter grades earning at least a 3.30 quality point average.

As a public Land Grant University in a highly competitive region in the United States, URI carefully monitors and manages its tuition and fee rates to remain one of the most affordable universities in the Northeast for both in-state and out-of-state students. An estimated 90% of undergraduate students

receive annual financial aid and institutional support.

The University's total fall 2020 enrollment of 17,649 students comprises 15,393 full- and part-time undergraduate students, including 748 pharmacy six-year professional practice, and 2,256 full- and part-time graduate students. About 52% of the total student body is from Rhode Island and 48% are from out of state or foreign countries. The student body includes students from 48 U.S. states and territories, and 67 nations.

The University of Rhode Island's pioneering research in ocean, environmental and health sciences extends the University's influence well beyond its coastal borders, while its interdisciplinary courses provide students with unique opportunities and experiences.

Over the last ten years, the University has completed more than \$710 million in capital projects, including new construction, and renovation and rehabilitation of existing buildings across its four campuses. The University's campus locations, include the main campus, located on 1,248 acres in rural Kingston, the Graduate School of Oceanography, located on 165 acres on Narragansett Bay, the W. Alton Jones Campus in West Greenwich, a 1,200-acre nature preserve, the Alan Shawn Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies and the Rhode Island Nursing Education Center, both in the capital city of Providence, R.I.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L.C. 190B, §5-304  
Docket No. SU20P2141GD  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 788-8300  
In the matter of: Victoria T. Vo  
Of: Revere, MA  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Vivian T. Vo of Revere, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Victoria T. Vo is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.  
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for

certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 04/01/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.  
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 17, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo  
Register of Probate  
3/17/21  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

A-21-10  
Public Hearing  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing via Zoom on Wednesday evening, March 24, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. on the application of JEK Enterprises, LLC, Attn: Josef Koch, 7 Franklin St., Revere, MA 02151 appealing from the decision of the Inspector of Buildings of the City of Revere respecting the determination as to the current use of 7 Franklin Street, Revere, MA 02151 as set forth in the Order to Correct dated January 19, 2021 and states in pertinent part: "Neither the NB zone nor any asserted grandfathered use of the property supports any of the structures or premises being utilized for a 24/7 business operation, particularly with the movement of and noise generated from large vehicles and construction material". Please use the link below to join the hearing: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86827456704>

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Telephone: US: +1 301 715 8592  
Webinar ID: 868 2745 6704

A copy of the aforementioned proposed plan and application (A-21-10) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:15 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and Friday from 8:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M.  
Ashley E. Melnik, Clerk City of Revere  
Zoning Board of Appeals  
3/10/21, 3/17/21  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

A-21-12  
Public Hearing  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing via Zoom on Wednesday evening, March 24, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. on the application of Davide De Gruttola, 62 Festa Rd., Revere, MA 02151 requesting a variance of Section 17.24.010 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere with respect to minimum front yard setback to enable the

appellant to construct a second story addition on Lot 15 at 62 Festa Rd., Revere, MA 02151. Please use the link below to join the hearing: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86827456704>  
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT  
Suffolk Division  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT  
Docket No. SU515674  
Estate of: Berge J.

Margossian  
A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Barbara N. Margossian of Saugus, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a determination of heirs at law and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 04/01/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.  
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 19, 2021  
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Notice is hereby given by G/J Towing Inc of 22 Whitin 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 March 25, 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.  
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Docket No. SU20P1634EA  
Estate of: Jean V. Fornari  
Date of Death: May 23, 2020  
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Gary F. Fornari of Plymouth, MA. A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Gary F. Fornari of Plymouth, 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,

### LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
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Suffolk Division  
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

can be obtained from the Petitioner.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Legal Notice  
Notification is hereby given that JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 1111 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240 has filed an application with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC") on or about March 17, 2021, as specified in 12 CFR Part 5, for permission to establish a domestic branch at the northeast corner of the intersection of US Route 1 and Squire Road (aka Route 60), Revere, Suffolk County, MA 02151. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Licensing Manager, Large Banks Licensing Operations, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20219 within 30 days of the date of this publication. The public portion of the filing is available upon request from the OCC. The public may find information about the filing (including the closing date of the comment period) in the OCC's Weekly Bulletin available at [www.occ.gov](http://www.occ.gov).  
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# Boston introduces digital democracy ordinance

## ACLU backs effort to increase remote participation

Staff report

The ACLU of Massachusetts has announced its support for a Boston proposal to increase remote access for all public meetings, permanently establishing virtual participation options that have boosted resident engagement during the pandemic. Filed last week by Boston City Councilors Lydia Edwards and Liz Breadon, the ordinance would make local government more accessible to all Boston residents.

“Local democracy works best when all of us are able to engage,” said Carol Rose, executive director of the ACLU of Massachusetts. “Providing Bostonians with the option to remotely participate in city government meetings makes local government more accessible for residents with disabilities, and those who may not have access to reliable transportation, have caretaking responsibilities, or are unable to take a leave of absence from work, among other daily challenges. We commend Councilor Edwards and Councilor Breadon for their leadership and their commitment to expanding and deepening resident engagement with the demo-

cratic process.”  
 “The inaccessibility of most government meetings is a pre-pandemic inequity that we can’t go back to,” said Councilor Edwards. “One of the things I’m focusing on as we come out of the pandemic is ensuring government is as transparent and accessible as possible. Permanently allowing residents to participate virtually would make it easier for a wider range of voices to be heard and bring our city’s government one step closer to the standards residents expect from us.”

“Over the last year, we have seen productive local neighborhood meetings held entirely online,” said Councilor Breadon. “Digital access to government and civic meetings makes our city more democratic. We cannot miss this opportunity to bring in the voices of caregivers and others who are not able to attend in-person meetings.”

In order to ensure equitable access to open meetings, the proposed Boston ordinance would require public meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities and non-English speakers.

The ACLU also backs a legislative proposal that would update Massachusetts’ Open Meeting Law to guarantee that remote access to public meetings outlives the pandemic.

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## Northeast Voke carpentry students build a dugout

Staff report

Superintendent David DiBarri is pleased to share that Northeast Metro Tech carpentry students recently started building a baseball dugout at North Reading High School.

"This is the type of project that really fits in well with our mission and culture here at Northeast Metro Tech," Superintendent DiBarri said. "Our students are gaining experience in the field, on a fun project that gives directly back to their community."

"The great thing about career technical education and vocational education is the hands-on learning aspect," said Northeast Metro Tech's Vocational Dean Dave Fabrizio. "The opportunity for our students to build a structure like this not only benefits them, it also benefits

the town of North Reading and North Reading High School for years to come. The skills that our students are learning on a daily basis will enhance their career opportunities in the future."

The collaborative project between Northeast Metro Tech and North Reading High School has been in the works for several years. The dugouts were designed in 2019 by Connor Andrews, an alumni of Northeast Metro Tech's Drafting and Design program currently studying at the Wentworth Institute of Technology.

"As a member of the Northeast School Committee it makes me proud to be part of helping our communities with projects needed in their cities and towns," said Northeast Metro Tech School Committee Member Judith

Dyment. "I know our staff and students take pride when they are part of doing this as well and love to see their work completed and enjoyed by many. I enjoy watching our students completing the project at North Reading High school as I pass by knowing the joy it will bring to the high school students for many years!"

Initially, construction for the project was slated to begin in March 2020, but was ultimately postponed until this March due to the pandemic.

Approximately 35 juniors and seniors in Northeast Metro Tech's carpentry program began working on the project on March 2. Students are being overseen by their instructors Armen Khodavardian, the site manager, and Bob Calla, carpentry instructor, and are work-

ing on the project five days a week. Students and staff hope to complete the project this spring.

"During the pandemic, it is important that I get hands-on training," said Gloria Lanzi, a senior and Malden resident. "It is important to get out and learn different skills. I especially like this project because it is a structure that will be used and enjoyed by others."

Students participating in the project have the opportunity to practice hands-on skills including measuring, layout work, cutting, leveling, drilling, fastening, assembling, framing, exterior trim, erecting scaffolding and roofing.

Northeast Metro Tech's carpentry program has participated in similar projects previously with area baseball fields as well.



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From left: Instructor Armen Khodavardian; Emmanuel Gil, a senior of Revere; Esaw Solis, a senior, of Saugus; and Christopher Quinom, a senior, of Chelsea.

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