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# Cocoran, Chelsea Housing face critical vote at **Council Monday**

By Seth Daniel

The Innes Street/Central Avenue housing redevelopment plan has cleared its latest hurdle with the Planning Board, but will face a critical vote Monday night at Council on whether or not to allow them to have a '40R' zoning designation.

The Council will consider the special zoning designation, which allows the mixed-income project to have its own, special regulations for parking and density and other requirements. At the same time, it also unlocks \$5 million in state and local funding.

"It's a critical vote," said Chelsea Housing Authority (CHA) Director Al Ewing. "That is a very important 'yes' or 'no.' If we don't get it, this project dies. It is our use it or lose it moment."

The mixed-income development is in partnership with Corcoran Development, which will assist in developing the 330-unit community on the site of the current housing development. Those units will include the existing 96 public housing units, as well as 40 workforce housing units. The remaining 194 units will be market rate, and with the state and federal grants, will subsidize the replacement of the public housing units. Overall, the development would have a 41 percent affordable ratio, which is three times as much as what would normally be required by the City and double the state requirements.

It seems like a huge moment for residents like Jean Fulco, who is part of the Innes Residents Alliance (IRA).

"This will be a much better situation for the people

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# Three Chelsea **Jewish Residences Awarded CMS Five-Star Rating**

Staff Report

For the second consecutive year, three Chelsea Jewish Lifecare (CJL) skilled nursing facilities have received the prestigious Five-Star Quality Rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

This designation reflects the highest number of stars allotted to a skilled nursing facility. Currently, there are a select number of nursing homes that have been awarded this distinction.

"We are pleased that all our skilled nursing residences have once again been recognized as being among the top nursing homes not only in Massachusetts, but throughout the country," states Chelsea Jewish Lifecare President Adam Berman. "Earning this Five-Star designation is a testament to our skilled and compassionate staff, our strong commitment to excellence and our dedication as an organization to provide the highest caliber of care possible."

The CJL homes include the Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home

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Bob Doherty used his snow blower to clear the sidewalks in front of his Chelsea home on Monday morning. A late winter storm dumped between 10 and 11 inches of snow on Chelsea Sunday night - leaving a winter wonderland for residents to wake up to on Monday. See Page 6 for more photos.

# Simon a Diamond on the track

# Chelsea High junior star heads to national meet

By Seth Daniel

At a certain point, it would be wise to just leave the Chelsea High record books in girls' track blank until junior Stephanie Simon graduates.

The champion jumper, runner and hurdler tends to break most school records, and then break her own records time and time again. At a certain point, her coaches say, they will probably fill it all in after she graduates.

Simon, 16, comes from a strong athletic family - and her sister, Martine - is the only runner to have ever beat her in a meet. Now, she has focused in on jumping events and has put together a string of wins during the indoor season this winter.

Recently, she took first place in the Division 2 state long jump, and took second place in the New England Championship meet. Earlier this year, at the multi-state Dartmouth Relays, she took first in the long jump and high

This weekend, she will travel to New York City for the second year in a row to compete in the National Championship indoor meet.

But back in Chelsea, if you see a young lady cutting it up on a skateboard, that might be Stephanie Simon.

When I'm not training or



Chelsea High junior Stephanie Simon is putting together another outstanding indoor track season this year, and will head to the National Championship meet in New York this weekend. When she's not on the track, though, one might find her weaving in and out of the streets on her skateboard.

practicing, I like to ride a penny board," she said. "I ride it everywhere, even to school. I think that's why I can jump. I think that's something every jumper has to have to be successful and that is being able to take a risk. You have to be willing to take a risk to throw yourself in a pit of sand or give it everything you have to flop up and over the high jump bar. It's the adrenaline I



Simon was born in Chelsea to Hubert and Mathilde Simon, who originally came from Haiti. Her older brother, Norbert, was also a track standout, as was her sister, Martine, who graduated last year. She said her younger brother, Emanuel, has poten-

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# Chelsea Collaborative creating pathways to rewarding Encore Boston Harbor careers

Special to the Record

Chelsea Collaborative staff members are busy helping residents prepare for rewarding career opportunities at Encore Boston Harbor, slated to open in Everett this June. Encore Boston Harbor, the first five-star urban gaming resort in the U.S, plans to hire over 5,000 workers for a range of rewarding hospitality careers. For more information, visit encorebostonjobs.com.

More than 175 career-seekers participated in workshops in recent weeks alone on resume writing and how

to create a Skillsmart profile. Skillsmart is a portal that helps match peoples' interests with positions at Encore Boston Harbor. "We are proud to create pathways to better paying positions, so our residents can achieve better economic mobility, and don't have to work two jobs just to make ends meet for them and their families," said Sylvia Ramirez, Workforce Development Manager at Chelsea Collaborative.

Chelsea Collaborative is part of Encore Boston Harbor's community action network. Encore Boston Harbor

is committing \$10 million over the next four years to support a wide range of social programs and civic institutions that will help those in need and improve the lives of residents in local communities.

Chelsea Collaborative is leading the Chelsea 500 coalition, which mission is to engage the City, businesses, and local non-profits to create a workforce pipeline so that 500+ residents can gain the skills and support necessary to apply for positions at

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# Corcoran, residents sign Letters of Assurance for return

By Seth Daniel

In a move to show that they are committed to keeping residents in their homes, the Corcoran company and Chelsea Housing Authority (CHA) have been signing Letters of Assurance with residents to legally ensure they can return to their unit after it is redeveloped into a new mixed-income community.

"We started signing those with residents about two weeks ago," said CHA Director Al Ewing. "We wanted everyone to see that there is a commitment from us."

Added Sean McReynolds of Corcoran, "It was important for us the residents see we're committed to having them return. That is something that

is usually done much further down the line. We wanted to do it now anyway so people felt confident that commitment is there."

Melissa Booth of the Innes Residents Association (IRA) said many residents are relieved by the Letter, and the Association has been passing it around in English and Spanish to get as many residents signed as possible.

"They're very relieved because the suspicion is the developers would go in and move the families and not let them back in," she said. "We've been working really hard and trying to reassure everyone. No one wants to leave the place that they've been living so long.'

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# Council President says she will bring back non-citizen voting measure

By Seth Daniel

A small order on the Feb. 25 Council agenda likely didn't attract a lot of attention at the regular meeting, but Council President Damali Vidot said she had hoped it could have sparked a conversation.

That measure, which she introduced, revolved around looking at the possibility of allowing non-citizens that are here legally to vote in municipal elections.

Instead, she said, she was greeted with silence – and a no' vote.

"We have people investwn homes, have kids in the but because they are citizens, they can't vote in our elections," she said. "Why not have a conversation about al-

lowing them to vote? The fact my colleagues didn't want to at least have a conversation is a travesty.'

The roll call consisted of a 5-6 defeated vote, with Vidot and Councillors Judith Garcia, Yamir Rodriguez, Enio Lopez and Giovanni Recupero agreeing to begin talking about it.

Those voting against were Councillor Roy Avellaneda, Calvin Brown, Joe Perlatonda, Luis Tejada, Leo Robinson and Bob Bishop.

Vidot said she fully intends to bring the matter back in 90

days "I don't understand why ed in our community, who we couldn't entertain this, to allow people to be part of the schools and own businesses, civic process," she said. "At the minimum, I thought we could have a conversation. If

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# **CAPIC's fuel assistance program** provides a vital service to residents

Under the leadership of Executive Director Robert Reppucci, Community Action Programs Inter City (CAPIC) has been a national model in addressing the needs of low-income families in Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop.

CAPIC's fuel assistance program has been one of its most utilized services, aiding more than 2,700 residents in the three communities.

Since his appointment last July as energy director, Giancarlo DeSario has overseen the program that is in its sixth decade of existence. The recent addition of well-known Chelsea community leader Henry Wilson as an outreach coordinator has also helped expande the program and

bring recognition to the valuable services CAPIC provides in many areas.

DeSario explained the process by which residents can apply for fuel assistance.

"If someone finds themselves in need - whether they're a tenant, homeowner, family or single person – they should call the CAPIC fuel assistance line to set up an appointment," said DeSario. "We would conduct an interview with the individual and review all their paperwork. We'll let them know if we need additional information and then we'll process their application in about 30-45 days."

Candidates for fuel assistance must meet some income

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Giancarlo DeSario, energy director, meets with Henry Wilson, outreach coordinator, at a planning session inside CAPIC headquarters on Everett Avenue.

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guidelines.

"In order to qualify for fuel assistance, you need to be at 60 per cent of the state median income, which for a single person would be \$35,510; for a family of four people, it would be \$68,280," said De-

CAPIC's program covers heating expenses between the months of November and

According to DeSario, the fuel assistance program is funded through federal and state grants. CAPIC is currently waiting for a supplemental budget to be approved by the state.

"What we're looking for is \$30 million extra dollars in funding to help out with this heating season, but we're looking closer to receiving \$11 million," said DeSario. He indicated that CAPIC has been working with Chelsea's state legislators to secure additional funding.

DeSario has made a point during his tenure to "get out in the field" and meet individual clients. He has earned praise for his accessibility.

"I'm always available - I hand out my direct extension to clients all the time," said DeSario. "I find it's really important that if you're going to serve clients correctly, you have to be in touch with them and understand their needs."

### **DeSario** has local roots

Giancarlo DeSario grew up in Maine, but he has always had local connections. "I've been coming to East Boston since I was a child. My mother (Yolanda DeSario) moved here from Italy when she was 10 years old. And my grandmother (Maria Caserta) has been living in East Boston for 50 years."

DeSario attended high school in Maine and graduat-

National

Days



Giancarlo DeSario, energy director at Community Action Programs Inter-City (CAPIC)

ed from Roger Williams University where he studied Business and Legal Studies.

He began his career in woodworking and was promoted to the position of project manager, working with clients in Manhattan and Long Island, New York.

From there, DeSario entered the solar industry as a district site surveyor and rose through the company to become operations manager, overseeing several projects throughout the New England region.

DeSario came to CAPIC last July. "I saw a position was open and I applied for it. I was ready to go back to my old job when I got a call from Executive Director Robert Repucci, requesting that I come in for an interview."

Like the entire staff at CAPIC and residents throughout the area, DeSario has come to appreciate Repucci's exceptional leadership of the agency. Repucci arrived at CAPIC in 1972 and has been of Chelsea's most influential and revered leaders.

"Mr. Repucci is an outstanding leader of CAPIC and in the community as a whole," said DeSario. "He

really pushes you to be a better person. He's inspiring. He wants you to put people ahead of yourself, and you can tell, because he does that. He leads by example and I respect that about him."

DeSario has also been impressed by the dedicated and knowledgeable staff at CAPIC.

"I was fortunate to come in to an agency where we have some really key players who know the programs in and out," said DeSario. "The transition in to this industry was tough, because you don't know it - but I was lucky to have a very good support group here to help out. They really care about the programs succeeding.'

DeSario said he finds his job rewarding and he appreciates the kind words from clients.

"There is nothing better than when we get a letter (of gratitude) or a phone call from a client who had no heat and we were able to restore a heating system that went out overnight, replace a heating system with a new one, or weatherize someone's home," said DeSario.

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I had known there would be this reaction from my colleagues, I would have organized before. I have every intention of bringing it back again in 90 days. We can't be in the habit of saying 'no' without talking about it.'

Other cities in Massachusetts have voted to allow non-citizens to vote, including Cambridge and Brookline. Such a petition by the Council would require a home rule petition by the State Legislature. It would also require

legislative action by the State House as well.

The measure in Chelsea would not allow non-citizens to vote in state or federal elections.

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Encore Boston Harbor. While Chelsea 500 capitalizes on the casino opening, its longerterm ambition is to build local workforce development capacity to improve Chelsea residents' odds of securing employment in the near term, and to work with industry leaders to help diversify the employment options. Members of the coalition include City of Chelsea, Chelsea Collaborative, TND/Connect, Chelsea Housing Authority, Chelsea Recreation and Cultural Affairs Division, Bunker Hill Community College, Casino Action Network.



The Collaborative's Sylvia Ramirez shown helping an applicant get enrolled for an interview with Encore Boston Harbor, which is in the midst of hiring 5,000 people for 500 different job types. The casino will have a second massive hiring event at Boston's Hynes Convention Center on March 17 and 18

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tial in the 200 sprint.

She attended the Early Learning Center, the Berkowitz School, the Clark Avenue Middle School and has settled in at Chelsea High - where she keeps a 3.4 grade point average and is active in academics.

But her cool demeanor likely comes from having to contain herself on the track. Unlike with the sprints – where she also has great success within the conference meets – she said she has learned that a jumper (whether high jump, long jump or triple jump) needs to stay in control.

"Adrenaline is good for running, but for jumping you have to kind of put it in a bottle and use it to motivate you and counter it with tech-

nique," she said. "For jumping and sprints, unlike distance running, it's half mental and half physical."

It will be a very important quality when she arrives at the New York City Armory this weekend with her coach, Cesar Hernandez. Last year was her first indoor national meet, and she said it was overwhelming.

"Last year, stepping into that building was so overwhelming," she said, noting that there hasn't been another Chelsea runner since Bobby Goss decades ago to go to nationals. "Every runner there was working hard and wanted to win. I didn't do so well, but it made me even more determined to do better at the national outdoor meet in North Carolina last spring and I did."

mouth Relays earlier this year, she said that same New York feeling came upon her, but she was able to shake it off, which is something she said she will do when she goes back to New York this week.

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"The re-development would

be so much better because the

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Resident Melissa Booth,

not very good."

since grade school.

"My freshman year I didn't even run that first season," she said. "I liked soccer. I was able to make varsity my freshman year. In the winter, I played basketball. Then I did outdoor track and I was really good at it. In track, there was so much support and it was like a big family. My freshman year I was trying to figure everything out. Everyone kept telling me I had more potential in track. I listened to them and I'm glad I stayed."

Simon credited Coach Hernandez with helping her take bigger and bigger steps as a runner and, especially, as a jumper. As a raw athlete, she had talent, but she said Hernandez helped her to develop technique and pushed her not to just rely on athleticism.

"If he wasn't my coach, I would not be doing what I'm doing," she said. "He fits the kind of coach I need."

She also credited her teammates for being a great support system.

She also credited her fami-"I told myself it's the same ly, who she said has been very proud of her academically and in sports.

"In our family, everyone Amazingly, Simon was has their thing they are best

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Housing/Continued from Page 1 who are there now," she said. with giving them the 40R so they can move forward, but when their Tax Incremental Financing comes up, I will let them know that I will not sup-

also of the IRA, said she has a special needs child who cannot walk up the stairs, but they live on the second floor now. "I usually have to carry my

child up the stairs because there isn't an elevator," she said.

The new development is slated to have an elevator.

But one of the strangleholds in this second goaround of the mixed-income redevelopment - which had to be backed off two years ago – is parking. There are 226 spaces available on site, and another 50 spaces will be located off-site nearby.

Council President Damali Vidot said she does support the project, but she also lives in the area and understands that parking is already a mess. She said they have worked out a potential plan where the market rate units will not be able to apply for a residential parking sticker. "Everyone says that these

people who will live here will take the Silver Line and not have a car," she said. "Let's see them prove that. I'm ok

port the project unless they will enter into an agreement with the market rate tenants to not participate in the residential parking program."

She said the decision is a tough one for the Council. While many have reservations, they also want to help the public housing residents improve their lives.

"I'm not in love with the project, but I know everyone is trying to do their best," she said. "These 96 families deserve to live in dignity. I have family that lives there and no one should live in those conditions...If this is what I have to do to preserve the units for these 96 families, then we don't have a choice really."

Over the last several weeks, the IRA and the CHA and Corcoran have been pounding the pavement. They have had coffee hours, done personal outreach and have launched a website.

"We are in a competitive process and if this doesn't get approved for whatever reason, Chelsea will not realize this opportunity," said Sean McReynolds of Corcoran.

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# **NEWS** Briefs By SETH DANIEL

## **BLACK HISTORY** MONTH SNOW DATE

The Chelsea Black Community (CBC) had to cancel its major event last Thursday, Feb. 28. Instead, they will hold it later this month.

•Weds., March 13 – Black History Month Celebration, 5-8 p.m. Williams Middle School. Honoring Chelsea Trailblazers and keynote speaker District Attorney Rachael Rollins. Dinner will be served.

# DOWNTOWN FAÇADE **PROGRAM**

Draft ordinances are now before the City Council and Planning Board with recommended changes to signage regulations and new proposed provisions for outdoor dining in the downtown.

The Planning Board will hold a hearing on March 26 to review the ordinances.

The revised signage regulations detail the variety of sign types businesses desire, including creative use of the sign band (that is, the main sign over the business entrance), awnings that include the business name or a descriptor, window graphics, signage for businesses in the upper stories, projecting (sometimes also called blade) signs and sidewalk signs. Chelsea's existing regulations currently limit businesses to just a single sign that is flat on the façade. The proposed ordinances provide a definition for each sign type and address the size and proportion, materials and techniques, and lighting and maintenance for signage.

The goal of the ordinances, along with the companion Broadway Façade Guidelines, is to encourage quality, durable, creative facades in the downtown that reflect the unique character of Chelsea. It seeks to preserve and celebrate the historic architectural design of downtown properties. The Guidelines and the ordinances themselves are intended to be easily understood and enforceable. The ultimate purpose is to make a more attractive and active downtown.

# GALLERY 456 **EVENTS**

As part of Chelsea's celebration of Black History Month, the Lewis Latimer Society presents an exhibit at Gallery 456 featuring three notable former city residents of African descent. See portraits of each notable Black resident of Chelsea's past at 456 Broadway, on display through the end of February.

Keep an eye out for these upcoming events at Gallery

•Empty Bowls, an exhibit by the Chelsea Hunger Network: March 4 to April 18

•Senior Art Show, presented by the Chelsea Senior Center: April 29 to June 3.

•2019 Year Book, presented by the Chelsea High School Year Book: June 3 through July 8. Opening reception Friday, June 7

•Photography One Person Show, the work of Matt Frank: July to August

# **UPPER BROADWAY MEETING**

The Department of Planning and Development and Department of Public Works are spearheading extensive infrastructure improvements on Broadway, from City Hall Avenue to Revere, with federal transportation funding. The Departments will hold a public hearing to receive input on the preliminary design of improvements and learn about the proposed construction schedule on March 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chelsea Public Library Auditorium. Please contact atrain@chelseama. gov or 617-466-4192 for more information.

# **REVALUATION IN** 2020

Pursuant to Massachusetts law, the City of Chelsea is required to conduct a comprehensive revaluation of all property in the City for Fiscal Year 2020, which begins on July 1, 2019. As part of this comprehensive revaluation, the Chelsea Assessor's Office must collect data on properties throughout Calendar Year 2019, including conducting interior inspections on a certain percentage of properties in the City. As a result, some property owners will be receiving letters requesting permission for such an interior inspection. When an assessor or a contractor working on behalf of the City to conduct such an inspection actually visits the property, you should ask to see their City issued ID. An assessor will ask only property-related questions. However, the assessor or contractor will never ask about personal information, immigration status, mortgage status, social security number or credit card information during an inspection. It is the City's goal to ensure that all properties are assessed fairly and equitably, so we ask for your cooperation during this

# Proposed 'T' hikes meet with outcry from commuters, elected officials

By Dan Murphy

A roomful of commuters and elected officials roundly rejected proposed MBTA fare hikes during a public meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the State Transportation Building in Boston.

Steve Poftak, general manager of the MBTA, outlined the increases, which would go into effect July 1 and raise fares an average of 6.3 percent system-wide.

Under the proposal, the cost of a local bus Charlie Card would increase to \$1.80 from \$1.70 while a subway Charlie Card would rise to \$2.40 from the current \$2.25. The monthly LinkPass, which provides unlimited bus and subway travel for one customer, would jump to \$90 from \$84.50, and a seven-day LinkPass would rise to \$22.50 from \$21.25.

The proposed fare increase would bring in \$32 million in additional revenue to help recoup losses against the budget shortfall of \$111 million projected for the next fiscal year.

The last hike came in July of 2016, which raised fares an average of 9.3 percent across the system, but since that time, the Legislature has passed a law limiting fare hikes to a maximum of 7 percent every two years.

After Poftak's opening remarks, City Councilor Michelle Wu presented T officials with a petition she circulated calling for unlimited year-round passes for seniors and children, as well as a lower fare for the city's poorest residents, which had already garnered 2,700 signatures by the time the meeting commenced.

"This moment in history demands aggressive action against the threats of income inequality and climate change," Wu said. "Sustainable, affordable, reliable public transit is fundamental to providing Boston residents with the greatest access to jobs, schools, and opportunities beyond their home neighborhoods."

State Rep. Adrian Madaro, who represents East Boston, read from a letter on behalf of the Boston Legislative Delegation urging the MBTA board of directors to hold off on fare hikes at this time.

"Public transportation is a vital resource for residents of Boston, and especially for low-income individuals, seniors and students who rely on MBTA service as their primary means of transportation," the letter read in part. "We realize fares bring needed revenue to the operations of our public transportation system, but understanding how higher fares affect these vulnerable populations is essential to striking the right balance between funding and public accessibility to transportation services. We believe that there needs to be a more in-depth discussion with the MBTA about the background and reasoning for this proposal prior to the imposition of any fare increase.

James White, chairman of MBTA Accessibility Advisory Committee for the past 18 years, advised against raising

fare until after planned improvements are made to the Red and Orange lines, including the replacement of both fleets by 2023.

In response to the MBTA's own projection that a fare hike would amount to a 1.3-percent loss in ridership, State Rep. Andy Vargas, who represents Haverhill, said, "At a time when we have increased ridership on the T, we should be doing everything we can to encourage that."

State Rep. Tommy Vitolo, who represents Brookline, took to the podium with a can of Arizona Iced Tea in hand.

"It costs 99 cents, says it right on the can," he said. "It has cost 99 cents for 18 years. What the good people of Arizona Iced Tea figured out is if you don't improve the quality of the tea, you don't raise the prices," Vitolo said before drinking from the can as the audience applauded him.

The fare increase would put an even bigger burden on commuters living outside the city as illustrated by statements from Egan Millard, a 27-year-old Weymouth resident who works in Cambridge and currently pays \$217.75 for his monthly commuter rail and subway pass.

"I, and I'm sure most T riders, already feel we're paying too much for such abysmal service," Millard said "Commuter rail service is so infrequent I have to plan my entire day and sometimes week around it. I have lost, at this point, days of my life on the T that I can't get back.'

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in Chelsea; the Jeffrey and Susan Brudnick Center for Living in Peabody; the Leonard Florence Center for Living in Chelsea, which is the country's first urban model Green House skilled nursing facility.

These residences offer both short-term rehabilitation services as well as long-term comprehensive care.

To receive a five-star rating, nursing homes are judged nal category involves quality maintain these five-star rat- the redeveloped Innes Apart- ed affordable housing units faith to residents and the comby three components. Health measures, which includes data ings. We are so proud of our ments," read the letter. inspections are one means of on how well nursing homes staff at each of the three resievaluating a residence. The are caring for their residents'

rating is based upon information from the last three years of onsite inspections, including both standard surveys and complaint surveys. Secondly, a rating is given based upon staffing, which details information about the number of hours of care provided on average to each resident each day by nursing staff and other healthcare providers. The fi-

physical and clinical needs.

Today the five-star rating system has become a critical tool for the public to measure the quality and performance of a skilled nursing facility. Nursing homes with five stars are considered well above average quality.

Adds CJL's Berman, "In reality, we work very hard, day in and day out, to achieve and dences."

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The document, signed by all parties, is about three pages long and clearly spells out what the residents will be entitled to when they return.

"JJC Co. and CHA assure that all Innes residents who are required to move for the redevelopment project will have the right to return to a newly constructed unit in

The two exceptions are if a household has been evicted before returning for serious offense, or if they have a large unit and state rules require them to go into a smaller unit than is available.

Also, it spells out that they will have the same units as the market rate residents.

"These newly constructwill be intermixed with marmunity.

ket-rate units," it read. "All units will be interchangeable with the same quality in all apartments including finishes and appliances such as washers and dryers."

Both said they hope to have everyone signed as soon as possible as an act of good



Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home Staff Celebrates Winning Quality Awards.

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# LET'S CLOSE THE LOOPHOLE IN STATE LAW TO END HUMAN **TRAFFICKING**

The recent national news stories concerning a massage parlor in Jupiter, Fla., have brought to light what is nothing less than a national abomination: The trafficking of women that reaches into every corner of the United States.

The news stories about this 21st century version of human bondage have made it clear that huge numbers of women, mostly Asian, are being trafficked in a multi-billion dollar sex trade operation under the guise of legitimate massage parlors.

Here in Massachusetts, it is estimated that there are 200-300 of these illicit "business" entities -- almost one for every city and town in the Commonwealth. Just this past week, police in the well-to-do community of Norwell came upon one of these places (which was located in an otherwise-ordinary mall) and, upon executing a search warrant, discovered conditions almost identical to what authorities found in Jupiter.

There were mattresses on the floor and other indicia of living that made it clear that those who worked there also were residing on the premises as prisoners of the operators of this establishment.

How can this situation -- sex slavery in which women from all around the world are being trafficked in our hometowns exist so openly in America in 2019? It seems to us there is a fairly simple solution to the problem

that can be accomplished with a small change in the law, at least here in Massachusetts, which is as follows: The signage on the front window of the Jupiter establishment

lists the following services: "Massage therapy, facials, waxing, table showers", and this one: "Body treatments." Massachusetts tightly regulates the massage therapy business

pursuant to chapter 112, section 228, which requires massage therapists to receive training and obtain a license. However, the last line of this statute exempts from the licens-

ing requirements "those who use the terms 'bodywork', 'bodyworker', and 'bodywork therapist'."

It's as if the traffickers themselves wrote this loophole into the law. The women who were found in the Norwell establishment (who, similar to the women in Jupiter, were Chinese citizens and spoke no English) when the police conducted the raid identified themselves as "bodyworkers" and as such did not require any licensing requirements either from the state or local authorities. It's as if they did not exist.

In our view, the solution is straightforward: Require every person (including receptionists) who works in these establishments to obtain a permit (as opposed to a license) in order to work there. Such persons would be required to register at the local Board of Health where they would have to appear in person, produce a valid ID, and provide their place of residence in order to get their permit.

Routine spot checks by the local boards would ensure that everyone working there has a valid permit from the local authority. If anyone is found working there without a permit, the business would be ordered closed forthwith and the managers, as well as the owners, would be subject to arrest and criminal penalties for employing persons without permits.

In our view, this small change in Massachusetts law, if emulated across the country, could go a long way toward ending the human trafficking business that is a national disgrace.

# MARCH: IN LIKE A LION

Just when all of us were counting the days to the beginning of spring -- known as the vernal equinox, which this year falls on Wednesday, March 20, at 5:58 p.m. -- Ol' Man Winter struck with a vengeance, bringing a double-snow storm this past weekend followed by frigid temperatures to start the week.

Up until the past two weeks, this winter season had been mostly underwhelming in the Greater Boston area in terms of both snowfall and temperature. However, in our lifetimes, this often has been the case: A January and February that have been fairly easy to take, only to be followed by a March that begins with brutal weather.

A quick peek at the 10-day forecast revealed that after the brief appearance of cold weather, temperatures will return to normal for this time of year through St. Patrick's Day.

The weather always has fallen into that category of what former Secretary of Defenee Donald Rumsfeld famously referred to as "known unknowns -- that is to say, we know there are some things we do not know."

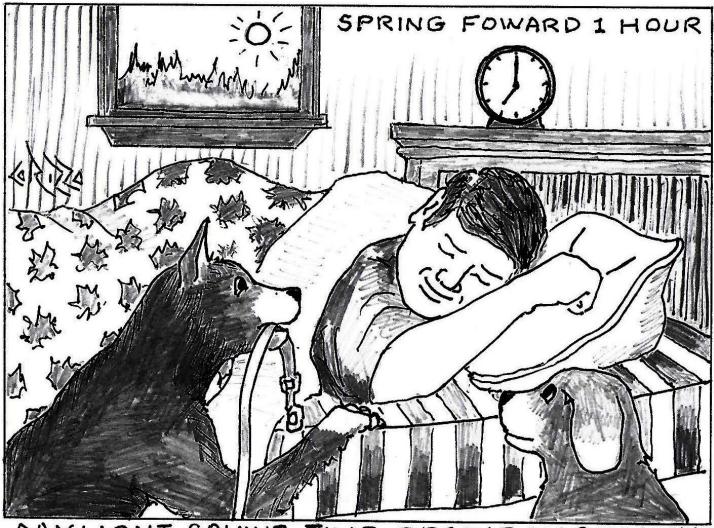
However, in this era of climate change, the other part of Rumsfeld's quote, "But there are also unknown unknowns—the ones we don't know we don't know," is applicable.

To put it another way, who knows what Mother Nature has in store for us these days? Perhaps more than anything else in our lives, we just have to take the weather one day at a time.

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# DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS MARCH 10

# **LETTERS** to the Editor

# ON DELEO'S **GREENWORKS PROPOSAL**

Dear Editor,

Speaker DeLeo's billion-dollar GreenWorks proposal could offer much-needed support to Winthrop, other coastal towns, and all

the Commonwealth's com- in carbon emissions that will munities as we face greater mitigate the larger problem? extremes of tides and weather. But as with any local distribution of grants, the details will matter. Will GreenWorks primarily help towns shore up their own local resilience to climate change? Or will the grants support reductions

Unless we stop adding more greenhouse gases to the atmosphere, adaptation will inevitably fall short.

So Mr. Speaker, as your GreenWorks plan advances through the House, why not also support the 100 percent

Renewable Energy bill? Let's address our local needs but also make sure we are doing our part as global citizens to reduce our overall carbon emissions. Full carbon neutrality as quickly as possible is the only sensible response to this urgent problem.

**Brent Whelan** 

# GUEST OP-ED

# National service makes local impact: AmeriCorps members are strengthening greater Boston communities

By Barbara Moffat and Emily Haber

In his inaugural address. President John F. Kennedy asked Americans what they could do for their country. Nearly 60 years later, thousands are answering that question by serving in AmeriCorps, a national service program administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service. Across Massachusetts, 2,400 AmeriCorps members are serving this year, addressing the Commonwealth's most pressing needs in the areas of education, health, workforce development, and the environment.

The week of March 10-16 is AmeriCorps Week, which celebrates the valuable contributions of the AmeriCorps members who pledge to "get things done" for America. In Massachusetts, AmeriCorps members are tutoring and mentoring at-risk youth pre-K through high school, expanding access to recovery and treatment services for those struggling with opioid addiction, preparing communities for natural disasters, teaching young people how to grow and cook nutritious foods, providing support services to refugees and immigrants, preserving and rehabilitating our forests and waters, and more.

This year, AmeriCorps members are serving at three locations in Chelsea. Two FoodCorps AmeriCorps members are at Healthy Chelsea, providing hands-on nutrition education to youth through growing, cooking, and eating healthy foods. An AmeriCorps member with the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy (MIRA) Coalition is assisting refugees and immigrants with job readiness, citizenship, and English language instruction at the Chelsea Collaborative. Phoenix Charter Academy in Chelsea has three AmeriCorps members serving as academic tutors and mentors for formerly out-of-school young adults.

Whether it's serving a year in a pre-K classroom or on the trails in our state parks, our dedicated AmeriCorps members are making lasting change in cities and towns all across this great Commonwealth. They are meeting local needs, they are developing leadership skills, and for many, they will choose to stay in Massachusetts after their year of service and remain active and engaged citizens making a difference in our communities every day," said

MSA CEO Emily Haber. AmeriCorps members in Massachusetts may receive a modest living allowance, student loan deferment, health insurance, childcare, and professional development. Members who successfully complete their service receive an educational award of up to \$6,095 to help pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay off student loans.

Since AmeriCorps began in 1994, more than 35,000 Massachusetts residents have served through the national service program, generating over \$1.13 billion in community impact. These AmeriCorps members have also earned \$63.2 million in education awards. Those interested in joining AmeriCorps can learn more at AmeriCorps. gov/join.

The Massachusetts Service Alliance, established in 1991, is a private, nonprofit organization that serves as the state commission on community service and volunteerism.

MSA invests in community-based organizations and institutions that rely upon volunteers and people engaged in service. Through investing, convening, advocating, and building capacity, MSA develops and supports programs like AmeriCorps that incorporate service and volunteerism as effective strategies to address the most pressing needs in the Commonwealth. To learn more about MSA's role across the state, visit www. mass-service.org.

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# **CHS** Roundup

# STEPHANIE SIMON FINISHES THIRD IN LONG-JUMP AT NEW **ENGLAND MEET**

Chelsea High track star Stephanie Simon competed at the New England Championships in the long jump last weekend and came home with a third-place medal. Stephanie jumped a personal record (PR) of 18'-4.5" on her final attempt that took her from sixth place to third, finishing as the highest-placing Massachusetts athlete in the girls'

long jump event, only behind competitors from Connecticut and Maine. Stephanie is set compete in both the long jump and the triple jump in the Emerging Elite category at the New Balance Indoor Nationals at the Armory in New York City tomorrow (Friday).

**BRUINS** Beat by Bob Morello

# Bruins maintain 'Streaker' Mode

Does it ever get boring? If you are asking that question to be answered by a Bruins fan regarding the team's current 16-game streak, the answer would surely be 'NO!' It's almost unthinkable that Boston has now gone a total of 16 games in which they've taken at least a single point out of each game. What has that earned them...at this moment, the second spot in the Atlantic Division, and the Eastern Conference, with a three-point lead over division rival Toronto Maple Leafs for home ice

Tuesday night the Bruins hosted the Carolina Hurricanes, and earned a 4-3 overtime win, coming back from a 0-2 deficit. Although the Hurricanes were disguised as the Hartford Whalers, but the outcome remained the same as when the original Whalers lost over 100 games to Boston. The green uniforms did bring back many memories, including the names of former Whalers, Paul Coffey, Ron Francis, Gordie Howe, Mark Howe, Bobby Hull, Dave Keon, Chris Pronger and Brendan Shanahan.

While it was an important game for both teams, it was more of a 'must' two-pointer for the 'Canes, as they are in a battle for a playoff spot, in contention and tied in points with, Pittsburgh and Montreal, and just two points ahead of Columbus Blue Jackets in the Eastern Conference standings. The revitalized 'Canes came to the Garden riding a five-game win streak. The comeback push for the Bruins followed a devastating check to the boards by Micheal Ferland on Boston's recent acquisition, Marcus Johansson. Losing Johansson (upper body injury) at the end of the first period, and for the remainder of the game, seemed to spark the Bs as they gath-

ered momentum that carried through the end of the first and into the second period. In the second period they managed several attacks on the Carolina goaltender, Curtis McElhinney, resulting in two goals to tie the game. Following the game coach Bruce Cassidy addressed the Johansson injury, "Right now, I believe he went to the hospital. I'll give an update tomorrow. It looks encouraging, but I don't want to speak out of turn. Like I said, I think when all the tests are done, we'll have a better The third period had Bos-

ton shorthanded, as the penalty was being served, Brad Marchand delivered a smooth pass to the ever-reliable Patrice Bergeron, who put in the shorthanded goal in what was the first lead or the night for the Bruins at 3-2. The 'Canes continued to attack as well, and were rewarded with the tying goal with less than eight-minutes remaining in the third. The overtime success came when re-hot Jake DeBrusk (my choice for 7th Player) replaced Matt Grzelcyk following a draw in the Boston end. A quick swoop resulted in DeBrusk taking the puck away from Justin Faulk behind the Carolina net, and finally serving an ever tasty dish to the slot and a waiting David Krejci who put the three-on-three winner into the back of the net. Coach Cassidy lauded the streaking DeBrusk with, "He had his legs, was pursuing pucks, and usually when he has his legs and is on pucks good things will happen, and they did. I just stripped the guy. Most going to happen, and all of a sudden, he's got the puck and throwing it to the crease.

Tonight (Thursday 7 p.m.), the struggling Florida Panthers

will supply the opposition as they remain in the 12th spot in the conference standings. Tuukka Rask is expected back in net to face the Panthers, having earned a well-deserved night off as he provided backup, while Jaroslav Halak stepped in and did the job on Tuesday. Rask is sizzling with a line of 14-0-3 for his last 18 starts, quite impressive. It's bizarre that the Bruins last lost in regulation on Jan. 19 (New York Rangers), which means that they haven't missed out on getting at least a point in each of their February games! Just as amazing is the fact that in the three weeks they've had to play without their top goal-scorer, David Pastrnak, they've had success.

All which brings the Bruins to just 16 games remaining on their schedule prior to the playoffs, and the wonderful problem as to where coach Cassidy will look to fit Pasta back into the lineup. Having started to skate, albeit with a cast on his thumb/hand, it will likely take a while to get his timing back to game strength. Pastrnak would probably be set to drop back at right wing on the first line with Bergeron and Marchand on his return, but no matter what, it will be a nice problem for Cassidy to have to find him a spot in the lineup. Saturday (March 9 at 7 p.m.) the Bruins will end their six-game homestand by taking on the Conference and Atlantic Division cellar-dwellers, the Ottawa Senators (2-7-1 last 10), before venturing on a three-game road trip to face burglarious tools. two teams battling for playoff Thursday (March 13 at 8 p.m.) warrants. will finish up the Bs road trip.

# **ZONTA CLUB OF CHELSEA HONORS** JANE M. KLAUSMAN SCHOLARSHIP RECEIPENT



The Zonta Club of Chelsea, at their February monthly meeting, had the pleasure of honoring MIT attendee Carmel Appel Raskin, recipient of the Zonta International Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship. Zonta District 1 Governor Elizabeth Hart presented her with the Scholarship Certificate. The membership and many quests were there for this memorable evening. Invited guest were Chelsea School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle, Everett Interim Superintendent of Schools Janice Gauthier, Everett school teacher Josephine Penza and MGH Operations Specialist Maria Valles.

Pictured above left to right, Zonta International Area 4 Director Barbara Anderson, JMK Women in Business Scholarship recipient Carmel Appel Raskin, District 1 Governor Elizabeth Hart, Zonta Club of Chelsea President Joan Lanzillo-Hahesy and Scholarship Chair Pamela Miller.

# POLICE Briefs By SETH DANIEL AND PAUL KOOLLOIAN

# ARRESTED FOR **BURGLARY**

On Feb. 19, at 1:11 p.m., officers were dispatched to the HomeGoods store on Everett Avenue for a call of a shoplifting in progress. As police arrived, a male fled through the back door. Officers were able to find the male subject hiding under a trash bag near a barrel in an adjacent parking lot. The officers placed him under arrest and located on his person

Kevin Bejar, 20, of Everett, spots, the Pittsburgh Penguins was charged with shoplifting, mean, look at the goal. He Sunday (March 10 at 7:30 unlawful deactivation of theft p.m.), and the Columbus Blue device, resisting arrest, two defensemen don't think that's Jackets Tuesday (March 12 at counts of possession of bur-7 p.m.). The Winnipeg Jets on glarious instruments, and five

# JUVENILE IN HIT AND RUN

On Feb. 20, at 11:37 a.m., Chelsea Police received information that an older model Ford Explorer was the suspect vehicle in the hit and run at 44 Gerrish Ave. A Chelsea officer was on patrol in the area of Crescent and Cary avenues and observed a motor vehicle matching the description. The officer stopped the car for several motor vehicle violations. The operator was a juvenile with no license; he was placed under arrest and was found to have a knife on his person.

A Chelsea 16-year-old was charged with carrying a dangerous weapon and unlicensed operation.

# STABBED IN HEAD

On Feb. 23, at approximately 11:53 a.m., Chelsea officers responded to a report of a stabbing on Central Avenue. On arrival, they observed the male victim with a non-life-threatening slash wound to this head. The alleged victim was uncooperative and told officers he had fallen. Officers on scene developed information that a fight had ensued at the location and were led to a male involved. That male was placed in custody after a knife and other evidence were seized.

Jose Aguilar, 52, of 101 Congress Ave., was charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (knife).

# FOUND KNIFE

On Feb. 24, at 10:45 a.m., a CPD officer observed a male party in the area of Fourth and

Pearl streets believed to have active warrants for his arrest. Those warrants were confirmed, and the subject was placed under arrest. During a search, a switchblade knife was located on the male. He was additionally charged with carrying an illegal weapon.

Edward Diaz, 34, of Malden, was charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and two warrants.

# MAN FOUND WITH **CRACK**

On Feb. 24, at 11:10 p.m., officers were dispatched to 220 Broadway for a report of an intoxicated male who was refusing to leave the establishment. A security guard pointed to a male that was in the doorway of the business. The subject refused to leave the area and was placed under arrest. During the booking process, a rock-like substance believed to be cocaine was seized. He was additionally charged with illegal possession of Class B.

Almedin Katadzic, 37, of 165 Winnisimmet St., was charged with possession of a Class B drug (crack) and being an incapacitated person.

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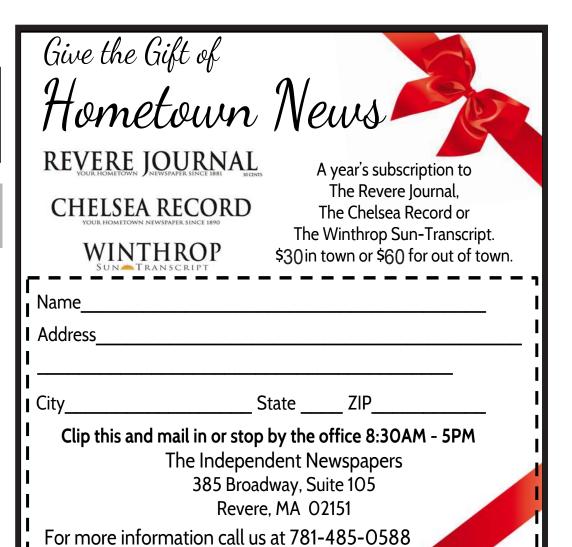


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# LATE WINTER WALLOPING BRINGS 10 INCHES OF SNOW TO THE STREETS OF CHELSEA

Residents of Chelsea cleared their sidewalks while children enjoyed a day off from school during Monday's snow day, March 4. The late season storm provided a fluffy layer of cold white snow, which provided a fun day of outdoor activities for children and families.



Isabella Mendoza helped clear her family car during on Monday morning during the snow day.



Lt. Peters and Firefighter Alejandro of the Chelsea Fire Department cleared a residential fire hy-



Marilyn Moschella shoveled her stairs and sidewalk in Chelsea on Monday.



Fabio and Sylvia Carballo shoveled around their home on Winthrop Road in Chelsea.



Left, Chelsea Public Works was hard at work making sure the roads were clear and safe all morning long. Right, Christian Avellaneda cleared the sidewalk in front of his home while helping his neighbors on Englewood Avenue.



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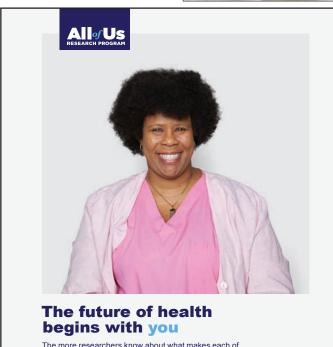


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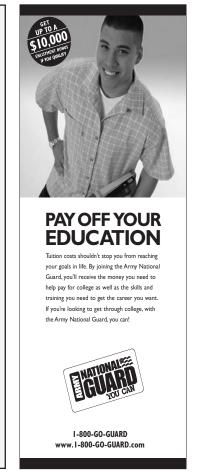
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# Living For Others: Remembering Katie Santos

By Cary Shuman

It was a tragedy about which she never spoke. Her life was a story of beating many challenges to become a selfless, loving mother of three sons and grandmother of four. And through it all, her faith played a role in her ability to be mentally strong, devoted, and steadfast in the leadership of her family.

Kathleen Virginia "Katie" (Espinola) Santos, a former resident of Chelsea and Lynn, died on Feb. 20, 2019 after a battle with leukemia. She was 59. When Katie Espinola was 2 months old in October, 1959, she lost her father and five siblings after a gas leak struck the family home on Ellsworth Street, Chelsea. The cause of death was determined to be carbon monoxide poisoning.

Through the front-page reports in the Chelsea Record and Boston newspapers and the recollections of other family members, Joseph Santos, Katie's oldest son who is now 37, was able to piece together the tragic events of that time.

"My grandmother (Katie's mother) was having a procedure at Chelsea Memorial Hospital and because my mother was an infant, she was at her aunt's house because it was hard for my grandfather to take care of the five kids. My grandfather worked for the Red Sox on the grounds crew." Joseph continued, "Sometime between Oct. 23 and Oct. 25 (1959), there was a gas leak at the home. On Oct. 25, my grandfather was supposed to pick up my grandmother at Chelsea Memorial Hospital. That was the day they found the family inside the home.

Katie lost her father, her four brothers, and one sister (all of the siblings were between the ages of 3 and 11) in the incident

"Fire officials determined that a pilot light had gone out in the stack heater," said Joann

Growing up in Chelsea

Katie Santos had a very difficult childhood, according to her son. "I can only imagine what her childhood and teenage years were like," said Joseph. "And my grandmother's mental health after such a tragedy – we do know that my mother's teenage years were rough."

Katie and her mother later moved to Franklin Street in Chelsea and eventually to an apartment near Bellingham Square. "When my mother was 19, she took off for New York City, worked as a bartender and a makeup artist and did what she had to do to find her path," said Joseph.

Kathleen Espinola met Stephen Santos at Revere Beach and they were married in 1981

The family lived in Lynn for 20 years before moving to Maine.

A devoted mother and friend to all Katie Santos was the consummate mother, raising her three children, Joseph, Adam, and Kenneth in a loving environment and a closeknit family.

According to Joseph, the Santos home became "the neighborhood home," where children would congregate and find guidance and support from his mother. "There were so many of my friends who got some of their emotional support from my mother," said Joseph.



Kathleen Virginia "Katie" Santos.

Following his graduation from Lynn English High School in 1999, Joseph became a father when he was 19. He would go on to have full custody of his daughter. "My mother was basically my daughter's mother, a parent figure for most of her life," said Joseph. "My mother would show up at my house and help out in any way she could."

Katie also devoted her life to her other sons, Adam, and Kenneth, doing what she could to help her boys enjoy a good quality of life and aspire to their goals. "My mother was a great mom, who set a great example for my brothers and me," said Joseph. "In her quiet, unassuming manner, she just raised us well and made the right decisions. She instilled in us to do the right thing at all times."

Joseph said his mother became a child advocate, especially for children with autism. She took courses in special education at Endicott College. "My mother was 100



Katie Santos, pictured with her three sons, Adam, Joseph, and Kenneth (right) and with her grandchildren (left).

percent committed to her family," said Joseph. "It's very clear that all my mother wanted at some point in her life was a large family – because she had tragically lost her opportunity to have one."

Mrs. Santos' faith also carried her through the adversity she faced. She was active at the former St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Lynn and most recently St. George's in Sanford ME, and regularly participated in bible book studies and community service projects with fellow parishioners.

"My mother was a person who showed up for everybody else," said Joseph. "She never felt shortchanged in her career or her leisure time. For her, what mattered most and what she worked towards was helping give whatever the person in front of her needed."

# A son delivers a beautiful eulogy

Mrs. Santos was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML) on Jan. 6. She died on Feb. 20 from pneumonia, complications from AML. "My daughter graduates from high school in June and my mother would not let that go when she was in the hospital," said Joseph. "That was the hardest part, that she didn't live to see it."

Joseph Santos delivered the eulogy at his mother's funeral. "I spoke about the tragedy she endured as a child and how we couldn't possibly understand how that might negatively affect a person," said Joseph. "But either despite it, or in spite of it, she would go on to be the most selfless person that we would understand. She had a unique judge of character and could see through our hurt and frustrations. "I told the congregation that we were not here to mourn a life, but to celebrate a life," said Joseph. "The lesson we all take from my mother is: in living for others, you will make a much larger, positive impact in the world than you could ever do living for self."

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# **NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION**

# FORESTEIRE LEAVES HOUSING AUTHORITY

EVERETT - With the charges against former Supt. Fred Foresteire leveled last week, new attention immediately was brought to his service on the Everett Housing Authority (EHA) board, and news traveled fast that Foresteire quietly had resigned from that seat recently.

In a letter dated Feb. 13, Foresteire indicated he would resign from the Board effective Feb. 15.

Foresteire has been on the EHA board as the governor's appointment for some time, and has served for many governors, including Gov. Charlie Baker.

In conversations earlier this year, upon learning of the allegations against Foresteire, the Independent inquired of Foresteire's EHA seat. The governor's office at the time said they have heard of the investigations into Foresteire, but they cannot unilaterally remove Foresteire.

"Gov. Baker believes there be should zero tolerance for sexual harassment, especially in our schools, and the administration supports a full and thorough investigation of the matter in a timely fashion," said Brendan Moss of the governor's office.

The legal process for removing someone from a local Housing Authority board calls for several steps before one can be removed. The responsibility for getting the process started and removing members lies with the City Council and the mayor.

They are empowered to "make and receive... written charges against any member of a housing or redevelopment authority in such city or town appointed by the department

[of housing and community development]," read the state

If there are written charges, it lies upon the mayor and City Council to refer those charges, which now exist in the Foresteire case, to the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), as well as the governor's office.

The law says the standard for which a member must adhere to include: "inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office."

The member must also be given notice and opportunity for a hearing on his or her removal

However, with the resignation, none of that process was necessary.

# MIDDLESEX DA CHARGES FORESTEIRE WITH SEVERAL COUNTS

EVERETT - Former Supt. Fred Foresteire has been charged with seven counts of assault and battery for allegedly inappropriately touching three female Everett Public Schools (EPS) employees.

Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Police Chief Steven Mazzie announced the charges last week, noting that Foresteire, 75, will be arraigned on April 4 in Malden District Court.

The charges were born out of a controversy that surfaced around Thanksgiving last year when Foresteire was accused of sexual harassment by a former EPS employee, Andrea Garay. Garay filed a complaint with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD). That launched an investigation into that and other incidents, and led to the sudden retirement of Foresteire in

December after more than 50 years on the job in Everett.

DA Ryan stated that Foresteire was charged with the following crimes:

•Indecent assault and battery on a person over the age of 60

Assault and Battery.

•And, five counts of indecent assault and battery on a person over the age of 14.

The seven counts were focused on three victims, Ryan said, all of whom were EPS employees who were known to him.

An attorney that represented Foresteire before the School Committee, from Spruce Law, did not return a phone call seeking comment.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria declined to comment on the charges.

School Committee Chair Tom Abruzzese said he couldn't comment immediately on the charges, but said they would be "stunning" if true. He said they would likely be calling a special meeting in the near future to discuss the next steps.

That came quickly, as the City's website had posted at 11:53 a.m. an emergency meeting for Tuesday at 8 p.m., beyond Independent deadlines, for an executive session "to investigate charges of criminal misconduct."

That meeting was not expected to be in open session, and it was called for by Interim Supt. Janice Gauthier.

Attorney Tara Swartz, who represents some of the victims, including Garay, did not return a phone call seeking comment.

The Massachusetts Teachers Association, nor the Everett Teachers Association, were immediately available for comment as well.

DA Ryan reminded these

charges are allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

# GAETA TO LEAD LOCAL YMCA

EAST BOSTON - A familiar face will return to East Boston to lead the East Boston YMCA next month. Joe Gaeta, who served as the East Boston Y's Director of Teen Programs for several years before leaving to become Director of Operations for the Huntington Avenue YMCA, was named this week as the new East Boston Y's Executive Director.

Gaeta, a lifelong Eastie resident, will replace Ann Margaret Gutierrez, who led the East Boston Y since 2015.

"Working with the YMCA of Greater Boston has always been a rewarding experience for me," said Gaeta, who will take the reins in Eastie on March 4. "Making sure community needs are met no matter what the circumstance is part of the core of our mission. Being able to serve the community of East Boston has always been a passion of mine. Coming home and leading this extraordinary organization and team has always been a dream. I look forward to continuing the longstanding tradition of serving the community of East Boston as its next Executive Director."

Gaeta is a 13-year YMCA veteran with a decade of service at the East Boston Y under his belt. Gaeta started as a part-time camp counselor during which he created and implemented education curriculum for youth, ages 5 through 13.

In 2010 he advanced within his career to the association-wide Director of Teen Programs for which he supervised the teen fitness center and family programming and assisted in fundraising efforts for youth scholarships to camp.

In his most recent position, Director of Operations for the Huntington Avenue YMCA, he oversees 5,000 members and an operating budget of \$7 million while managing 11 full-time and 100 part-time staff members.

"The YMCA of Greater Boston prides itself on attracting top talent to guide the organization in youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility," says YMCA of Greater Boston President and CEO James Morton. "We are thrilled to promote Joe from within and we are excited to see where Joe takes the East Boston Y and the positive impact he will have on individuals and families in the area."

During his tenure, Gaeta has been responsible for Membership, Aquatics, Healthy Living and Youth Development/Teen programs. He created the East Boston YMCA Credit Recovery Program, in partnership with Boston Public Schools and East Boston High School, which gives students a second chance to make up work and lost credits at their own pace out of school to ensure they graduate on time. He also implemented extended teen times where the building was open for just teens, after hours, free of charge.

Gaeta said public service has been a long-standing tradition in his Eastie family. Following in his grandparents 30 years of advocacy work he is the Treasurer of the East Boston Girls Softball League and a longtime supporter and former Board Member for East Boston Main Streets. With a passion for creating opportunities for others, he holds a bachelor's degree in History and Secondary Education from the University of Massachusetts.

East Boston Y members, friends and supporters are encouraged to meet Gaeta during the East Boston YM-CA's Annual Reach Out Breakfast, which is set for Thursday,

April 25 at 7 a.m. at the Hilton Boston Logan Airport.

To purchase tickets visit www.ymcaboston.org/east-boston/breakfast.

# COUNCIL APPROVES TWO MORE POT SHOPS

LYNN - The City Council approved two more special permits for the opening of recreational marijuana shops.

Good Chemistry, which has another shop in Worcester and a cultivation site in Bellingham, would open a Lynn shop at 696 Western Ave., the site of the old Tony's Florist. Joe Ciota, owner of the property said he supports his tenant.

Good Chemistry was founded by Matthew Huron, who began cultivating cannabis 20 years ago to provide relief for his father, his father's partner, and others living with HIV/AIDS and other critical illnesses.

Today, Good Chemistry is a leading provider of medical and adult-use cannabis products and related services, and is committed to making life better for patients and consumers. The company opened the first medical cannabis dispensary in Worcester in August 2018.

Good Chemistry has developed and implemented best practices in the medical and adult-use cannabis industry in Massachusetts, Colorado and Nevada. Good Chemistry is a well-respected, established company with a strong track record of compliance with state and local regulations.

The second shop approved is Tree Market, LLC which plans to operate at 3 Mt. Vernon St., Unit 6. The presentation was not as extensive as others. Eli Volynsky, co-founder and CEO has teamed up with Danny Razore, CFO, to create the shop.

### PETERSEN SISTERS FIRST TO SERVE ON POLICE FORCE

WINTHROP - There have been brothers, uncles, fathers and grandfathers but there has never been a set of sisters serving on the Winthrop Police Dept. until now.

Last week 23-year-old Vanessa Faro Petersen was sworn in as a new reserve officer in the Dept. where her 25-year old sister Officer Samantha Faro Petersen has been on force since October 2018 who completed the police academy in 2018. Vanessa graduated from the Recruit Academy in 2018.

Samantha Petersen graduated with a degree in criminal justice at Westfield State while her sister Vanessa graduated from LaSalle College with a degree in criminal justice.

"We have totally different personalities," Samantha said. "She's more the fun, lovable, carefree and I'm more regimented, don't break the rules."

The two, new officers grew up in Winthrop, as did their parents and grandparents, Salvatore and Elaine Faro.

It was their mother Elaine Faro who pushed Samantha to join the Police Explorers Club, run by Sgt. Steve Rogers. Samantha Petersen said when she was a kid she thought the Explorers were for boys, but soon found out otherwise.

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"I wasn't playing sports or anything. My mother kept telling me I needed something to do so I joined the Explorers," Samantha Petersen said, adding that their older brother Michael has been supportive too. "After the first meeting of the Explorers I was hooked," she said. "I started at 15 so I basically grew up here. It's been an easy transition because it feels like home."

In the Explorers members are exposed to day to day calls a police officer responds to. These scenarios help build the foundation of the police officer.

Vanessa Petersen started with the Explorers at the age

of 13. She currently works at Boston Medical Center in the public safety Dept..

"We just did a training and I embraced everything they said," Samantha Petersen said. "Everyone just instantly became my role models."

Going through the academy is not easy and the two sisters did not think they'd be making history. Both credit their time in the Explorers to fuel their desire to be police officers.

"But it's also a testament to how well we did on the test," Samantha Petersen said. "I couldn't ask for a better outcome."

In the future, Samantha said she's glad to start in Winthrop but she does see herself advancing her career to the federal or state level, ATF or detective.

"I'm enjoying my job and getting to know the community," Samantha said.

### FIESTA SHOWS RECEIVE APPROVAL

REVERE - Get ready for a good snow storm in March or April because the Licensing Commission has approved a permit for Fiesta Shows to come to town once again.

Traditionally it snows at least once when Fiesta open its first show of the season in the Showcase Cinema parking lot off Squire Road on March 21 and close on April 15 operating every day from 3-11 p.m.

This year the License Commission reminded show owner John Flynn of years past when there were incidences but they noted that last year was a good year with no problems. This is credited to beefed up security and the installation of cameras around the cinema.

"In the past sometimes I voted for this sometimes against," said Commissioner Linda Guinasso. "I've looked at other cities and towns and I wonder why they allow the show, and it all comes down to the money. It's hard to turn this money down for the kids."

The funds do go to the Mc-Carthy-Trifone fund, which is used to support sports in the city.

Ward 5 Councillor John Powers said Flynn has stepped up over the years.

Jane D'Angelo, president of the McCarthy-Trifone fund said without the carnival there would be no other means of money for the fund.

"He has been very generous even in the years it snowed and rained," she said.

# VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS TO RECEIVE FEE BREAK

REVERE - There are three veterans' organizations in Revere and each one is struggling with membership numbers with older veterans dying off and younger veterans not joining their local post.

For the past few years all the posts have been paying \$1,300 a year in license fees to the city. Ward 2 Councillor and veteran Ira Novoselsky made a motion during a recent City Council meeting for the fee to be cut in half. The council agreed with the motion and the mayor agreed it was a good idea. Last Wednesday afternoon the Licensing Commission agreed but Chairman Robert Selevitch took it one step further and slashed the license fee to \$500 for a year.

"It's something we as a city should be doing to help out veterans and their organizations," Novoselsky said. "It shows support and gives some community engagement."

Don Swicker of the Mottolo Post acknowledged it would help.

"We are struggling," said James Sintra of American Legion Post 61.

"We should do as much as we can for out veterans," said Commissioner John LaCroix.



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# DiDomenico serves as speaker at Women's Bar Association legislative breakfast

Sal DiDomenico joined with Senate President Karen Spilka and a number of other elected officials to speak with the Women's Bar Association (WBA). Every year, the WBA hosts a legislative breakfast in the Great Hall in order to meet with legislators and advocate for their legislative priorities. Sen. DiDomenico spoke to the members of the WBA about his bill, An Act to Lift the Cap on Kids (S.37), which is one of the WBA's top priorities this legislative session.

An Act to Lift the Cap on Kids, also known as Lift the Cap, would repeal the state's family cap. The family cap denies TAFDC (Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children) to children conceived while - or soon after – the family received benefits. This cap denies a child \$100 a month in benefits plus an annual \$300 clothing allowance. There are currently about 8,700 children in Massachusetts who are excluded from benefits because of when they were born.

"We know that it's time to take action and repeal this ineffective and unjust policy, and show that we value all children equally, regardless of the circumstances of their birth," Sen. DiDomenico remarked. He also encouraged the members of the WBA to speak to their legislators regarding the policy, stating; "Do not simply ask your elected officials whether they support a bill or an issue. Ask them, 'At what level do you support it?'

Last session, An Act to Lift the Cap on Kids passed



Sen. Sal DiDomenico speaks at the Women's Bar Association.

the House and the Senate, but was amended by the Governor at the end of session. In addition to filling An Act to Lift the Cap on Kids, Sen. DiDomenico also filled An Act to Lift Kids out of Deep Poverty, which would increase TAFDC by 10 percent every year.

# AG's office to host events across the state for National Consumer Protection Week

annual National Consumer Protection Week, Attorney General Maura Healey announced a series of events designed to help empower and educate Massachusetts resi-

"The AG's Office advocates for consumers every day, arming them with the tools they need to make informed decisions and protect themselves from bad actors," said AG Healey. "This month, we will travel throughout the state to meet with consumers, teach them about their rights, and connect them with the resources we have available through our office."

During National Consumer Protection Week, the AG's Office will offer consumer education events across the state on topics ranging from consumer awareness, scams, senior consumer rights, and auto laws. A complete list of consumer protection events being held throughout March is available here.

Each year, the AG's Office provides direct assistance to thousands of consumers across Massachusetts. AG

In celebration of the 21st Healey's Consumer Advocacy & Response Division (CARD) directly assists consumers by answering questions, offering referrals to appropriate organizations or government agencies, working with businesses to resolve disputes, and providing information on other available services and community-based consumer

> In 2018, CARD worked on more than 34,000 cases, and either directly or through its partnerships with local consumer programs helped secured more than \$3.7 million in relief for consumers. Some examples of consumer assistance provided by the AG's Office in 2018 include:

 Assisting an elderly confacing foreclosure. CARD staff successfully got the foreclosure date postponed and provided the consumer with time to apply for a loan modification.

• Helping to clear a consumer of a fraudulent wireless phone bill totaling nearly \$5,300. The consumer was contacted by the carrier for more than a year even though he repeatedly told them that he never had an account with them. With CARD's assistance, the carrier confirmed that the consumer did not owe the debt and corrected his

• Assisting in getting an auto purchase rescinded after a consumer discovered within days of purchasing it that her car was a lemon. CARD contacted the finance company that originated the auto loan, and the company unwound the deal, offered to correct the consumer's credit report, and ceased doing business with the dealership.

• Coordinating the delivery of 100 gallons of oil, paid for by Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands Inc. and delivered by Guard Oil, to a senior without heat. Guard Oil also serviced the furnace at no charge.

• Working with a hotel chain to compensate consumers after a spa in one of their Boston locations closed abruptly. Consumers who filed complaints with the AG's Office received credits at the spa slated to replace the one that closed or at the hotel for a total value of \$6,158.

In addition to direct assistance, the AG's Office investigates and litigates violations of the state's consumer protection laws. In 2018, the AG's Office secured refunds for 20,000 consumers from Comcast, \$4 million in relief from a national mortgage servicing company, \$450,000 in restitution and penalties from used auto dealership in Westport, andnearly \$50,000 for student borrowers from a student loan "debt relief" company that charged unnecessary and unlawful fees.

Consumers with problems are encouraged to contact CARD's consumer specialists at 617-727-8400 or file a complaint on the AG's website. The AG's Office also has an Elder Hotline at 888-243-5337, which operates as part of CARD and is staffed by trained specialists who are knowledgeable about problems that are more common for older Massachusetts residents. The AG's Office also encourages student borrowers to contact the Student Loan Assistance Unit at 888-830-

# DiDomenico serves as panelist on juvenile justice policy forum

Earlier this month. Sen Sal DiDomenico partnered with Rep. Kay Khan and the Judge Baker Children's Center to host a forum at the State House discussing the juvenile justice system and the organization's report, "Promoting Positive Outcomes for Justice-Involved Youth: Implications for Policy, Systems and Practice."

The Judge Baker Children's Center is a Boston-based nonprofit and affiliate of Harvard Medical School that works to promote children's physical and emotional well-being. The forum, which was attended by a large number of legislators and staff, was organized to develop a comprehensive policy for helping children and families trapped in the juvenile justice system.

At the event, Sen. DiDomenico spoke about the importance of supporting the whole child in order to put all kids on a path to success. "One of my top priorities in the State House is our youth, our young people," said DiDomenico. "We must give them every opportunity to succeed



Sen. Sal DiDomenico addressing the crowd.

and every opportunity to have what they rightly deserve. If we leave even one child behind, then we as a society have failed. We are living in a state and a country where we should not have any young

people involved in the justice system, and it is our responsibility to fix that."

The report found that children who grow up in unstable homes are more likely to end up in the juvenile justice system. To rectify this, it recommended that the state create a care system that is "youth-centered, family-focused, community-based, culturally responsive, and minimally intrusive."

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# **OBITUARIES**

# Frederick Garrity

Retired Deer Island engineer and longtime member of Revere American Legion Post



Frederick P. Garrity, a lifelong resident of Chelsea's Powder Horn Hill section, passed

away following a long confinement at the Pope Nursing Home of Weymouth on Thursday, Feb. 28. He was 79 years

Born and raised in the Powder Horn Hill Section of Chelsea and a graduate of Chelsea High School, Class of 1958, he entered the U.S. Navy in January of 1959, during the Vietnam Era and served until December of 1962 as a Seaman 3rd Class. For over 35 years, Frederick was stationed at the Deer Island Site as an Engineer 1st Class, retiring in 2004. He was also a long-time member of the American Legion Post #61 of Revere.

He was the beloved son of the late John A. and Margaret (Foley) Garrity, the cherished brother of Mary A. Harrington

and her late husband, Paul J. Harrington of Marshfield and the late John G. and Edward G. Garrity. He is also lovingly survived by his faithful cousin, Gerald "Jerry" Foley and his wife, Dorothy F. (Kirby) Foley of Revere, several other cousins, many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. He was also the brother-in-law to the late Anne and Eleanor Garrity.

Funeral arrangements were by the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, Revere. A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Michael the Archangel Chapel (on the campus of the Chelsea Soldiers' Horne) followed by interment in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Patients Activities Account at Chelsea Soldiers Home, 91 Crest Ave., Chelsea, MA 02150. For additional information, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

# **Barbara Richards Hamilton**

June 20, 1955 — March 2, 2019

Barbara Richards Hamilton of Gloucester died unexpectedly on March 2.

She was the wife of Timothy R. Hamilton of St. Charles, MO, devoted mother of Joseph M. Hamilton and his wife Karla of St. Charles, MO, Robert Hamilton of Gloucester and Nicholas Hamilton of St. Louis, MO; loving daughter of the late Herbert N. and Rita B. (Rich) Richards, Sr. and dear sister of Lorraine Bryan of New Hampshire, Yvonne Celeste of Derry, N.H., John Richards of New

York and the late Herbert N. Richards, Jr. She is also survived by six grandchildren.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend a memorial gathering at the Frank A. Welsh & Sons Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Sunday, March 9 from 2 to 3:45 p.m. immediately followed by a remembrance and prayer service at 4 p.m. The Funeral home is fully handicap accessible, ample parking opposite funeral home..

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# **LEGAL NOTICE**



NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2018-39-A Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center —

10 Riley Way — Chelsea, With reference to the revised application on remand from the Land Court of: 1005 Broadway, MM LLC For Major Site Plan approval and Special Permit recommendation to construct a four (4) story structure with proposed thirty-eight (38) residential dwelling units which does not meet minimum zoning requirements for rear vard setbacks, number of off-street parking spaces and which also exceeds side vard setbacks and maximum lot coverage

at the premises known 1001 and 1005 Broadway All interested parties should attend the hear ing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.

3/7/19, 3/14/19

# **LEGAL NOTICE**



NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2018-60 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts that a Public Hearing the Annual Meeting. of the Chelsea Planning Respectfully submitted Board will be held on Arthur M. Cohan Tuesday March 26 2019 6:00 p.m.

Chelsea Senior Center — 10 Riley Way — Chelsea, With reference to the application of: Anthony Quiles For a Major Site Plan Approval for a 20,470 sauare foot residential structure with 44 parking spaces which does not meet the current minimum zoning requirements for off-street parking spaces at the premises known as:

176-178 Washington All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209,

Chelsea, MA. 3/7/19, 3/14/19 **LEGAL NOTICE** 

RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2019-01 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances. City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center — 10 Riley Way - Chelsea,

With reference to the application of: The Western Front, LLC For Major Site Plan approval and Special Permit recommendation to establish use as a retail mariivana facility which does not meet current minimum zoning requirements for number

of off-street parking spaces at the premises known as: 121 Webster Avenue All interested parties should attend the hear ing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209,

Chelsea, MA. 3/7/19, 3/14/19

**LEGAL NOTICE** METRO CREDIT UNION

SPECIAL NOMINATION MEETING Notice is hereby given that a Special Nomination Meeting of the Membership will take place on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 2:45 p.m. at the Main Office of the Credit Union, 200 Revere Beach Parkway, Chelsea, MA for the purpose of presenting nominations for Director to be elected at the next Annual Meeting; only those nominated at said meeting shall be eligible for election by ballot at

**LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PRO-**POSALS **SOLICITATION FOR** ARCHITECTURAL/

**ENGINEERING SERVICES** FIRE ALARM and HVAC Upgrades The Chelsea Housing Authority (CHA) is currently accepting proposals from Architects/Engineers (A/ Es) who are registered in Massachusetts for the preparation of plans and specifications for bidding, construction, supervision, and final inspection of a modernization program that will consist of upgrading Fire alarm upgrades to our two-Family developments (202 units total plus common areas) and Replacing and upgrading the administrative office heating and air

conditioning system

(HVAC) by redesigning

its duct work and air

controls. Request for the

full proposal along with

all the documentation needed to response to the RFP, must be made by sending an email request to rrussell@ chelseaha.com. The full RFP package can also be picked up at our main office 54 Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150. All bids must be submitted triplicated in writing, be in the stated format, and received by the Chelsea Housing Authority on or before 2:00 pm, Thursday, March 21, 2019. The address for receipt of the bid package is: Chelsea Housing Authority, ATTN: Richard Russell, 54 Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150

# **LEGAL NOTICE**

CITY OF CHELSEA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION FOR BIDS CATCH BASINS AND MANHOLE REPAIRS The City of Chelsea Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids to furnish all services to provide the repair and replacement of catch basins, manholes throughout the City Invitation for Bids will be available on or after March 6, 2019 by contacting Dylan Cook, Chief Procurement Officer

of Chelsea. at dcook@chelseama gov or by visiting the City's website at http:// www.chelseama.gov/ purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Catch Basins and Manhole Repairs" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no

later than 10:00AM on Thursday, March 21, 2019. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, issued by a responsible bank or trust company. Or a bid bond duly executed by the bidder as principal and a surety company

having as surety thereon approved by the City, all in the amount of 5% of the bid payable to the "City of Chelsea." The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/ or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

This Invitation for Bids is

in accordance with M.G.L.

Chapter 30, 39M.

Dylan Cook

**Officer** 

**Chief Procurement** 3/7/19 **LEGAL NOTICE** To: All Interested

Agencies, Groups, and Individuals This is to give notice that the Massachusetts General Hospital has applied for a School-Based Health Center Capital Program grant from Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The Massachusetts General Hospital proposes to conduct interior renovations at 299 Everett Ave. in Chelsea. MA and 101 School Street in Revere, MA. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of these proposed actions within the 100-year floodplain as required by Section 2(a) (4) of Executive Order 11988 for Floodplain Management as the within and/or affects a

proposed action is floodplain. Additional information may be obtained by contacting: The Massachusetts General Hospital, Attn: Ann-Marie Duffy-Keane, Director, MGH Community Health Associates, 300 Ocean avenue Suite 5500 Revere, MA 02151 781-485-6135. Written comments on the proposed actions

and potential impacts to floodplains must be submitted to the following address on or before March 23, 2019: The Massachusetts General Hospital, Attn: Ann-Marie Duffy-Keane, Director, MGH Community Health Associates, 300 Ocean avenue Suite 5500 Revere, MA 02151 781-

> 485-6135. 3/6/19, 3/7/19



CITY OF CHELSEA INVITATION FOR BIDS O'NEIL PLAYGROUND RENOVATION The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor and materials for "O'Neil Playground Renovation". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after March 6, 2019 by con-Procurement Officer at dcook@chelseama. gov or by visiting the City's website at http:// www.chelseama.gov/ purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. clearly marked "O'Neil Playground Renovation'

tacting Dylan Cook, Chief Bids must be sealed and and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 11:00AM on Thursday, March 28, 2019. Each bid must be accom panied by a certified check, issued by a responsible bank or trust company. Or a bid bond duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company

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The required contract completion date is June 1. 2020. proposals and to waive Bid Security in the form minor irregularities and/ or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest

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of a bid bond, cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check payable to the Owner, is required in the amount of five percent of the bid, in accordance with Section 00200, INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS. Copies of the contract documents are available through the City of Chelsen Purchasina Department online at http://www.chelseama.

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and email in order to

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granted unless approved by the Owner. A Prebid Conference will be held at 2:00 PM on March 21th, 2019 at Room 101, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150. Any request for interpretation of plans and specifications may be submitted in writing at that time. Bidders will have an opportunity to view the site of the work following the Prebid Conference. All bids for this project are subject to applicable bidding laws of Massachusetts, including General Laws Chapter 30, Section 39M as amended. **Prevailing Wage Rates** as determined by the Director of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development under the provisions of the Massachusetts **General Laws Chapter** 149, Section 26 to 27H, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Bidder, before bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Prevailing Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed work under this contract. By submission of a bid, the Bidder agrees that this bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded after the opening of bids. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities in bids and to reject any or all bids. CITY OF CHELSEA, MASSACHUSETTS BY ITS CHIEF PROCURE-MENT OFFICER Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. Reading, Massachusetts

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# <u>LEGAL NOTICE</u>



**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE** In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 38N, the Chelsea School Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Chelsea City Hall for the purpose of receiving comments on: School Choice for the 2019-2020 school year. The proposed 2019-2020 school budget. Copies of the budget proposal will be available for inspection

of the Superintendent of Schools Translators will be available the night of the

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at the Chelsea Public

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2/28/19, 3/7/19

**LEGAL NOTICE REUNION PUBLICA** De acuerdo con el Capítulo 71, Sección 38N, el Comité Escolar de Chelsea llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el jueves, 14 de marzo del 2019 a las 6:30 p.m. en la Sala del Consejo Municipal en la Alcaldía de Chelsea con el propósito de recibir comentarios sobre: La Elección de las Escuelas para el año escolar 2019-2020. 2) El presupuesto escolar propuesto para el año 2019-2020. Las copias de la propuesta del presupuesto estarán disponibles para su inspección a más tardar 2 días antes de la audiencia en la Biblioteca Pública de Chelsea y la Oficina de la Superintendente de las Escuelas. Los traductores estarán disponibles la noche de la reunión. 2/28/19.3/7/19

# **LEGAL NOTICE**

CHELSEA CONSERVATION COMMISSION **PUBLIC HEARING** 

Notice is given in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 131 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Wetland Protection Act), that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Conservation

Commission will be held: Wednesday, March 13, 2019, 6:00 P.M. Conference Room 101 City Hall, 500 Broadway. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to review the Notice of Intent (NOI), submitted by Joseph Muziak, Accorda Therapeutics, for the installation of underground conduit along **Everett Avenue from** approximately Arlington Street to approximately the commuter rail tracks. A copy of the NOI is available for review in the Department of Planning and Development offices, Rm 101, during City Hall business hours. Per Order Stephen N. Sarikas Chair

3/7/19



**NOTICE OF HEARINGS** Zoning Amendments Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Zoning Act, MGL Ch. 40A, Section 5 and Chapter 34. Section 34-4 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Monday, April 1, 2019 6:00 p.m. City Hall — 500 Broadway, Conference Room (305) — Chelsea, MA 02150 Chelsea City Council has referred proposed amendments to the Chelsea Zoning Ordinance regarding zoning rules to Properly

regulate improvements to business districts. including but not limited to outdoor cafes, signage and facade improvements Short-Term Rentals as a

new definition to Section 34-241 — Definitions and as a Use to the list of Residential Uses in Subsection A of Section 34-300, The Table of Principal Use Regulations Amend

Section 34-156, Inclusionary Housing to replace the existing definition of "Qualified income eligible household", to replace "applicability" with at least 15 percent of the dwelling units shall be affordable housing units (AHU) providing a mix in equal quantities at or below 30 percent AMI, 50 percent AMI and 80 percent AMI and that the fee in lieu of providing one or more AHUs shall be a minimum of \$400,000 per required AHU not provided within the development. All interested parties should attend the hearings or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the proposed amendments is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.

3/7/19, 3/14/19

Per order Tuck Willis,

Chairman

# AROUND THE CITY

# **HAPPY HOUR**

Celebrity Series of Boston presents the return of Monica Bill Barnes and Company performing immersive show, "Happy Hour,"with audiences munching on snacks and d drinking wine, March 12-16, at 6 p.m., District Hall, 75 Northern Ave., Boston's Seaport area. celebrityseries.org.

# DEADBEAT

"Your New England tribute to the good old Grateful Dead" rocks the house at cozy, elegant, family-friendly 9 Wallis St., downtown Beverly, March 8, at 8 p.m., resurrecting your favorite Dead tunes and others. \$15; at the door, \$20; processing fee, \$2.95. GIMMElive, 978-525-9093.

# THE RAPE OF **LUCRETIA**

Boston Lyric Opera presents "The Rape of Lucretia," March 11-17, Artist for Humanity EpiCenter, 100 West 2nd St., Boston. Blo.org.

# THE GLASS **MENAGERIE**

Boston Children's Theatre pres-

ents Tennessee Williams' masterpiece play, starring actors age 14-up, March 9-16, at Boston Center for the Arts, 527 Tremont St., Boston.bostonchildrensthe-

### atre.org. THE CABOT

Headlining at the Cabot, 286 Cabot St., Beverly, are Tab Benoit, March 8; Red Hot Chili Peppers, March 9, Melvin Seals and JGB, March 15; The Fab Four, March 16, all at 8 p.m., and a St. Patrick's Day special featuring Celtic Sojourn, March 17, at 3 p.m. For kids, The Joshua Show, featuring Joshua

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a.m. thecabot.org, Ticketmaster, 800-745-3000. **MOVE YOUR FACE** 

Holden, known as the modern

day Mr. Rogers with hipster

appeal, performs March 9, 10:30

Boston Theater Company presents preview performances of its 80-minute, one-act devised silent action play, "Move Your Face," March 8-16, Wednesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m.at Boston Playwrights Theatre, 949 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. \$35; students, seniors, \$20. bostontheater.org, 866-811-4111.

### KING OF THE BEATS Merrimack Repertory Theatre and

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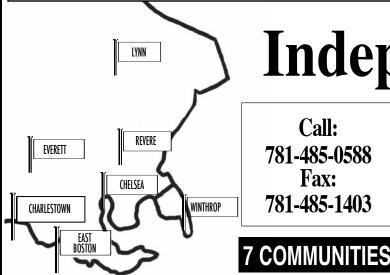
Pollard Memorial Library present a free screening of the acclaimed documentary and a post-screening panel discussion, March 8, at 7 p.m.,the Donahue Academic Arts Center at Middlesex Community College, 240 Central St., Downtown Lowell. The event kicks off the Libra's marathon reading of "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac, March 9, and the world premiere stage adaptation of Kerouac's "The Haunted Life," opening March 20.mrt.org/haunted-life/special-events.

# **BOSTON CONSERVATORY AT**

**BERKLEE** "Cabaret" is performed March 7-10, 8 p.m., and matinees, Saturday, Sunday, at 2 p.m., at the Boston Conservatory Theater, \$25-\$30, discounts available; the string Masters Series presents cellist Astrid Schween, March 10, 8 p.m., at Seully Hall, 8 Fenway, Boston, \$10-\$15, discounts;Max Levinson is the headline Piano Masters performer, March 12, 8 p.m., also at Seully Hall, \$10-\$15, discounts also. bostonconservatory.berklee.edu/events.

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### **BERKLEE** PERFORMANCE CENTER

An Ariana Grande and Micki Miller Tribute Show is performed March 7, 8 p.m. Advance tickets, \$15/\$20; day of show, \$20/\$25; Amal Markus: Voice of Palestine, appears March 9,7:30 p.m., \$30,\$40,\$50,\$60; the Berklee American Roots Music Program celebrates its10th anniversary, March 12, 7:30 p.m. \$15/\$20, \$20/\$25; and the Monterey Jazz Festival on Tour, features Cecile McLorin Salvant and Christian Sands, March 17, 7:30 p.m., \$45,\$55,\$65136 Mass. Ave., Boston. berklee.edu/BPC/about, 617-747-2261.

### SHALIN LIU PERFORMANCE CENTER

Headlining at downtown Rockport's elegant performance center, 37Main St., Rockport, are Tupac Mantilla, featuring Sowah Mensah, ethnomusicologist and master drummer from Ghana, performing a free concert, March 6, 7 p.m., as part of Education and Outreach program; internationally acclaimed Celtic Tenors, March 8, 8 p.m.; beloved Irish folk band, Danu, March 9 (sold out); the Bolshoi Ballet in HD performing "Sleeping Beauty, March 10, 12:55 p.m; acclaimed jazz singer Cyrille Aimee, March 10, 8 p.m. and St. Patrick's Ceilidh, with husband-wife duo Matt and Shannon Heaton, March 15, 8 p.m. rockportmusic. org,978-546-7391.

# MAPLE SUGARING **TOURS**

Mass. Audubon Society's Ipswich HANDEL AND HAYDN River Wildlife Sanctuary holds its annual sweet maple sugaring, naturalist guided, one-hour tours, rain or shine, Saturdays and Sundays, March 9,10,16,17, at 10:30 a.m., 12:30 and

### 2:30 p.m., at 87 Perkins Row, Topsfield. Warm up afterward in the barn, buy homemade soups, baked goods, maple sugar, the sanctuary's maple syrup and other maple products. Adults, \$11; children, \$9; members, \$10/\$8; children 3-under, in a backpack carrier, free of charge. Advance registration required. 978-887-9264, massaudubon.

**AROUND THE CITY** 

### **BERKLEE POPULAR** MUSIC INSTITUTE

org/ipswichriver.

The institute presents its annual Epic Event, Wednesday, March 6, 7 p.m., showcasing artists that students selected to perform at some of the country's most popular summer festivals. The event takes place at The Sinclair, 52 Church St., Harvard Square, Cambridge. \$10; students with ID, \$5. BoweryBoston.com.

# WOMEN OF THE

**WORLD** An international women's day celebration in song occurs with dynamic female vocal ensemble performing Women of the World, March 7, 7:30 p.m., at Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology, 41 Berkeley St., Boston.\$5. Inquilinos Proceeds benefit Boricuas en Accion.

# **NEW PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA**

Newton's New Philharmonia Orchestra presents An Evening of Brahms, March 9, at 8 p.m., and March 10, 3 p.m., at First Baptist Church, 848 Beacon St., Newton Centre. \$10-\$48. Newphil.org.

# SOCIETY

The prestigious group performs Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. and March 10, 3 p.m., at Symphony

Hall, 301 Mass. Aave., Boston. handelandhaydn.org.

### **JESS KLEIN**

Singer/songwriter Jess Klein celebrates the release of her new album, "Back to My Green," March 7, 8 p.m., at Club Passim, Palmer St., Cambridge. Doors open at 7 p.m..

# ANTJE DUVEKOT

The Boston-area singer-songwriter returns March 8 to me and thee Coffeehouse, Unitarian Universalist Church of Marblehead, 28, Mugford St., Marblehead. Opening act is local favorite Marina Evans. meadthee.org.

### **ALT FAT TUESDAY**

Alt Fat Tuesday: Club Bohemia Style, featuring MC Mickey Bliss, Lynne Taylor, the Rollo Tomasi Quartet, Dirty Water Brass Band, appear March 5, 7:30 p.m., at The Lilypad, 1353 Cambridge St., Cambridge. \$10 check, cash at the door. Includes King Cake and beads. lilypadinman.com/ home/2019/3/5/alt-fat-tuesdayclub-bohemia-style.

# **GAMM THEATRE**

Boston's multi-award winning Karen Macdonald stars in Gamm Theatre's New England premiere of Caryl Churchill's newest play, "Escaped Alone' with Samuel minimalist Beckett's 1965 play, "Come and Go," through March 17, 1245 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, RI. \$44,\$52,\$60. gammtheatre.org, 401-723-4266.

# TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD

Mugford Street Players' performance of Christopher Sergel's adaptation of Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, March 1-16, at Marblehead Little Theatre, 12 School St., Marblehead, is canceled. All tickets will be refunded.

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# EASTPOINTE REHABILITATION HOSTS LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

Eastpointe Rehabilitation Center of Chelsea hosted State Rep. Dan Ryan for Legislative Breakfast on Friday, family members and frontline staff from the nursing facility to discuss state funding for quality nursing home care.

"There is a crisis among long term care providers as nearly 70 percent of residents

rely on MassHealth to pay for their care. It's becoming more difficult to retain staff and recruit the staff we need March 1st 2019. The Legisla- to provide quality care to tive Breakfast was attended older adults and people with by residents of Eastpointe, disabilities in our community. We need the state to provide investments in quality nursing home care" said Michele Figucia, Administrator at Eastpointe Rehab Center.





Ellen Russell with Administrator Michele Figucia and State Rep.



Iluminada Deleon signing her art for State Rep. Dan Ryan.



Aurora Avila with Rep. Dan Ryan.



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