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New Broadway sign and design guidelines head to City Council for review

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By Seth Daniel

Dr. Deborah Wayne's optometry shop has been on Broadway in one way or another since 1936, but in 2019 she's hoping that new City guidelines and a store improvement program will help her shop – and others around it - catapult into the new cen-

"You want to see quality businesses and you want them to look like quality businesses," she said. "I think it's a fabulous idea. It's an old storefront. I have a storefront that doesn't have any grates. We've been operating in one location or another on Broadway since 1936 and we've never had a grate. I'd do anything to get the grates off the businesses on Broadway. I think they're ugly. I'm hoping that these regulations go through so I can take advantage of the program. I don't want to take action and build something that isn't in compliance. I'm ready to rip the front off my store. I can't wait."

She shares the enthusiasm of most of the business community on Broadway, who wholeheartedly support a set of design guidelines for the corridor, as well as a storefront improvement assistance program.

Downtown Coordinator Mimi Graney has proposed the regulations this spring to the Planning Board, and had a hearing on April 1. They will have a stop at the City Council again with a ruling promised in May.

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Pupusa Fiesta highlights Latino cuisine; ready to roll out on April 7

By Seth Daniel

Several local restaurants and the City's Chelsea Prospers program is stepping up to celebrate all things about the pupusa this Sunday, April 7, at Emiliana Fiesta as part of the first annual Pupusa Fiesta.

As a precursor to the coming Night Market events, and a nod to the City's Latino and Central American heritage, the City and local business owners have combined efforts to put on a free festival to highlight the stuffed corn tortilla delicacy – as well as all the trimmings that go with it.

Downtown Coordinator Mimi Graney said that five businesses have signed up to participate in the free event, where they will have pupusa samples, forchata drinks, pupusa-making demos, curtido and mariachi music.

"It's kind of flexing our muscles to see how well we get people together and I also wanted to have a celebration of a particular food that we have in Chelsea," said Graney.

Julio Flores of El Santaneco Restaurant said they are very excited to participate and

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BOULDER REDEDICATION CEREMONY



PHOTO BY KEIKO HIROMI Vietnam veterans unveiling the boulder and a plague during the Vietnam Veterans boulder rededication ceremony. The boulder has been moved from Malone Park to a new location between the Williams House and Vinnie's Place due to construction on the campus. During the ceremony, Vietnam veteran Larry Clarke salutes as the names of those from Chelsea who died in Vietnam were read aloud.



School Committee passes budget without majority

By Adam Swift

The School Committee passed a \$95.4 million School Budget last week, but it was passed with less than a majority of the total number of nine

The budget, which passed with a \$1.9 million funding gap that led to the elimination of 10 teaching positions, was approved by a 4-2 vote.

School Committee members Rosemarie Carlisle and Frank DePatto voted against the budget, while board member Jeanette Velez and Chair Richard Maronski recused themselves from the vote, citing relatives who work for the School Department. Last week, Julio Hernandez resigned from the Committee and his seat has yet to be

it has been a long struggle to present a budget that attempts to meet the needs of the Chel-

Supt. Mary Bourque and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino were among those who noted that falling enrollments in the Chelsea schools, as well as an antiquated state funding formula that underfunds urban communities such as Chelsea, were the main culprits in the budget cuts.

"I've spent a lot of the time with the superintendent trying to provide city support for the budget," said Ambrosino. "The City is really trying to do its fair share."

That included the City providing an additional \$1.5 million to the schools to address budget shortfalls.

"Every new tax dollar I can ment," said the city manager.

YMCA teen mentor and major influencer

Regardless of how the School Committee ended up voting on the budget, Ambrosino said the \$95.5 million figure is the figure he would present to the City Council as the school share of the overall City Budget.

"The budget (Bourque) presented is fair and reasonable," said Ambrosino.

Once the budget is approved, Ambrosino said attention should be turned towards advocating for change to the Chapter 70 state education funding formula on Beacon

Bourque said she agreed that the time is now to fix the state funding formula, noting that Chelsea schools will be underfunded \$17 million by

the state. The other factor leading to

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raise in Fiscal Year 2020 is cuts in the budget is falling going to the School Depart-School Committee members and administrators said

Fuentes has built a huge following on social media

By Cary Shuman

Carlos Fuentes is a flourishing social media star and mentor who is helping inspire others on their own health and fitness journeys.

And when we say star, well, Fuentes has more than 56,000 followers, a number that is growing every day.

Chelsea residents, classmates, and childhood friends will remember him well as the personable and multi-talented member of the Jordan Boys and Girls Club (JBGC), the hard-working and helpful student at CHS (Class of 2009), or the diligent staff member at the Chelsea Collaborative where he worked with administrators Gladys Vega and Roseann Bongiovanni.

Fuentes credited former JGBC Executive Director Josh Kraft for making his visits there a positive and pro-



Chelsea resident Carlos Fuentes, teen program director at the East Boston YMCA and social media star, is pictured outside the youth development and community sports facility.

ductive experience.

"Josh is definitely a person who helped me," said Fuentest. "Patricia Manalo was the performing arts director and she was the first one to say to me, 'it's okay to put yourself out there and do something

different' "I did ballet, tap, singing, and dancing. She helped me get out my comfort zone and that's what my current journey has been about." Reflecting on his job at the

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School Committee Chair Rich Maronski resigns from his seat

Cites frustrations with Committee attendance

By Seth Daniel

School Committee Chair Rich Maronski announced on Tuesday that he will be resigning from the Committee as of May 3 – citing that the frustrations with attendance at the meetings was getting in the way of his family life.

Maronski has been on the Committee for four years, and was appointed at the time. He previously served on the City Council, but said his experience on the School Committee was much more frustrating leading him to decide it was time to move on.

"I believe the taxpayers aren't getting their money's worth and the kids are paying the penalty," he said. "It needs to change. Our School Committee needs to go back the old way or they need to be appointed. It's the only job I know where you don't have to show up, don't have to call in and don't get fired. I hope our City leaders take a deep look at this and make some chang-

Maronski was elected chair this year in his fourth year, and he was accompanied as vice chair by Julio Hernandez, who also resigned last week.

While Hernandez cited family and school complications, he also said he left frustrated by the sparse attendance of some members of the Com-

"I loved working in the

School Committee, but it also made me angry to see some members not show up to meetings, not ask questions, and not have thorough discussions regarding our students' education," he said in a statement last week. "...I now believe School Committee Members should be appointed, because our students' education is no joke."

Maronski said things started off bad from day one, when he showed up to take his appointed seat but not enough School Committee members showed up to form a quorum and have an official meeting.

"I had to come back another night when there were enough members there to have a meeting," he said.

He also said he became severely frustrated two years ago when the Committee was faced with voting on a \$1.1 million grant that would help save jobs for teachers that had been cut.

The Committee only had to show up in enough numbers for a formality vote that accepted the grant.

"We didn't have enough members for a quorum and we couldn't vote on a measure that was going to save teacher jobs," he said. "There are no phone calls and people just don't show up...It's been going on for years."

More recently, he said the

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Fire Department works to renovate Firefighters Memorial

By Cary Shuman

The Chelsea Fire Department has begun a major renovation project for the Chelsea Firefighters Memorial that is situated outside the local fire alarm headquarters.

Fire Captain Michael Thompson said the memorial was first erected in 1972 and there has been no refurbishing at the site since that time.

"Our goal is to revamp the entire site," said Thompson, a 32-year veteran of the department. "We will erect granite walls with the names of our deceased firefighters."

City Manager Tom Ambrosino met with Deputy Chief Michael Masucci to discuss the project. Ambrosino gave the official go-ahead for the project.

Seeking to raise monies to defray the cost of the project, the firefighters will hold a "Chili Selloff" fundraiser this Saturday, April 6 at the Mystic Brewery, Chelsea.



Chelsea Fire Capt. Michael Thompson points to the stone plate marking the original opening date of the memorial. The firefighters have launched a renovation project to restore the site.

"Bryan Greenhagan (owner of the brewery) has graciously invited us to sell chili from 1 to 9 p.m. on that day, with the

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SALVADORAN PRIDE



Allison Mendez, Damaris Martinez, and Gisele Ribas show off their Salvadoran pride during the Kelly School's annual Multicultural Night on Thursday, March 28. Tables with food and cultural information was available for nations around the world. See Page 12 for more photos.

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Collaborative, Fuentes said, "Gladys and Rosie are awesome. They gave me my first job. I worked at the Collaborative for five years as an environmental Chelsea organizer."

One of his childhood highlights was singing at the Zakim Bridge opening ceremonies with superstar Bruce Springsteen.

Fuentes graduated from Wheelock College with a degree in Social Work. While a college junior, he began working at the East Boston YMCA.

Today he is the Teen Program Director at the East Boston YMCA where he oversees relationships with the surrounding middle and high schools and manages the academic credit recovery programs as well as Y teen nights.

In 2016, Fuentes began posting photos of his workouts, attendance at musicals, and his various travels on social media.

"I was doing cardio workouts and then I signed up for personal training at the YMCA," said Fuentes, who has lost 40 pounds on a threeyear fitness program.

Fuentes said one of his transformation photos became an overnight viral sensation, with no less than 800,000 likes overnight.

One of his fans praised his healthy lifestyle and positive attitude, writing, "I believe in you, Carlos."

Fuentes now posts videos every other day and the demand for more interaction on social media is growing.

"I just recently learned how

to swim, so a lot of it is my swimming videos and my working out videos," said Fuentes, whose father, Jorge Pleitez, is from El Salvador and mother, Suyapa Fuentes, is from Honduras. He has two older brothers, Miguel and Jorge.

Fuentes is part of the LGBT community and he is often sought out for advice by people who consider him an inspiration and a source of support.

James Morton, YMCA of Greater Boston president and CEO lauded Fuentes who is part of a caring, dedicated staff that has made the 'Y' a true community resource in East Boston.

"Carlos' story is truly an inspiration to all," said Morton, who is an avid runner and fitness advocate himself. "When people join the Y, they are seeking to improve themselves, but in actuality they are also part of creating a better community. The Y helps teens with job training, academic support, and college prep help.

Ashley Genrich, aquatics director at the East Boston YMCA, taught Fuentes how to swim.

"Carlos is one of hardest workers I've ever met in my life," said Genrich. "He figured it out pretty quickly and was hungry to learn all the different strokes. Now he assists with our swim classes. The kids love him. East Boston is such a family here and Carlos models what it is to be a huge member of the this community and the family. He's an awesome guy."

Added Kate Martinez, 17, who works part time in the teen program, "Being at the Y has always felt like a second home because of Carlos. He helps me balance my schoolwork and sports. He's also given me the opportunity to support other youths with their homework and taking part in 'Y' activities."

Meanwhile, Fuentes is becoming so popular and uplifting across many age groups and lifestyles that he is being approached by clothing companies to promote their products. A local film maker has also reached out to Fuentes for a project.

"I'm trying to see what endorsements are available," said Fuentes. "The response has been overwhelming. A lot of people on Instagram say they appreciate me being vulnerable. Because of this platform that I have, I am looking to expand my outreach."

Fuentes said he's pleased that the East Boston 'Y' is attracting members from Chelsea. "It's great that some of our participants are from Chelsea. I've tried to make it known that Chelsea residents are welcomed. My heart has always been Chelsea."

And Fuentes is happily putting his hometown and the East Boston YMCA on the map through his tremendous following on social media.

With his ability to lead and inspire others, is an entry in to the political arena in his immediate future?

"I've thought about it," he admits. "But not right now."

Local leaders and advocates hold 2020 census kick off

By John Lynds

Boston Mayor Martin Walsh joined a group of local non-profit leaders, including Chelsea Collaborative Director Gladys Vega, and advocates at the East Boston Library to kickoff year-long outreach campaign to ensure a fair and complete count in the 2020 U.S. Census.

The event drew leaders and advocates from across Greater Boston and local leaders like Vega and Chelsea City Manager Tom Ambrosino were on hand to support not only Boston's efforts but to show there's a strong partnership with community's that surround Boston.

The census will be issued exactly one year from the past Monday, starting the decennial count that determines everything from representation in Congress, to federal funds for schools, affordable housing, infrastructure and health care programs.

"To all the partners in the room we can't do this without you," said Walsh Monday. "It's so important to be counted. We need to make sure we are all counted because it determines our representation in Congress and I can't underscore that enough. We need accurate census counts to protect our voices in Congress. Right now the investments that were made from the 2010 census were free lunches at public schools, funds for affordable housing, senior services, job training for our residents for the future. If we don't do the count accurately we won't get what is due to us in the Commonwealth."

Walsh pointed out that for every person not counted in the upcoming census equals \$2,400 in lost federal money every year for the next ten years.

"Think of it? If 100,000 people are not counted that translates into 2.4 billion the state loses in federal aid over

the next decade," said Walsh. Monday's kickoff also highlighted a range of collaborations across Greater Boston focused on ensuring that all residents are aware of the upcoming census, know why it's important, and are prepared to participate. Next year's Census faces unprecedented challenges, including significant underfunding of the U.S. Census Bureau, the nearly all-digital nature of the surveys, and the possible inclusion of a citizenship ques-

Vega said the 2020 Census marks her third decade working on getting more and more



census kickoff in neighboring East Boston.

people counted.

However, with the current political environment and attacks on undocumented immigrants in the national media, Vega argues that the 2020 Census is going to be a lot harder when compared to year's past. "When I see friends and

neighbors not reporting domestic violence or not calling the Chelsea Police Department because they are afraid that if they give their name that information is going to be shared," said Vega. "Imagine asking these people to put their name on an application or document for the Federal Government that they do not trust. The fear of this census is huge. In 2010 we had a some challenges getting people counted because they argued that if immigration reform is not happening why would put their name on a federal document. So imagine now (how hard it's going to be) with the environment of hate and fear going on. For three decades now our people have been undercounted. We are a small city in the state that does not get the best resources because we are undercounted. We got to pour as many resources as we can into this and talk to our neighbors about how important this is. We don't have the luxury to lose a Congressional District. We were very close

happen again. So please I urge

ing Board of Appeals.

you to take this very serious."

At the kickoff other speakers agreed with Vega and commented there are multiple hard-to-count populations that reside in Massachusetts that historically have made a complete census count difficult. This is due in part to the state's population of recent immigrants, renters, college students, and other hard-tocount populations. Boston is the ninth hardest-to-count city among the largest 100 cities nationwide, according to a recent report by Boston Indicators and the Boston Founda-

Chair of the Massachusetts Census Equity Fund Alexie Torres said trusted messengers will play a particularly important role in compelling individuals from hard-tocount communities to participate in the 2020 Census.

"The Massachusetts Census Equity Fund just announced the first half a million dollars in grants to over 40 organizations across the state, all to ensure that fear doesn't drive us into darkness," said Alexie Torres. "Darkness can only be cast out when we stand in the light. We must come together and support trusted messengers to highlight what's at stake for the 2020 census."

For more information on the City's outreach efforts to ensure a fair and complete once and we can not let that count, please visit boston. gov/2020-census.

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Committee wasn't able to get to change...We do have some enough people to vote on the Superintendent's Job Description, so the Search Committee had to work for a month with only an unapproved draft until they could get enough members at a meeting to vote.

"My well-being and my family's well-being come first," he said. "I was taking this home with me. I'm getting married soon and it wasn't fair. The reason why I chose to resign is because maybe I leaders that this situation has important the School Com-didn't."

very good School Committee members that give their time, but a lot don't.

He said the Committee also plays an important role for supporting the kids in the schools. He said he would love to see a Committee where members are active and involved, supporting the kids at reading events, sporting events and concerts.

there are a lot of single parent

mittee members show up to these kids' events to support them," he added.

Maronski said he had all the respect in the world for the Central Office, the principals, the teachers and the buildings/ grounds crews.

He also said Supt. Mary Bourque has done a great job in a hard job.

"Mary Bourque has the toughest job in the city," he "We live in a City where said. "We had our differences, but 90 percent of the time we could bring light to our City homes and so it's even more agreed and only 10 percent we

Cohen Florence Levine spring health fair April 10

Spring into health this season with free medical screenings while enjoying fresh, delicious snacks. Cohen Florence Levine Estates on Admiral's Hill, part of Chelsea Jewish Lifecare (www. chelseajewish.org), will join together with Greater Lynn Senior Service to present a "Spring Open House Health Fair" on Wednesday, April 10 from 2-4 p.m. Attendees will have access to screenings for blood pressure, fall prevention, nutrition, heart assessments and general health in-

healthy snacks will be served and recipes to promote healthy eating will be distributed to all

Located on scenic Admiral's Hill at 201 Captains Row in Chelsea, the assisted livings are comprised of two separate residences: Cohen Florence Levine Estates, a traditional assisted living and Florence & Chafetz Home for Specialized Care, a residence for those in need of additional memory support services. Amenities include fresh healthy meals,

formation. An array of fresh, a café with home-made baked goods, hair and nail salon, library, living room, great room for concerts and shows, dining room and outdoor courtyard area for seasonal recreational

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feel it is very important that a dish like the pupusa is being highlighted.

"We're very excited because we opened the restaurant in 2000, and since then we've participated in different events like Taste of Chelsea and others," he said. "However, this is the first time it's going to be just about the Latino cuisine – particularly the pupusa. That's a very huge thing.

A pupusa is a thick corn tortilla stuffed with cheese and beans – sometimes meats as well. Curtido is a common side dish with the pupusa and it is a vinegar-based slaw made of cabbage and carrots – and a touch of spiciness.

"I think the city manager

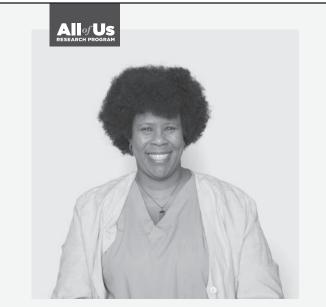
and Mimi and Chelsea Prospers are doing a great job because I'm not 100 percent sure, but I think it's the first time there is an event just about Latino food. It also opens up the opportunity for this to happen again. I would love to see this as an opportunity to start a tradition and that it won't be a one-time event."

He also said it gives homage to the culture in Chelsea, but a culture that is changing.

"The City is changing," he said. "The Latino community has been in Chelsea many

The Pupusa Fiesta will take place on Sunday, April 7, from 2-5 p.m. at Emiliana Fiesta, 35 Fourth St. It is a free event.

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At the Planning Board meeting last week, at the conclusion

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of the vote on the affordable housing proposal for upper Broad-

way by TND and Traggorth, it was stated that a supermajority of

votes were needed for a favorable recommendation.

This week, City officials said that was incorrect.

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proceeds going to the rebuilding of the memorial," said Thompson.

Chris Flahive and his team of chefs from the Chelsea Yacht Club will team up with the firefighters to cook up 40 gallons of chili for the event.

On April 13 at the New Brown Jug, owner Michael Matrinko will host a fundraiser during which 20 percent of all food sales will go the firefighters memorial fund. There will be a raffle drawing for a \$10,000 cash prize.

Every year on the first Sunday of June, the firefighters hold ceremonies at the site. Thompson is hopeful that the project will be completed by that date.

"I'm very excited to see this come to fruition," said Thompson. "With the help of



Members of the Chelsea Fire Department are pictured at the site of the Chelsea Firefighters Memorial that will be renovated. From left, are Firefighter Rafael Vaquerano, Firefighters Efrain Vaquerano, Capt. Michael Thompson, Firefighter Tony Nieves Jr., and Capt. Richard Carroccino.

the citizens of Chelsea, we're can be sent to the Chelsea going to meet our goal and get it done."

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enrollment, Bourque said. Between January of 2018 and January of this year, she said Chelsea schools have lost 217 students. That is part of a larger trend of falling enrollment over nearly a decade, according to the superintendent.

Carlisle voted against the proposed budget, but said the problem with the \$95.4 million figure laid not with the City, but with the state.

"The problem is with the state," said Carlisle. "They are not doing the right thing, and we have to send them a mes-

School Committee member Ana Hernandez backed the budget, but said it wasn't a decision made lightly.

"The votes we make are very hard," she said. "This budget is what we dread every year. We have to make a decision for the best of the entire school system.'

But for DePatto, further cuts to teaching positions was a bridge too far to support the FY '20 budget. He said the schools laid off seven teachers in 2017, 20 in 2018, 10 in 2019, and have projected another 10 for 2020.

"Forty seven teachers and 25 paraprofessionals," he said. "When is it going to stop? I can't vote for this budget (when) I don't support these

School Committee member Yessenia Alfaro-Alvarez voted in support of the budget, stating that it was in the best interest of the City's students to pass the budget, and also noting that Chelsea is hamstrung by declining enrollments and inequities in the state funding formula.

•In other business, the Committee voted to forgo School Choice for the 2019-20 school year.

•The School Committee also approved a field trip to New York City for high school and middle school REACH students to participate in the Andover Bread Loaf Writing Conference in May.

SCHOOL UPDATES

DISTRICTWIDE

•This week REACH was honored to meet Anthony Hodges (Salem State Women's Basketball Coach). In REACH's weekly community meeting "Real Talk," Anthony shared the details of his long recovery from a car accident that left him paralyzed. Due to his strong family, positive mentality and hard work in rehab and physical therapy, Anthony regained his ability to walk and then accomplished his goal of playing on the team at Salem State basketball team again.

•The English Learner Coaches completed learning walks at the Complex and are working together to enhance EL programming across all schools. This team is dedicated to support teachers and to continue to support all Chelsea students improve their Academic Language.

•Come see CHS' Spring Musical: Once on This Island on April 4-6 at 7 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium. Seating is limited so get your tickets early. Tickets are on sale now. \$7 for Students, Teachers, and Senior Citizens. \$10 for Adults.

On behalf of the CHS Performing Arts Department and the Drama Club, I hope to see you in our audience supporting our fabulous cast and crew. Thank you for your continued support.

OPPORTUNITY ACADEMY

•The Chelsea Opportunity Academy (COA) held its second parent/teacher/student conferences. We had a strong turnout of parents and students. COA students volunteered to be greeters at the main entrance, take care of our younger guests so parents could meet with teachers and serve our parents pizza or pu-

BERKOWITZ SCHOOL UPDATES

•In science, students learned about friction. They applied their knowledge in a contest to see which group could slow down a toy car and get it to stop as close to the end of the ramp as possi-

KELLY SCHOOL **UPDATES**

•Kelly School writers have been working on opinion writing. In Ms. Donato's class, students became punctuation pals, capital kings and queens, and proof reading pals to make editing a little more fun.It paid off when her students were able to convince Mrs. Taylor's class we had the best books to share.

•Parents on the Kelly School Site Council organized an amazing Multicultural Family Night on March 28. Students, families, and staff shared food, music, and traditional clothing from the many cultural heritages that are part of our Kelly School family, including Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Morocco, and the USA. Many people enjoyed sampling food and drinks they'd never tried before, and everyone enjoyed the dancing and costume parade. Special thanks to the many families and local businesses who donated food and materials, and of course to Family Liaison Yolanda Colon.

•3rd grade Caminos students with Mrs. Berganza wrote poems in Spanish about the power of being bilingual. Ruby Necith Forbes and others read theirs aloud at last Friday's assembly. Ruby's poem is about speaking three languages: English, Spanish, and French Creole.

SOKOLOWSKI **SCHOOL UPDATES**

•The Sokolowski School had their annual Family Literacy Night. Families had the opportunity to play literacy based games while enjoying some healthy snacks. There were raffles and prizes for all that attended. Thanks to everyone that made the night a success.

BROWNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

•8th Grade Browne students used balloons to examine the Coriolis Effect and discover more about Earth's weather systems.

CLARK AVENUE UPDATES

•The Monster on Trial. Ms. Carmona's ELD class recently finished reading Frankenstein and had a mock trial to determine whether the monster was guilty or innocent. Split into two teams of lawyers, students presented their opening statements, evidence, and closing statements. After hearing all of the evidence, Judge Carmona ruled that the monster was guilty.

CHELSEA HIGH **UPDATES**

•Attached are two photos of the school counselors in Bridge Academy with seniors from the class of 2019 on visits to Bunker Hill community college.

CHELSEA ALUMNI

•The Chelsea High Class of 1999 is having its 20th Reunion on Saturday, June 22, at 7 p.m. in Antonia's at the Beach, 492 Revere Beach Blvd., Revere. Ticket packages and gear are available. For more info e-mail Chelsea-HighClass99@gmail.com.



Youth and Staff from the Chelsea REACH program spoke at the School Committee Meeting on March 28. Thank you to the School Committee members for approving the REACH Literacy Through Hip-Hop trip to Andover Bread Loaf's spring writing conference in the Bronx, New York. Students Rosa Brito Martins, Allison Bermudez, Christopher Mena and Danilson Ribiero spoke at

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BRING ON THE SPRING

Yes, we know that the calendar told us that spring officially began with the vernal equinox on March 20. And yes, the crocuses have been in full bloom, bringing a welcome burst of color to the otherwise-dreary New England landscape at this time of year.

But those of us who call Eastern Massachusetts home know all-too-well that the actual spring season does not get underway until well into April and May, thanks primarily to the sea-breezes that wash over us with air that has been cooled by ocean temperatures that are only in the high 40s.

Still, with the winter of 2019 in the rear-view mirror, we can't complain too much about the weather.

The past winter season was easy on our backs because of the lack of snow that needed to be shoveled. Power outages were almost non-existent compared to the past few years. And coastal flooding, the bane of residents in our low-lying areas, thankfully did not occur, despite the potential that existed with the extraordinarily high tides in January, February, and March because of those super moons.

Still, we know that spring can bring its share of nasty and troublesome weather events. The bombogenesis (the term refers to a weather system that essentially explodes when the barometric pressure drops 24 millibars within 24 hours) that occurred with the coastal storm that came up the Atlantic Seaboard this week thankfully stayed out to sea.

But this near-miss served as a reminder that we may not be so lucky the next time around.

Still, with mild temperatures in the forecast for the first half of April, we can't complain -- and, like hope, our thoughts of warmer weather spring eternal.

DIDOMENICO JOINS ARTS MATTER ADVOCACY DAY

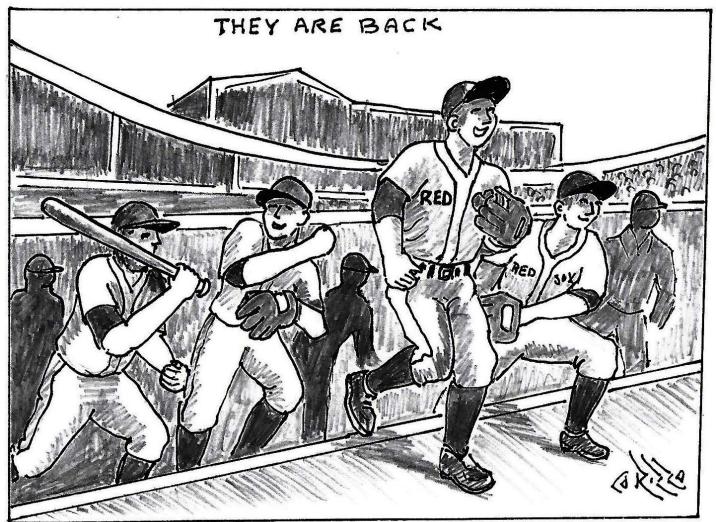


Sen. Sal DiDomenico recently met with advocates from his district who were at the State House as part of MASSCreative's Arts Matter Advocacy Day. "Funding for the arts has always been one of my top priorities," said DiDomenico, whose district is a hub for prominent art organizations and projects. "I'm looking forward to partnering with our Commonwealth's arts organizations to secure additional resources for my district and our Commonwealth." During the meeting, Sen. DiDomenico's constituents told him about their respective professions in the arts, and together they discussed how the arts can be further supported in the budget and through key legislation. He is pictured here with residents from Charlestown, Chelsea, Cambridge, and Everett.

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BOSTON RED SOX, APRIL 9TH FENWAY PARK

Encore Boston Harbor said to have handled two harassments well

By Seth Daniel

During the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) hearing into Wynn's suitability on Tuesday morning, it was revealed that two sexual harassment complaints had been leveled against an executive at the Everett office in 2017 and 2018.

Attorney Denise Murphy, a Boston attorney hired by the MGC to investigate Encore, reported to the Commissioners during the hearing that she was brought on to look at two complaints made at Encore since its inception and how they were handled.

On both, she said that despite having limited resources due to it being in the beginning stages of the project, the company handled the complaints very well.

The executive who was the subject of the complaints was said to have been removed from the company, with a significant reason for the removal being the two complaints.

"I think actually the company did everything right in the context of their limited resources then located in Boston," said Murphy to the

MGC. "The attorney handling the matter reached out appropriately and did everything she could to assure the victim they were in the right..."

The first complaint against the executive – who was brought in as a specialist to help open the casino – came when a female worker was disturbed when the executive massaged her from behind on the shoulders and acted awkwardly as she made airplane reservations for him on a computer.

She never reported it to anyone, but was visually disturbed in front of a male co-worker. That co-worker learned what happened and reported it to Attorney Jacqui Krum, who was the on-site attorney at the time. Krum informed executives in Las Vegas and local attorneys as well.

After looking into the executive's background, they found no previous incidents and determined it was a "he said, she said" situation.

"They did multiple interviews," she said. "They spoke to every single person identified by the complainant. They found the person was incredibly socially awkward, isolated, nerdy and unique. This was

a special knowledge person there because he had special knowledge of how to get the job done at casinos. He had done so at multiple locations. Matt Maddox suggested him because this person had the skill set to get Encore Boston Harbor off and running. They had had a disaster before at an opening and they wanted the best possible opening for Encore Boston Harbor."

The second complaint came in July 2018 against the same executive and another female co-worker.

In this case, just prior to the July 4th holiday, the executive and the complainant went to Starbucks for coffee. When the woman tried to pay for the coffee, the executive overrode her, putting his hand over her mouth and presenting his own credit card to pay.

The complainant was very distressed and reported the incident that same day on a supervisory call with her Las Vegas superiors. Those Las Vegas superiors then informed Attorney Krum, who with a human resources professional from Las Vegas, put their holiday plans on hold to investigate the matter immediately.

They spoke to every person and every witness identified. They spoke to the female complainant and to the executive.

The executive had been in multiple trainings for sexual harassment and workplace behavior, as well as an enhanced training.

"It became quite clear this person had no idea how bad his behavior was no matter how many times he was told," said Murphy. "He just had no boundaries...It was a significant factor I was told in him no longer being with the company."

Murphy said she also reviewed Encore's policies and procedures around sexual harassment.

There were several policies and procedures that she said were not very good practices, including a policy early on that required the complainant to have to meet with the alleged harasser.

"No victim of harassment should be required to confront their employer," she said. "That requirement is no longer there in the policy."

She said Encore has also changed several other policies that are contrary to best practice, or against the law.

CITY COUNCIL DESIGNATES WHITE RIBBON DAYS, PLEDGES TO WORK TOWARDS END OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



Monday night, The City Council approved a resolution introduced by Council President Damali Vidot recognizing all days in March as White Ribbon Days and pledging to actively participate in the campaign to end domestic violence. The Council was joined by Kourou Pich, Co-Executive Director of HarborCOV, which provides safety and support services, along with housing and economic opportunities that promote long-term stability for people affected by violence and abuse.



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"The goal is to be attractive and be maintained and lit well," she said. "It's also transparency of the windows. We're telling folks not to have the big frosted glass and we would like the business to take down the big metal grates. In a lot of cases, they aren't necessary because it can done other ways. We can meet the goal of safety and meet the goal of feeling safe and having an attractive façade.'

One of the problems, she said, is that the regulations for signage and façade improvements are woefully outdated - in some cases not allowing simple things like a blade sign. A blade sign is a suspended sign that faces those walking on the sidewalk. Because of the outdated regulations, she said, many store owners are hesitant to make upgrades that could be a code violation.

"The downtown has always been a bunch of things, but the rules never changed so it means the businesses can't update or maintain their facades," she added.

Alberto Calvo of Stop & Compare Supermarket said they improved their façade and sign a few years ago, and it made a huge difference. He's excited to see that happen throughout the business district.

"We're absolutely excited to see movement toward the revamping of sign ordinances," offered Calvo, also executive vice president of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce. "A few years ago, we at Stop & Compare in Chelsea invested significantly to improve our building's façade and to install updated, modern signage. It has made a marked, positive difference in our foot traffic and sales at that location, and I very much want to see other businesses in the Downtown corridor benefit from these kinds of improvements."

Chelsea Chamber President Joseph W. Mahoney added, "We do get member businesses, and non-members, too, asking whether there are programs to assist business owners to fund signage and façade improvements. For façades, we know that there is a small program to be made available, but the roll-out of the façade program has been at least a couple of years in the making. Our understanding is that there may also be a cost-sharing program for signage as well. The new signage ordinances still need to be passed by the City Council, so we've been telling businesses to sit tight, but be ready. We've been saying the same thing to our member and non-member businesses in the signage business. We suggested to Craig Murphy, owner of our member Cambridge Reprographics, start talking to people now.'

"I think businesses are most excited about the potential return of blade signs," Mahoney elaborated, "those that are perpendicular to the building." Newburyport's shopping district is full of those signs.

When one drives down its streets, one can see the businesses' signs before accidentally passing them. Pedestrians also can spot their destination from a half-block away

•Another piece of the regulations addresses outdoor or sidewalk dining – which was pioneered by the Ciao! Market on Broadway two summers ago. It was a success, by most accounts, and Graney said they would like to encourage others to try it.

First, however, they wanted to put some standards in place. The regulations would only allow such dining on sidewalks and they would have to be immediately in front of the business. The furniture would have to be matching and of a high quality. There would have to be a safety plan, and businesses would be responsible for the area. No alcohol service would be allowed for the time being.

Seasonal heaters for outdoor dining are also being considered.

"Realistically, there's not a lot of space," she said. "Downtown, where this works, it's

two or three tables or six people. It's similar to what Ciao! Did on their pilot."

Addressing the proposed sidewalk dining ordinance, Chamber Executive Director Rich Cuthie was slightly more

cautious. "Edson and Marvin from Ciao Pizza definitely have been the market movers on this and need to be applauded," he said. "They put in the work and time with the City to test it out. But let's say it's a nice summer evening and you and I wanted to have a beer and split a plate of nachos al fresco at a local restaurant on Broadway; maybe an after work meeting or just something social. We sit down at the table and chairs on the sidewalk and then are told, 'No, sorry. No alcohol is allowed outside.' Like many people, we're just going to get up, apologize, and either go to the inside of that restaurant, or another restaurant, or worse, decide to move our meeting or dinner to another town."

Cuthie said there is no compelling argument for a business owner to make the investment in tables, chairs, and staffing while also having to insure against additional outdoor liabilities if the potential revenues to offset those costs are not there.

"No mistake," Cuthie continued, "we're happy and appreciative that the City is moving to try to formally create a path to outdoor dining, but without beer, wine, and cocktails-which by the way are a restaurant's highest margin offerings and offset food costs, we're missing the mark and I have to reserve judgment on the initiative's ultimate success. I don't want Chelsea to always be 10 years behind other communities. We need proper updating now so that people will say, 'It's a beautiful evening, let's have some margaritas and good Latin food in Chelsea tonight. We'll decide where we want to eat when we get there, because there are so many outdoor dining choices.'

NEWS Briefs by Seth Daniel

SPRING EGG HUNT

Children ages 2-10 bring your own basket and hop on over to Chelsea's Easter Egg Hunt taking place on Saturday, April 13, at the Mary C. Burke Complex, 300 Crescent Ave., 10 a.m. Egg Hunt for ages 2-6; and 11 a.m. Egg Hunt for ages 7-10. Registration is required. Cost \$1. Register online visit: HYPERLINK "http://recreation.chelseama. gov" \t "_blank" recreation. chelseama.gov. or in person at Williams Building, 180 Walnut Street, Monday - Friday 4-8:30pm and Saturday 9-4:30pm.

YOUTH COMMISSION

The City of Chelsea is ac-

cepting applications for its Youth Commission. Members of the Youth Commission will advise and assist the City Council, the School Committee, and the City Manager in the development of policies, programs, and delivery of services for the health and welfare of Chelsea's youth and their families. The Youth Commission is comprised of eleven members each being appointed to the position for a one-year term beginning in September, 2019. Interested applicants must be Chelsea residents between the ages of 13 and 20 and currently enrolled in high school. Members will be appointed by City Manager Tom Ambrosino with the approval of the City

Council.

Ideal members of the Youth Commission have a solution-focused attitude and are passionate about making an impact on their community. Members meet the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month and attend additional meetings as needed. Youth interested in being considered for the Commission need to fully commit to making a difference in our community. Applications are available online at https://tinyurl.com/chelseayouthcommissionapply, in Spanish at https://tinyurl.com/solicitudchelsea. For more information call 617-466-4073 or emailyouthcommission@chelseama. gov. The application deadline is Monday, April 29, 2019.

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EARLY MORNING DRUG RAID ON **SPENCER**

The Chelsea Police Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant at 123 Spencer Ave. #3 March 25 resulting in the arrest of Sandy Villanalona-Avalo, 32, for Trafficking in Heroin. The search warrant was the result of an ongoing investigation of drug dealing from that address. A second male present was arrested on non-drug-related charges. Police seized approximately 100 grams of heroin and seized nearly \$2,000 in cash in the morning raid.

Chelsea Police remind the community they can report crimes or suspicious activity anonymously in various formats. Citizens can call the 24 hr "tips" line at 617-466-4880, email reports directly from the department's website at www.chelseapolice.com or download for free the MYPD App that is compatible with both Android and Apple smartphones. All three ways are monitored and anonymous

THREATENED WITH A WRENCH

On March 30, at 9:30 p.m., while assigned in Bellingham

Square officers were flagged down at the Dunkin Donuts by a female party. She told officers her male friend was attacked earlier in the day by a female with a wrench. At that moment, that the female was inside the Chelsea Walk Pub. The female was also alleged to have threatened the male victim just before the officers arrived. The female was positively Identified and arrested on the scene. Offices located

POLICE Briefs By SETH DANIEL AND PAUL KOOLLOIAN

Maria Puente, 50, of 66 Chester Ave., was charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, threatening to commit a crime and carrying a dangerous weapon.

a knife hidden in the small of

her back during the arrest.

UNDER THE INFLUENCE

On March 21, at 2:24 a.m., a CPD officer observed green motor vehicle parked up on a curb on the corner of Addison and Carter Streets. The officer saw the interior light of this green motor vehicle was on, the car appeared empty, and had heavy right side damage. The officer observed an unidentified male standing in the middle of Carter Street, who appeared to be on a cell phone, near a second vehicle that sustained damage. The

officer attempted to ascertain from the male what happened, but the male fled. The male was placed into custody after being apprehended by other officers. The officer developed evidence that the male was the operator of the vehicle involved. The male failed a sobriety test on the scene.

Miguel Matos-Martinez, 22, of 38 Grove St., was charged with OUI Liquor, disorderly conduct, and three counts of leaving the scene of property damage.

CAUGHT WITH HEROIN

On March 21, at 2:30 p.m., officers observed a vehicle parked in the lot of Eastern Avenue Dunkin Donuts. The officers found the male party slumped over the steering wheel of the car. The officers requested medical assistance, and the male was transported to CHA Everett. Officers recovered from inside the vehicle what was believed to be a class "A" substance. The officers will summons the subject into court for illegal possession of class "A" drugs.

Steven Goodrich, 29, of Lowell, was charged with possession of Class A drugs (heroin), resisting arrest, and two warrants.

BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins lock up 'home ice advantage'

When the Bruins are on their game they can make it look easy. Following backto-back losses over the weekend to two non-playoff teams (Florida and Detroit), they bounced back nicely with a strong 6-2 victory Tuesday night over the feisty Columbus Blue Jackets. With the Jackets struggling to lock up a playoff spot, there were many things in their favor: Goaltender Sergei Bobrovsky with three shutouts in his last five games; the Jackets riding a five-game win streak at home; and the chance to get into the playoffs with a win. Enter the Bruins, coming off two tough losses, looking to lock up second place and home ice – resiliency and puck-luck was in Boston's corner for this one, with a couple of odd bounces that resulted in Bs goals. Add to that the third-place Toronto Maple Leafs also losing to the Carolina Hurricane on Tuesday, and the Bruins punched their card for second place and the all-important home ice.

This week the NHL named Brad Marchand the Third Star of the Month of March, coming off his month-long strong performance earning him impressive numbers - 9 goals/14 assists and a 23-point total in the 15 games played in March - fitting in that he was named Third Star for the month of March (March-and)! This season continues to be a career highlight for Marchand, most notably hitting the 100-point season mark, thus becoming the 10th Bruins player to accomplish that high watermark, joining Bobby Orr, Johnny Bucyk, Phil Esposito, Rick Middleton, Adam Oates, Ken Hodge, Barry Pederson, Joe Juneau, and done most recently by Joe Thornton (2002-03). Marchand also added his name to Bruins records by scoring his franchise record 26th shorthanded goal.

While the Bruins' top line has been piling up the points (David Pastrnak 37-41-78), Marchand (36-64-100), and Patrice Bergeron (32-47-79), you can still appreciate the secondary scoring they've gotten, especially from Jake DeBrusk who has scored four goals in his last four games, giving him 27 goals thus far in his sophomore season, with two regular season games to play. Kudos to Bruins GM Don Sweeney who plucked DeBrusk in the 2015 firstround at #14, and the Edmonton native has already paid dividends. Additional career highs have been posted by Torey Krug who matched his jersey number with 47 assists (53 points), and David Krejci who has now passed the 70-point mark for the second time, with 52 assists (71 points).

Marcus Johansson, playing his third game for Boston, took a bit of pressure off his back on Tuesday, depositing his first goal as a Bruin. Winger Karson Kuhlman has appeared in nine games for Boston and has been a bright light, with his five-

point contribution (3-2). With second-place secured, head coach Bruce Cassidy now has the option of resting players, as he deems necessary, The lone goal that remains would be the chance to win the final two regular season games and have a second 50-win season. Probably not that important, as Cassidy's target goal is still the Stanley Cup! He will also enter the Stanley Cup Playoffs with two excellent goaltenders in Tuukka Rask, who with his solid 30-save performance on Tuesday, now has stats that include: 27-12-0-5 with a 2.42 goals against, and a save percentage of .915. Backup Jaroslav Halak mirrors Rask's numbers closely, with a record of 21-11-0-4 a 2.40 goals against, and a save percentage of .920.

Tonight (Thursday 8:00pm) with the Minnesota Wild who are mathematically eliminated from a playoff spot, will host the Bruins. Boston's final home and regular season game will be on Garden ice as the Bruins get a second crack at the Tampa Bay Lightning in a 1:00pm matinee. Look for possible watered-down lineups as Tampa and Boston will likely be resting players before the start of the playoffs, which begin on Wednesday April 10th, with the Bruins expected to start on Thursday April 11th – although the playoff schedule not yet officially been announced by the NHL.

NOTICE

The Chelsea Water & Sewer Department will be conductin fire hydrant flushing beginning on Sunday, April 7, 2019. We anticipate that this work will continue for about three weeks and will be conducted on Sunday through Wednesday nights, starting at 8:00 p.m. and finishing by 6:00 a.m.

Hydrant flushing is necessary to continuously improve water quality and ensure proper flows throughout the City of Chelsea.

Water may be temporarily discolored during and after this work. You are encouraged to check for discolored water prior to washing clothes.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact the Chelsea Water & Sewer Department at 617-466-4310 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. During off hours please leave a message and we will contact you as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for patience and cooperation.

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VIETNAM VETERANS BOULDER REDECIATION CEREMONY

Photos by Keiko Hiromi

A Vietnam Veterans boulder rededication ceremony took place at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home on National Vietnam the first time during the cere-War Veteran Day, on March 29. Due to construction, the boulder has been moved from

Malone Park to a new location between the Williams House and Vinnie's Place at the Soldiers' Home. The affixed plaque was also unveiled for mony. Approximately 58,220 U.S service members died in Vietnam including 1,331 who were from Massachusetts.



Vietnam veterans Ray Minigan, William "Katfish" Cain and James





Pictured above, Vietnam veterans Joseph Markowski, Thomas Kasieckai and Olivia Anne Walsh.

To the left, Vietnam veteran James Smith ringing a bell as names of Vietnam casualties from Chelsea were read.



Vietnam veteran Larry Gwin, Tim Lazotti and Vietnam veteran



The POW/MIA seat was placed next to the new boulder location.

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FUNDRAISER IN MEMORY OF TRINA AND IRENA WILKERSON

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Reginal "Reggie" Wilkerson hosted a fundraiser in memory of his sister, Trina Wilkerson, and his mother, Irena A. Wilkerson, Saturday night at the Merritt Club in Chelsea.

When Mrs. Irena Wilkerson died in June, 2014, her daughter, Trina, decided to organize a fundraiser and donate the proceeds to the American Cancer Society. An outstanding party planner who basked in the warmth and goodwill of bringing joy to others, Trina

that raised funds for cancer research.

Trina died unexpectedly on March 6, 2019 and Reggie pledged to continue his sister's tradition of bringing the family and friends together for the great cause.

Saturday night the Wilkerson and Robinson families celebrated the lives of Mrs. Wilkerson and her daughter, Trina, who helped so many youths in a positive way through her work as a counselor.

Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, who was one of

hosted four successful events Reggie's coaches in the Chelsea Youth Baseball League, was among the many local residents who attended the

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Joan Cromwell, president of the Chelsea Black Community, was also in attendance. Trina Wilkerson was a 2017 Chelsea Trailblazer Award recipient.

Also in attendance were Autumn Lopez, one of the greatest basketball players in Chelsea High history known for her unselfish play, and former Williams School hoop great Melvin "Willie" Ford.



Melvin "Willie" Ford, with members of the Robinson family.



The Wilkerson family.



Reggie Wilkerson and Margaret Robinson.



Stacey Smith and Beverly Martin-Ross.



The Robinson family.



Reggie Wilkerson, with his coach, mentor, and friend, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson. Reggie's Bucks won a CYBL title with Bruce Harrison as head coach and Leo Robinson as assistant coach.



Reggie Wilkerson and his daughter, Alexxa Wilkerson.



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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

HERNANDEZ RESIGNS FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

CHELSEA- In a sudden move, District 5 School Committee member Julio Hernandez has resigned – one of the City's up-and-coming political figures that many thought had a big future on the Committee.

Hernandez, a Chelsea High graduate, told the Record this week that it was with a heavy heart that he resigned, and he felt it was necessary as he had to work more hours and attend college at the same time.

"When I ran for office, I had more support from my family," he said. "As rent started getting higher, I knew that I needed more income, and while still being in college, I decided to look at other jobs

"I loved working in the School Committee, but it also made me angry to see some members not show up to meetings, not ask questions, and not have thorough discussions regarding our students' education," he continued. "Student advocacy has always been my platform, to serve all students the right way. From starting the policy of an outdoor graduation, to having the opportunity to work with many teachers who really care about this community. I now believe School Committee Members should be appointed, because our student's education is no joke."

Hernandez, 20, said college, family and financial constraints hit all at once this year, and he couldn't in good conscience serve on the Committee while not being able to show up.

"I know once I'm done with college, I'll be back to serve the community I love and cherish," he said. "I want to thank all the people who supported me, and are still supporting me in my time of sorrow."

At Monday night's City Council meeting, Council President Damali Vidot said Hernandez had given notice to the City Clerk that he would be stepping down as of April.

Because his resignation is more than 180 days from a City Election, Vidot said the City Charter calls for a joint meeting of the Council and the School Committee within 30 days to appoint a replacement. That replacement would serve through the city election in November, when the position will be on the ballot.

"Julio was an incredible leader during his tenure," said District 5 City Councillor Judith Garcia. "He did an incredible job while on the School Committee and was a great representative for District 5."

Garcia encouraged anyone from District 5 who is interested to apply for the open

However, Councillor-At-Large Roy Avellaneda said the Council and the School Committee may want to leave the position open until the municipal election.

"I may have some reservations about filling the post," said Avellaneda. "There's only one more month until (candidates can) pull papers, and then the election is in November. I feel it may be best to leave the seat unfilled."

Appointing someone to a short-term on the School Committee would give that person a leg up on other candidates who run for the seat in the general election, Avellaneda said.

PLANNING BOARD APPROVES MARIJUANA SHOP

CHELSEA - A retail marijuana shop on Webster Avenue near the Home Depot is one step closer to opening in Chelsea

The Planning Board approved a site plan for a 10,000

square-foot retail marijuana facility at 121 Webster Ave. by The Western Front, LLC.

The pot shop still needs additional approvals from the state's Cannabis Control Commission as well as the local Zoning and Licensing Boards before it can officially open its doors. But local officials have praised the plans for the facility, which is filing for a license to operate under a state economic empowerment provision.

The economic empowerment provision helps provide for minority populations that have faced the brunt of marijuana prohibition punishments achieve social and economic justice, according to Timothy Flaherty, the attorney representing the Western Front team.

The Western Front's board includes a number of Massachusetts business and community leaders who have addressed social justice issues in the past, including board chair Marvin Gilmore.

Gilmore has a long and storied history in the Boston area and beyond. He co-founded Unity Bank and Trust, was a major real estate developer in the Southwest Corridor of Boston, owned the storied Western Front nightclub in Cambridge, and was awarded the Legion of Honor, among other awards, for helping storm the beaches of Normandy in World War II.

Economic empowerment applications get priority for consideration at the Cannabis Control Commission, Flaherty said.

As for the proposed site at 121 Webster Ave., Flaherty said as a stand-alone building in an area with adequate parking, is an optimal site for a retail marijuana facility.

All marijuana products will be shipped in pre-packaged from a wholesaler, and the facility will feature a host of security measures, from cameras the Chelsea Police can

GETTING FENWAY READY FOR THE SEASON



John Coyne, of Revere, gets ready for Opening Day for the Boston Red Sox on April 9 and hangs the 2018 World Series Champions banner at Fenway Park.

immediately access to a what Flaherty called a mind-boggling number of alarms.

Chelsea police officials were satisfied with the security measures for the building, according to John DePriest, the City's planning director.

Inside the shop, plans also call for a future workforce development area and a work bar where consumers can gather before entering the retail sales floor.

The sales area will be like "a cross between a jewelry store and a spa," said Flaherty.

The facility will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days per week. There will be a total of about 25 employees, with eight to 10 working at any given time.

"The goal is to hire 100 percent Chelsea residents," said Flaherty.

All those employees will be trained and certified by the Cannabis Control Commission.

"I'm impressed by the

group before us and their commitment to social justice," said Council President Damali Vidot.

District 3 City Councillor Joe Perlatonda also said he was very impressed with the organization and happy that they are committed to hiring Chelsea residents.

ORDER SEEKS TO ABOLISH LIBRARIES BOARD

EVERETT - A measure proposed by Councilor Richard Dell Isola Jr. to amend the City's administrative code would effectively abolish the Everett Libraries Board of Trustees.

The measure wasn't an open and shut decision, though, as it invited significant pushback from the local community, who turned out in large numbers on Monday night to speak on behalf of the public library system.

The Everett Libraries are governed by a Board of 13 Trustees nominated by the Mayor. Their extensive responsibilities include setting library policy, approving expenses, overseeing special funds, vetting candidates for Library Director and maintaining all library buildings. Trustees often advocate for public libraries and their importance to the local community.

"The Board of Trustees is a very important role," resident Patty Cheever told Council. "It was troubling to a lot of people that this change was being made without public input."

Resident Samantha Lambert, also a Library Trustee, said, "Libraries are more than buildings, they are contributions to the character of our city. Libraries offer our cities places of respite in times of need, a haven where people

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can find their own conclusions."

Lambert urged the Council to consider input from the Board of Trustees, and also mentioned the many library resources that benefit local families that otherwise would not be available to them, like coding classes and programs for people with special needs.

Gerly Adrien, Everett resident and former candidate for state representative, also loaned her voice in support of library trustees, calling them "powerful advocates for our city."

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio motioned to postpone the vote on this issue for another two weeks until the next Council meeting. She also agreed that there should be robust community input until that point.

Councilor Anthony DiPierro asked to amend the motion to include a detailed presentation on the "reason and rationale" behind every change to the current administrative code.

Councilor Peter Napolitano mentioned that the last time there were changes to the city code six years ago, there had been a comprehensive presentation. He urged the Council to "give the powers that be the time they need to get a decent presentation together."

City Solicitor Colleen Mejia said she would need at least two weeks to get together the presentation requested by Council. At the close of the committee meeting, a date had still not been set, but Council President Dell Isola Jr. said that the Council would advertise the meeting in the newspaper as well as on Everett Community Television in order to ensure the opportunity for public participation

GEORGE McCARTHY DIES at 92

EVERETT - George R. McCarthy of Hamilton, formerly of Everett, passed away peacefully on March 22 on the eve of his 92nd birthday at the Kaplan Housein Danvers.

George was a long time resident and business own-

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er in Everett. He owned and operated the Home Appliance Service for over 45 years. He dedicated his life to public service and served on the Everett School Committee, the Board of Aldermen and was elected to six terms as Mayor. During his last term, he was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to the role of Regional Representative for the United States Department of Transportation.

George and Charlotte enjoyed a friendship with President and Mrs. Carter that spanned many years and were frequent travelers to The Carter Center in Atlanta and to Plains, Ga.

In March of 1983, George was appointed by Governor Michael Dukakis to be the Chairman of the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, a position he held for eight years until his retirement.

He was President of the Massachusetts Mayors' Association, Chairman of the Budget Committee of the MBTA, served on the National Finance Council of the Democratic National Committee and several state, civic and religious organizations.

He belonged to the Everett Chamber of Commerce, was a long-time member of the Everett Rotary Club, the American Legion and the VFW. He was the recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Rotary Award and the first recipient of the Citizens for Limited Taxation Annual award.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, leaving high school before graduation to enlist on his birthday in 1945. He was deployed to Camp Wheeler in Macon, Ga. for basic training. From there he was sent overseas to Germany as part of the peacekeeping forces. Subsequently, he was assigned to guard a sailing ship in Bremerhaven that had been a German training vessel. It was later brought to the United States, commissioned by the U.S. Coast Guard and renamed "The Eagle."

During his retirement, George and Charlotte enjoyed

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spending time in their home and traveling to Georgia, California, Montana and Florida.

George is survived by his wife of 59 years, Charlotte E. (Borggren) of Hamilton; his children: Kevin J. McCarthy of Everett, Patricia A. Bleau of Atlanta, Ga., Susan E. Mc-Carthy of Foothill Ranch, Calif., George R. McCarthy, II of Hamilton and Maureen A. Roy and her husband, Andy of Missoula, Mont. He leaves his grandchildren: Katie and Charlotte Bleau of Atlanta and Madelyn and Thomas Roy of Missoula. He was predeceased by his grandson Alex Bleau. He is also survived by his sisters-in-law: Michelle McCarthy of Ft. Myers, Fla., and Priscilla McCarthy of Dracut and by many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers, Robert and John, his sister, Connie and her husband, Edward Cohan and his parents, John R. and Madelyn (Swanton) Mc-Carthy.

Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Friday, March 29, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark Street (Corner of Main St.) Everett. Procession from the funeral home on Saturday March 30 at 10 a.m. will be followed by his Mass of Christian Burial in the Immaculate Conception Church, 487 Broadway, Everett at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in George's memory to the following would be appreciated: The Alexander Brodie Bleau Memorial Scholarship Fund at Bowdoin College, 4100 College Station, Brunswick, ME 04011 or The Carter Center, 453 Freedom Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30307.

JOE HARVARD, FT. APACHE FOUNDER DIES

EAST BOSTON - In the 1980s an East Boston guy had an idea to create a Boston recording studio that would authentically capture the emerging alternative Boston music scene. Fort Apache in Roxbury was born and artists like The Pixies, The Lemonheads, Dinosaur Jr., Morphine, Buffalo Tom, and The Mighty Mighty Bosstones were given the freedom to experiment and capture the energy of their music without sterilization.

music without sterilization.

One can argue that without Eastie's Joe Harvard the world may have never heard The Pixies. Without The Pixies and their influence on later artists like Kurt Cobain one can also argue there would have never been Nirvana and without Nirvana the grunge explosion of the early 1990s that defined a decade would have never occurred.

Harvard, an accomplished musician, music producer, artist and all-around great soul passed away on Sunday, March 24 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 60 years old.

Harvard, who was born in Jeffries Point as Joe Incagnoli, had been living in Asbury Park, N.J., since 2001 where he emerged as a leading force in the town's art and music scene renaissance.

Harvard was diagnosed with Stage 4 liver cancer late last year and documented his daily struggle with the disease through honest, and sometimes heartwrenching, social media posts.

All the while Harvard remained optimistic and continued his art and music until the end, and telling friends back in Eastie he was fighting the disease like an, "East Boston tornado!"

Sadly Harvard stopped treatment and succumbed to the disease on Sunday. His death was announced by longtime partner Mallory Messara.

"Joe passed early this morning with me and his sister by his side. Aidan arrived late last night in time to say goodbye," said Massara. "I believe Joe was waiting for her. He went very peacefully. I sang 'Sunday Morning' to him as the sun rose. Then opened a book of Rumi poems to read to him. He had one 'bookmarked', like he left it for me knowing that would be the book I picked out of the thousand on the shelf. 'Parable of the World.' And then I opened the sliding glass door to let his soul out. I figured if it was anywhere as big as his

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Born: April 2, 1957

If I could only write it
On the clouds or sky of blue.
I'd send a special message
As my birthday card to you.
I'd tell of how I miss you
And think of you each day.
I wish that I could tell you,
On this your special day.

Sadly Missed &
Love You Always,
Frank

To place a memoriam in the Chelsea Record, please call 617-387-9600

OBITUARIES

Vincent Cammarata Sr.

Retired Revere Board of Health chief agent, dedicated to Revere civic activities, politics and community involvement



Vincent F. Cammarata, who passed on Sunday, March 31 with the comfort and presence of

and presence of his God and his devoted and faithful family surrounding him. He was 95 years old.

Vincent's funeral will be conducted from the funeral home, on Thursday, April 4 at 9 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 670 Washington Ave., Revere at 10 a.m. followed by interment in Puritan Lawn Memorial Park, Peabody.

Born and raised briefly in South Boston, the family migrated to Toscano Avenue, Revere. Little did Vincent realize that he was home for more than 70 years of the rest of his long and full life within the emerging City of Revere.

He graduated from Revere High School in 1942 and, in February of 1944, joined the U.S. Navy during World War II. He served with honor and dignity (The hallmark of his life) on board the U.S.S. LST 308. On April 15, 1946, he was discharged and released to the abundanza of love that awaited him on Toscano Avenue in Revere. He was discharged at the rank of Ship Fitter-2nd Class and was the recipient of the World War II Victory Medal, European African Middle Eastern Medal with one bronze star, American Area Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Medal and a Commendation by the C.O.

He spoke about his service-time only as of late, perhaps during the last the year of his life. This indeed was another example of the intrinsic humility and dignity that ruled Vincent's life.

Vincent's time at Revere's Board of Health is legendary because of the continued respect that his name invokes. He was brilliant in the management of the countless number of complaints the Board would receive. The late Anna Flynn, Secretary to the Board, of happy remembrance, would often tell of the perfect patience that Vincent would execute in the resolution of the daily drama and problems. His time as a senior code enforcement inspector for the Revere Board of Health spanned over 18 years.

His life was dedicated to civic activities, politics and community involvement. He served as a member of the Revere Park Commission and was on the fund-raising committee for the former Revere Hospital. His life included a term as a Revere School Committeeman from 1960 to 1963. He served a 15-year term with the Revere Conservation



Committee, retiring two years ago at the age of 93. Vincent gave to the city of Revere, a 45-year span of service and unparalleled dedication in the field of political and community service.

He was also a very active member of St. Mary's Holy Name Society. He maintained a membership as the senior member of the Revere Knights of Columbus #179 for over 40 years. His family were among the founders and builders of the first St. Mary's, which was then called St. Lucy's Church. Through the expertise and comradery, with his cousin, Vincent "Sonny" Cammarata, they were able to establish a committee to create and organize the new St. Lucy's Chapel.

Again, the Cammarata family was instrumental in the establishment of the Pietrapezzia Lodge OSIA, Lodge 491. Pietrapezzia is a village located off the coast of Italy on the island of Sicily from where the Cammarata family immigrated to America.

On July 10, 2004, the love of Vinny's life, his wife, Lucy M. (Ribaudo), passed unexpectedly. The loss was great to the entire family, but especially to Vinny.

The devoted father of Dr. Salvatore L. Cammarata and his wife, Barbara A. of Lynnfield, John V. Cammarata of Revere, Rosemary S. Pisani and her husband, Paul F. of Lynnfield and Vincent F. Cammarata, Jr. and his wife, Grail of Fairport, N.Y., he was the dear brother of the late Theresa L. Cammarata and Rocco J. Cammarata and his late wife, Antonetta; cherished grandfather to Jason V. Cammarata and his wife, Liz, Paul F. Pisani, Jr. and his wife, Catherine, Erich J. Cammarata, Damian V. Pisani and his wife, Lisa, Anthony P. Pisani and his girlfriend, Vanessa Molle, Sarah E. Cammarata and her boyfriend, Chris Lewis, Tessabella M. Cammarata and Zoe E. Cammarata and beloved great-grandfather, "Pano" to Olivia, Anthony and Gia Pisani. He is also lovingly survived by a proud family of nieces, nephews and cousins. For more information, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.

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Investigators found a culture of secrecy, failure to follow policies for Steve Wynn complaints

By Seth Daniel

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) unveiled its long-anticipated investigation of Wynn Resorts and Encore Boston Harbor and reported they found a company culture that did not follow policies when allegations were made against former CEO Steve Wynn, and also used extreme secrecy to hide allegations and settlements involving him in several cases.

That, however, was tempered also by a laundry list of changes that the company has made in the last 14 months, including ousting Steve Wynn and implementing a robust corporate governance structure.

"However," said Karen Wells, MGC Investigations and Enforcement Bureau (IEB) director, "the past cannot be erased by these changes."

That set the tone for the unveiling of what had been found over the last year by the IEB using thousands of pages of information, conducting hundreds of witness interviews, and traveling to six states to produce the report. That report had been held up with a lawsuit from Steve Wynn last November asserting attorney-client privilege, but that suit was recently settled and that allowed the unveiling to go forward Tuesday morning.

"In evaluating the IEB investigation, it showed a pattern of certain employees, including the Legal Division, disregarding policies when it came to allegations against Mr. Wynn," she said. "It showed they made great efforts at secrecy so that it made it difficult if not impossible for gaming regulators to uncover these incidents."

Earlier, she also said, "The investigation actually revealed a culture in the company where employees hesitated to report sexual misconduct allegations against Mr. Wynn. We found the company failed to safeguard the well-being and safety of its employees."

At the outset of the investigation unveiling, Loretta Lillios, of the IEB, said what happened at the company mattered. She bookended the impending report with the idea that a gaming license is a privilege and not a right - noting that companies have to always keep proper policies and conduct in place or risk losing the license.

It was a warning that all things were on the table, including the loss of Encore's license.

"The IEB's investigation revealed the company's adherence to these criteria has been called into question," she said. "What happened at the company matters. It matters to the women who have been directly affected by the allegations of sexual misconduct. It matters to the workforce and employees here. It matters to the Commission. It matters to the people of Massachusetts... After all the evidence and testimony is presented, you will have ample information to apply the law and make a sound determination."

Wells detailed for most of her presentation the allegations against Steve Wynn, using a timeline to go through the allegations and the response to them. She started in 2005 with the settlement paid to a manicurist at Wynn Las Vegas who

claimed she had been raped by Steve Wynn and was now pregnant as a result of two such encounters. That allegation was detailed in the original Wall Street Journal article in January 2018 that opened the entire sexual misconduct situation.

A main issue, Wells said, was to not decide whether the allegations were true, but whether the company responded correctly and whether it should have divulged information to the MGC in 2013.

'The Commission is not evaluating whether the allegations are true or false, but it is evaluating the company's response to the allegations," she said. "A key question for the Commission to consider is whether the company's failure to divulge derogatory information may have a role in suitability or the suitability of a qualifier...We now know in 2013 at least three Massachusetts qualifiers had knowledge of these allegations. They were Steve Wynn, Elaine Wynn and Kim Sinatra...A key question for the Commission is whether this relevant information should

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The IEB also indicated that they tried to interview Steve Wynn several times, and he declined. However, he did release a statement that was read by Wells to the Commission.

"I had multiple sexual relationships during my tenure at Wynn Resorts and made no attempt to document them," the statement read. "I do not believe any of the specific details of these relationships are material to the issues I understand are being reviewed by the special committee. I recognize some of the names obtained in the witness questions, but have no memory of ever meeting or having relationships with the women whose names are in your questions. I deny having any relationship that was not consensual. During the time I was employed by Wynn I was aware of a code of conduct and other policies. I was not however familiar with the details of those policies."

Many of the key questions in the investigation included infor-

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ery in the case of Elaine Wvnn vs. Steve Wynn, as well as in a case known as the Okada case. Much of what was brought out in regard to the allegations and the response to them came from that case.

For Sinatra, who left the company in July 2018 with a multi-million dollar severance package, it became clear she knew of the allegations against Wynn during the 2013 suitability hearings. Yet, she did not divulge them, and the investigation seemed to suggest she wasn't clear as to what she remembered knowing.

One such exchange involved an e-mail chain where a letter detailing a hostile working environment was described. That letter in that e-mail was up for dispute as to whether Sinatra read it, read all of it, or if she even really knew about it.

Much of her responses, according to the report, were that she didn't recall a lot of informa-

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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: Tuesday, April, 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 Doug Beaudet, DG Realty, for the removal of an existing two-story residential structure and the construction of a new four-unit residential structure within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (floodplain) at 42 Blossom Street. A copy of the NOI is available for review in the Department of Planning and Development offices, Rm 101, during City Hall business hours.

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To transact any and all business that may legally come before the meeting. Respectfully submitted Arthur M. Cohan



CITY OF CHELSEA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS **REQUEST FOR PRO-POSALS DPW Work Order System** and 3-1-1 Customer Relation Management System The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through ficer, is seeking Request for Proposals for "DPW

its Chief Procurement Of-Work Order System and 3-1-1 Customer Relation Management System". Request for Proposals will be available on or after March 28, 2019 by contacting Dylan Cook, Chief Procurement Officer at dcook@chel-

seama.gov or by visiting

gov/purchasing/pages/ current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked "DPW Work Order System and 3-1-1 Customer **Relation Management** System" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 10:00AM on April 18, 2019. The City of Chelsea

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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 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 Request for Propos als is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30B. Dylan Cook Chiet Procurement

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE In accordance with Section 2-7(d) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on March 25, 2019, the City Council voted to adopt the following orders: Ordered, that the City of Chelsea accept the provisions of Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 37A

which provides that the exemption for persons who are legally blind shall be \$500.00 per year. This change shall be effective for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2019. Ordered, that the City of Chelsea accept the provisions of Chapter 653,

Section 40 of the Acts of 1989 which provides that new buildings, structures, or other physical improvements added to real property during the period beginning on January second and ending on June thirtieth of the fiscal year preceding that to which the tax relates shall be deemed part of such real property as of January first. This change shall be effective for any fiscal

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A copy of the orders are

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LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUAN TO G.L. c. 190B, s 5-304 Docket No. SU19P0561GD In the matter of: Nataly Gonzalez RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person Of: Chelsea, MA To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Ignacio Gonzalez of Chelsea, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Nataly Gonzalez is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Ignacio Gonzalez

of Chelsea, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a

Guardian is necessary. and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before

10:00 A.M. on the return date of 04/11/2019. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date. action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or

request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 13, 2019 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE In accordance with Section 6-3 (b) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission held on March 5, 2019, the Commission voted to To post a handicap sign at 107 Marlboro Street.

approve the following Regulations: To amend the hours of street sweeping on Lawrence Street from 7 am - 1 pm to 3 pm -5 pm. at 5 John Street.

To post a handicap sign To post a handicap sign at 125 Willow Street. To temporarily reverse the direction of travel on Cherry Street, from Luther Place to Fifth Street, in support of the Chelsea Night Market, between 5 pm to 11 pm on the following dates: June 8, 2019 (rain date June 15, 2019), July 13, 2019 (rain date July 20, 2019), August 10, 2019 (rain date August 17, 2019), September 21, 2019 (rain date September 28, 2019), and October 5, 2019 (rain date October 12,

2019). Jeannette Cintron White Parking Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA **REQUEST FOR PRO-POSALS** SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Request for Proposals for "School Food Services". Request for Proposals will be available on or after March 28, 2019 by contacting Dylan Cook, Chief Procurement Officer at dcook@chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website at http://www.chelseama. gov/purchasing/pages/ current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be

sealed and clearly

TISEMENT TO BID The Chelsea Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Upgrade Exterior Sanitary Sewer Systems for Union Park 667-1 and Prattville 200-2, #057094 in Chelsea, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Allen & Major Associates, The Project consists of: Remove and replace sections of sewer main. Pipe line sewer main. Work includes trench work, surface material repairs, loam and seed, temporary sewer bypass, sewer manhole invert and shelf repairs and other minor site work. Sewer lines shall be CCTV following repairs. Contractor shall coordinate with City and obtain any required permits. All

work to be performed shall meet City, State, & Federal requirements. Contractor shall coordinate requirements of MWRA 8m Permit. Work to be done at three (3) separate site locations in Chelsea. Reference Plan Set Cover Sheet for site locations. The work is estimated to cost \$213,500. Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.30§39 & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.l49 §§26 to 27H inclusive. THIS PROJECT IS BEING **ELECTRONICALLY BID** AND HARD COPY BIDS **NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please** review the instructions in the bid documents on

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LEGAL NOTICE



LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF CHELSEA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC **NOTICE OF PUBLIC** HEARING

The Department of Public Works and the Chelsea Tree Board will conduct a Public Hearing, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 87 section 3, on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Chelsea Public Library, 569 Broadway, lower level. in the Schultze Room regarding the following property owner's request: Proposed Work and Upper Broadway from City Hall Avenue- Route 16 and Revere City line Reconstruction of upper Broadway. Replacement of water, sewer. drainage, sidewalks, and roadway. Discussion ot trees that will be affected. The public is invited to attend. BERTRAM TAVERNA DIRECTOR

FIDEL MALTEZ TREE WARDEN 4/4/19

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR **PROPOSALS** Vending Machine Concession The Massachusetts Port Authority (the "Authority"), owner and operator of Boston - Logan International Airport (the "Airport") is issuing a Request for Proposals (the "RFP") from established and responsible business entities that have demonstrated expertise in the execution and management of vending machine concession programs. The Selected Respondent(s) shall have the non-exclusive rights. privileges and duties of a concessionaire of the Vending Machine Concession, as further defined in the RFP and the Vending Machine Concession Agreement, and shall be responsible for the installation and maintenance of vending machines at employee and select public locations at Boston-Logan International Airport (including in the Airport Terminals, the Airport Cargo Properties, the Rental Car Center, the Limo Pool and Taxi Pool locations, and the

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conduct a Pre-Submission 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time at the Massachusetts Port Briefing Room, 2nd Floo Old Tower, Boston-Logan International Airport, East Boston, Massachu setts 02128-2909. To confirm attendance at the Pre-Submission Conference please complete the RSVP form located on the Massport website at www.massport.com as early as possible and no later than 12:00 noon Eastern Time on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. For any questions related to the RFP, please call (617) 561-1662 or email Mr. Joseph Schirripa at ischirripa@massport.com. Pronosals must be received by the Authority at or prior to 12:00 noon Eastern Time on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the office of Mr. Michael Grieco, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One

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KELLY SCHOOL MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION

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The Kelly School in Chelsea opened its doors to host its annual Cultural Celebration. Tables representing the nations student families originated offered food and information on each piece of the patchwork of the Kelly School community. A student pageant showcased the fashion of each student's ancestral home.



Kelly School student parent Marcela Guevara, parent liaison Yolanda Valles, 1st Grade teacher Amanda Donato, and student family member Luz Escobedo serve up food and knowledge at the Mexico table.



Samantha Summa and Natalie Coreas from the Off Broadway
Dance Studio perform La Plena, a style of dance and music from
Puerto Rico.



The United States table had an classic element of our food culture, apple pie.



Houda Mobarak at the Moroccan table had food, tea, and knowledge about the North African nation to share.



Katie Ortega and Joselyn Lopez got some food at the El Salvador table.



Kenia, Daniel, and Jenny Beltran are proud of their Guatemalan heritage.



Sisters Aurora and Belen Ruiz are dressed in classic Honduran



Kelly School students dressed in the garb of their ancestral nations gather for a group shot after a quick pageant.

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"I don't recall if I knew in `14," she had responded when asked if she knew the original 2005 case included a rape allegation of the

manicurist.

Also in question was how the company responded after the Wall Street Journal article, including putting out an immediate statement of support letter for Steve Wynn to employees. That statement also included a reference to the article as being the latest strategy in Elaine Wynn's legal case against the company.

Wells said that was put out before any investigation into the matter and without consideration to employees that may have been affected by Steve Wynn's alleged behavior.

Wynn Communications Director Michael Weaver said he would not do that again if he were to do it over.

"Mr. Weaver stated to investigators that if he was to do it over again, he would do it differently," Wells testified.

Maddox also told investiga-

tors that he simply believed Steve

Wynn.
"As ridiculous as it looks now, we believed it," Wells summa-

rized. "We believed it. I know it's tone deaf."

The letter to employees went out with the input of Steve Wynn and others in the organization, but was under the signature of Wynn Las Vegas President Maurice Wooden – who indicated he was uncomfortable with the letter in his name but felt he had no choice in the matter.

That letter was followed up by what turned out to be an ill-advised Town Hall style employee meeting tour by Steve Wynn and other company officials. It had been reported in media accounts that employees at the Town Halls were asked to raise their hands if Steve Wynn had assaulted or abused them. That had not been confirmed before, but the IEB investigation revealed that Wynn Attorney Stacy Michaels told investigators that she was present and that did happen.

The remainder of the first day of hearings focused on the new Board members and the new members of the corporate hier-

The MGC listened to detailed presentations about each new

Board member and each new employee. Each told the story of how they had been recruited – some by Matt Maddox – to serve on the Board in the aftermath of the crisis at the company.

All of them were being reviewed by the MGC for suitability, and if they were qualified to serve on the Board or work in their positions.

The testimony by Wynn attorneys was to begin on Wednesday, where they would present their case and ask questions regarding the IEB report.

The MGC did remind everyone that there would be no vote at the end of the proceedings, nor would there be any sort of discussion of the report or testimony.

Instead, when all of the information had been gathered, the MGC would deliberate in private - with the option of asking for more or additional information.

At some point in the near future, they would issue their findings and their remedies – including the possibility of stripping the license – in a written report.



Genesis Ulloa gets a picture taken with her favorite ocean dwelling mammal, Kelly The Dolphin, proud mascot of the Kelly School.



Blanca Avendano (right) at the Honduran table serves Liam Hanratty baledas, a traditional dish of beans, meat, cheese, and egg in a folded tortilla.



Sonia Guevara at the Honduran table serves up a plate of fried chicken, rolled tacos, and baledas, a traditional dish of beans, meat, cheese, and egg in a folded tortilla.

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