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In contentious vote, Council votes to allow change to insurance

By Adam Swift

Current and former municipal employees crowded into Monday night's City Council meeting as the council took up a vote to allow City Manager Thomas Ambrosino to negotiate changes to the city's group health insurance policies.

Most of those employees did not leave happily or quietly as the council voted 8-2 to grant Ambrosino that authority to negotiate the changes. Councillors Roy Avellaneda and Yamir Rodriguez voted against the order, while Councillor Calvin T. Brown was not present at the meeting.

The city's current group health plan is governed by a three-year agreement with the Public Employee Committee (PEC) that expires on June 30 of this year.

"During the months of November through March, I did attempt to negotiate with the PEC a new multi-year agreement that would provide some cost savings to the group health plan," Ambrosino stated in a letter to the council. "Unfortunately, I have not been able to reach agreement with the unions."

Under Massachusetts General Laws, Ambrosino stated, in the absence of a new agreement, the old PEC agreement will remain in effect indefinitely. Without City Council action, Ambrosino said he cannot put any health care cost savings in place.

The action approved by the City Council allows the city to take advantage of recent state legislation that allows munici-

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Chelsea School **Committee** to choose Superintendent tonight

By Seth Daniel

The Chelsea School Committee is poised to offer a position to one of the three superintendent finalists tonight, May 9, at a special meeting that is expected to conclude the search

In formal terms, the Committee can only offer the position to their favored candidate. That candidate has to accept the offer, and then a contract has to be negotiated and ratified before the matter is completely official.

The three candidates include: •Anthony Parker, Weston High School principal.

•Ligia Noriega-Murphy, assistant superintendent of secondary schools in Boston Public

•Almudena Abeyta, currently the assistant superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for the Somerville Public Schools.

The three candidates have been through a whirlwind tour of the City over the last two weeks, engaging in community forums and School Committee interviews.

The final interview will take place on Thursday evening, with the Committee convening to make the decision afterward.





Marianna Claudio celebrates with Coach Ted Freeley during the Chelsea High softball game versus Lynn Tech on Weds., May 1. See Page 7 for more photos.

FBI Special Agent in Charge Bonavolonta wows the audience at JGBC Breakfast

By Cary Shuman

He had his audience totally engaged on every word, his knowledge so overwhelming, his delivery so confident and

Joseph R. Bonavolonta, FBI special agent in charge of the Boston Field Office, was the guest speaker at the Jordan Boys and Girls Club Breakfast Series Tuesday and his remarks were so captivating that he received two other guest speaking invitations before he left the hall.

"It's been an incredibly interestingly and enlightening morning - that was great," said Breakfast Chair Mark Robinson at the conclusion of Bonavolonta's remarks.

Bonavolonta took guests on an up-close look at the vital work that the United States' principal law enforcement agency does around the

around the world.

He began by illuminating "about the types of threats we're facing in our AOR (Area of Responsibility)," which is the four-state region of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Rhode Is-

He divided the subject matter between the categories of national security threats and criminal threats.

"I'll start with pure national security, that's really where we're focusing on our counter-terrorism and counter-intelligence threats, two of the absolute top threats, not only here in our area, but also nationally," said Bonavolonta.

He said the FBI is focusing on two types of counter-terrorism, international terrorism and domestic terrorism.

"International terrorism is

clock and how it affects peo- where you have your historple not only in this nation but ical terrorism threats, really pre-and-post 911: Al Qaeda and ISIS, They still are persistent. They still are significant threats for us, but the threat landscape in terrorism has really changed every year since September 11, 2001," he

Bonavolonta noted that the primary threat here is Homegrown Violent Extremists (HVE). "What I mean by that, simply, are individuals who have been self-radicalized primarily over the Internet it could be by other means as well. They go out and commit significant acts of violence against what we would call or they call to be soft targets: schools, shopping malls, any areas where there are public gatherings where you can potentially inflict mass casualties with the lowest amount of

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Breakfast Chair Mark Robinson, FBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge Kevin White, FBI Special Agent In Charge Joseph Bonavolonta, and Jordan Girls and Boys Club Executive Director Gina

City Budget request submitted and sits at \$181.5 million

By Adam Swift

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino presented a city budget just short of \$181,500,000 for Fiscal Year 2020 to the City Council Monday night.

The proposed budget funds city expenditures at \$86,095,981 and the schools at \$95,391,784 for a total budget of \$181,487,765. This budget is about \$6.5 million more than the FY19 budget, an increase of 3.71 percent.

"The FY20 budget continues support for many programs we have implemented over the past few years," Ambrosino stated in a letter to the City Council.

The City Manager is proposing full funding for social services programs in the downtown, including the Navigators and Youth Navigator program. The Health and Human Services budget also includes a new social services contract to support the ISD housing program.

The budget does include new positions in three city departments -- E-911, DPW,

and Elder Services -- and an increase from a part-time to a full-time position in the Licensing Department. The E-911 increase, a total of three new full-time positions, follows a personnel review by the department's new director.

Increases in the DPW include personnel for a new 311 system as well as a group of new hires required for the city to operate its own Water and Sewer Department.

The FY20 budget includes funds in salary reserve to cover the anticipated costs of ongoing union negotiations with City Hall employees. With the exception of the police and fire union contracts, all municipal union contracts expire on June 30 of this year.

•In other business, the Council approved an order proposed by councillors Giovanni Recupero, Enio Lopez, Luis Tejada, and Damali Vidot requiring that all street cleanings should be limited to the same amount of time in every street. Lopez and Recupero both noted that residents

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Chelsea Fatal Fire determined to be caused by electrical problems



PHOTO BY MICHAEL LAYHE SR

A quick-moving fire on Watts and Highland Streets last Friday, May 3, claimed the life of one 37-year-old man and caused extensive damage. Investigators said there were major problems with smoke detectors in the home and first-responders reported not hearing any alarms upon arrival.

Staff Report

Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard A. Albanese Jr., Chelsea Police Chief Brian Kyes, State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey and Suffolk District Attorney Rachel Rollins announced the cause of the May 3 fire at 48 Watts St., a 2-family home in Chelsea, was electrical.

The fire took the life of an adult man believed to be a relative of the occupants of 48 Watts St. The victim was identified as Milton Lopez, 37.

In the dense neighborhood,

the fire spread to rear of 107-109 Highland Street.

The fire originated in a void space above the suspended ceiling of an enclosed porch. Investigators determined that an electrical event took place in the area of origin where there were numerous electrical circuits. Just before the fire was discovered, residents reported that the lights in the first floor kitchen, the room next to the porch, went off. The victim was found on the

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10 Weeks: Bumping and grinding not part of Latino Culture, Commissioners say

By Adam Swift

The City's Licensing Commission might want to consider making its public hearings adults' only affairs.

At its Thursday, May 2, meeting, the commission handed down a 10-week liquor license suspension to Latinos Falcons at 185 Broadway after police showed a video from the bar featuring an assortment of groping, grabbing, grinding and all-around Dirty Dancing among waitresses, staff, and patrons.

The Falcon was called before the commission for a public hearing after a patron was placed into protective custody for public intoxication after drinking at the bar.

Before video from the bar was screened, the attorney representing Latinos Falcons, asked that the commission members keep in mind that some of the displays of affection captured on screen were merely representative of the restaurant's predominantly "Latino culture." The attorney also noted that there has recently been training at the bar for staff to help prevent future incidents.

As the video, featuring a fair share of bumping and grinding, came to an end with a shot of a security guard at Latinos Falcons sniffing a waitresses hair, commission member Gladys Vega was having none of the

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attorney's justification.

"This has nothing to do with Latino culture," said Vega, visibly incensed and angered despite battling laryngitis. "You should be ashamed. That is so disrespectful to say what you do about my culture."

While the video evidence was from only one night at Latinos Falcons, and City Solicitor Cheryl Watson Fisher stated that the bar has not been formally cited before, City Councillor-At-Large Roy Avellaneda said the behavior shown was nothing new.

"I've been told about these allegations for a while now, and in 2014 and 2015 I witnessed them myself, this is nothing new," said Avellaneda. "Unfortunately, this (behavior) is prevalent in a few bars in Chelsea and we've heard complaints from former waitresses, especially at this place."

The councillor urged the Licensing Commission to send a message to Latinos Falcons and other establishments that exhibit similar behavior in the

city with a heavy punishment. 'This was only one night, you can imagine what else happens," said Avellaneda. He noted that patrons, waitresses, and owners were all engaging

nos Falcons. Council President Damali Vidot said she initially showed up at last week's public hearing to support local

in unseemly behavior at Lati-

"But if this is the way you do business, I have a huge problem with the way you treat women and them being objectified in this video," said Vidot.

"This video is very disturbing." Kimberly Martinez, who said she is a Salem State University student who has worked at Latinos Falcons for six months, countered that she has never been encouraged to act in any sexual manner or to flirt with customers as a way to increase the bill. She said many of the problems at the bar are caused by certain clientele.

"We are trying to filter that as best we can," she said. "I feel like we are moving forward and things are changing." But for the commission

members, it wasn't enough to

sway them. Commission member James Guido noted that on top of everything else, the waitresses were seen drinking with cus-

tomers and called for harsh punishment. "For me, this is so disturbing and troubling," said Commission Chair Mark Rossi. "How anyone could allow that in their establishment, with the owner taking part, is so out of

line ... How can that environ-

ment be conducive to reporting

sexual harassment?" Rossi, who sometimes acts to tamp down harsher penalties proposed by other commission members, wasn't averse to going all the way to the most extreme punishment for Latinos

"I will shut you down right now, this is so repugnant," he said.

Guido initially proposed a 30-day license suspension for

the bar, but it failed to pass. The lengthier 10-week suspension passed unanimously, along with a rollback of the bar's hours from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. to 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

•In other business, the commission continued a public hearing on a change in manager for Los Agaves at 950 Broadway. There are currently legal proceedings in probate court over the ownership of the restaurant.

Licensing Commissioners are asking that all the current owners work together to find a new manager acceptable to all sides in the fight as the legal case makes its way through the court system.

•The commission also adopted revised licensing rules and regulations. The revised regulations place stricter requirements on security staff at bars and restaurants, requiring that security wear clearly marked red shirts, have city-issued identification, and not carry anything that could be used

COLLECTIVE LATINO VOICE



State legislative leaders Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz, Senator Jason Lewis and Representative Andy Vargas listened and discussed the education funding formula with Latino educators, leaders and parents from across the state.

Latino educators attended a convening to discuss the Massachusetts funding formula and advocate for the issues legislators should consider during the next few months as they work to pass an equitable funding bill. The Massachusetts legislature is reviewing educational funding proposals. The decisions they make this spring about how to allocate education funds, will significantly impact the outcomes and lives of students for years to come.

Latinos for Education with Amplify Latinx, Greater Boston Latino Network and Gaston Institute created a space for the collective Latino voice to be heard on the matter. Legislative leaders Sonia Chang-Diaz, Jason Lewis and Andy Vargas showed up to listen and discuss with 75 Latino educators, leaders and parents from across the state. Lewis and Chang-Diaz explained budget proposals and the funding formula.

"The goal for today is threefold," said Amanda Fernandez, Executive Director of Latinos for Education, as she opened the convening. She continued: "We need to understand the challenges faced by schools, educate stakeholders about how the funding systems work, and act to secure a funding formula that works for all."

Both legislators and community members agreed, the

On Friday, May 3, 2019 students most affected and at highest risk of being further detrimentally under served come from low-income communities, many with high Latino and English Language Learner (ELL) student populations. A poll of participants revealed the top three education matters that matter most to are support for ELL Students (85%), ensuring students are well-prepared for college and beyond (80%), and increasing teacher diversity (73%).

"Who here remembers the 1993 Education Reform?" asked Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz during her presentation to attendees on Friday. "There were some things about the foundation formula that the Commission recognized had started off correct, but had eroded over time and needed to be updated to reflect the realities of our current economy."

A theme of accountability surfaced during the Q&A. One attendee asked how accountability is written into the budget proposals. Another attendee commented on accountability versus punishment. There was consensus that both stakeholders and legislators must equally commit to accountability. Senator Chang-Diaz, Senator Lewis, and Representative Vargas encouraged attendees to keep the conversation going and to ask tough questions.

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palities to implement cost saving plan design changes on its own if no agreement can be reached with the PEC as long as the city agrees to share a percentage of its first year cost savings with the unions.

With the newly granted authority by the council, the City Manager said he will negotiate reasonable design changes to the city's group health policies, likely by imposing deductibles in line with deductibles paid for health insurance by state employees.

Ambrosino said even with any changes, Chelsea will always have health insurance at least as good as that provided to Massachusetts public employ-

However, a letter to the City Council submitted by the Chelsea Public Employees Committee outlined over two dozen reasons why members believe the adoption of the changes to the group health insurance should not be adopted.

"The PEC strongly believes that the adoption of Sections 21-23 is inappropriate and premature for multiple reasons: the Self-Insurance Trust Fund is running about a \$2 million surplus; the PEC has agreed to apply any surplus to reduce future health insurance costs; City Manager Thomas Ambrosino wants the sickest families among City employees and retirees to pay \$1 million more on an annual basis currently paid by the City; the PEC and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino agree that no changes to employee/retiree health insurance are needed until FY2022; Ambrosino has failed to bargain in good faith for a successor PEC agreement; a grievance, including an alleged unfair labor practice, are pending at this time; and Sections 21-23 will effectively disable bargaining on health insurance," the letter summarizes.

Council President Damali Vidot noted that her husband works for the Department of Public Works and that any changes in health insurance would directly affect her. However, she said the changes are necessary to allow Ambrosino to negotiate with city unions.

"We hire the Town Manager to negotiate with the unions, and I'm not comfortable when he does not have all the tools needed for the negotiations,"

said Vidot. Vidot she said she hopes Ambrosino can go back to the unions with the new negotiating tools and find common ground with the unions. In addition to wanting the best for city employees, Vidot said the council has a fiscal responsibility for the

entire community.

The council president also said that there has been some miscommunication on the issue, especially when it comes to retirees. Vidot said changes to group health insurance plans would only affect a very few retirees who do not qualify for

District 1 Councillor Robert Bishop said he agreed that the City Manager should have all the tools available as he negotiates with the city's union.

As the vote took place, many in the audience shouted and voiced their displeasure, with several people stating the council should be ashamed of their vote. The meeting came to a brief halt as the crowd noisily filed out of the council meeting, with several audience members individually appealing to councillors.

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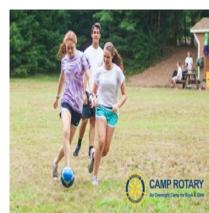




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risk or immediate interaction with law enforcement.

"It's something that concerns us every day," said Bonavolonta.

He said the agency has to take each threat seriously and be very quick to react. "We've had cases right in our own area where we've had individuals that have one day woken up and they're in that radicalization process and they've decided that today's the day they're going to go out and they're going to attack or kill members of law enforcement or other individuals.

"These are threats that have to be acted on immediately and we have to ready to mobilize and cut them off before they commit these acts of violence," he said.

Bonavolonta defined domestic terrorism "as individuals who are associated with or inspired by US-based movements that are promoting 'violent extremist ideologies."

He said what makes domestic terrorism a complex issue is "the fact that a lot of what we see in that realm potentials butts right up against First Amendment freedom of speech issues.

"That's something that we really have to be incredibly

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careful when we're looking at it. It's a very, very high threshold for us to predicate a case where we're charging acts related to domestic terrorism.

"In a lot of cases, these issues start with individuals that are spewing certain types of speech that are protected under First Amendment activities," Bonovalonta clarified.

During the tion-and-answer session that followed, Bonavolonta was asked about FBI resources, hiring and personnel.

He said the FBI is always looking for "cyber-talented people with a true background in cyber skills."

"And nationally we are making a significant push for much more aggressive recruitment - we are aggressively recruiting people with skills in the STEM field," said Bonavalonta. "We are placing a specific emphasis on recruiting females into the agent cadre as well. We need to make sure that from a diversity perspective that our agent cadre, as much as it can, mirrors overall society. And just within the last three or four years, there has been a very definitive effort to proactively put on female law enforcement symposiums."



FBI Special Agent In Charge Joseph Bonavolonta delivers his remarks at the breakfast.



Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Richard Cuthie, Chamber of Commerce President Joseph Mahoney, FBI Special Agent In Charge Joseph Bonavolonta, and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.



Gina Guange, director of catering, and Steve Haley of breakfast caterer Hilton Garden Inn Logan Airport, greet guest speaker Jo-



seph Bonavolonta, Boston FBI Division Special Agent In Charge.



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Encore Boston Harbor has traffic plans in place

By Seth Daniel

When thinking about the opening of Encore Boston Harbor, neighbors ought to think of it as a period of time rather than a one-day rush that due to the fact that Encore isn't sure how long the rush could last after they open the doors June 23.

Encore President Bob De-Salvio told the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) on Monday that they have engaged in a great deal of planning for the upcoming opening but have no way of telling just how busy they will be, and how long they will be busy, with the initial rush that is expected.

The casino released estimates last week that they expect 8 million visitors per year to the Everett site, and hundreds of thousands are expected to pour in during the initial days of opening in late June.

"The particular part of the project I stayed very close to," said DeSalvio. "There has been a steady topic of discussion for the past five years and it was pretty much the #1 topic at all our public meetings."

DeSalvio told the Commission they have been meeting regularly for several months with law enforcement from various jurisdictions, MBTA and MassDOT.

"They have said they would assist us as long as it takes (with paid police details)," said DeSalvio. "It may take seven days or it could take 14 days. We like to think of this opening as a period of time... There's clearly going to be a New Kid on the Block syndrome. There will be tweaks and all our partners said they would be ready to work with us through that period...Every partner has chipped in to say they will help us to make sure the opening is smooth. It's impossible to say when that opening period ends. We will have to make game-day calls on a lot of these situations."

So far, the Boston Police have pledged 13 officers, Everett Police have pledged 12 Transit Police will provide 13 officers, the U.S. Coast Guard has agreed to handle the wa-

terways and the Boston Public Works Department has agreed to monitor closely the Alford Street Bridge.

As previously reported, there are several alternatives to private vehicles that Encore is unveiling as part of its traffic plan.

Those include:

•Harbor Shuttles - there will be four shuttles running a route between Encore, the Financial District and the Seaport. All of the shuttles would be ADA compliant and would cost \$7 one-way. A new connector from the Seaport to the Financial District for commuters would cost \$5. They would operate year-round, weather dependent.

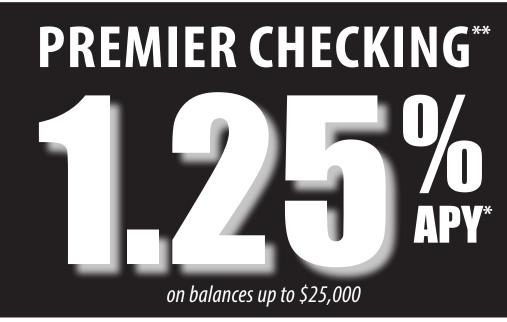
•MBTA Encore Shuttle -Shuttles would run regularly from the Malden Station and the Wellington Station to Encore Boston Harbor. As part of the opening plan, these shuttle would let out on Mystic View Road, and those using them would have to walk on the new DCR connector under the train tracks to the casino entrance. That is in an effort to keep buses and shuttles off of Lower Broadway.

Encore Neighborhood Shuttle – This 26-passenger luxury shuttle would be free to the public and to employees and would run between Encore, the GE Site parking lot in the Village, Everett City Hall and the Chelsea Silver Line terminus (at Market Basket). It would run 24/7 on that route.

•Premium Motor Coach these luxury buses would come to Encore from Milford (Metro West), Rockland (South Shore), and Londonderry, NH. They would run 12 hours a day, seven days a week.

DeSalvio said he was certain that there had been a great deal of thoughtful planning, and Commissioner Gayle Cameron said she was "very impressed" with the level of care and thought put into the opening plan.

"We have thought a lot about this and that this plan works smoothly," he said. "We probably haven't thought officers, Medford Police have of everything and we'll make pledged eight officers and the adjustments after the opening, State Police have pledged 84 but it has been a very, very Troopers. Additionally, the thorough planning exercise by many different partners at the table.'





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BIG TOBACCO: THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK OR: IS YOUR CHILD A NICOTINE ADDICT?

In the mid-1990s, our newspaper group was honored in consecutive years by the Massachusetts branch of the American Cancer Society for our reporting and editorials regarding the regulation of tobacco products in our local communities. We wrote about every aspect of the tobacco industry, from the insidious means by which the tobacco companies were pushing their products with advertising geared toward young people, to taking to task local authorities who were not doing as much as they could have (by means of ordinances limiting smoking in public places) in order to prevent young people from becoming the future tobacco addicts of America.

This exact week in 1999, we editorialized in favor of a state law to ban smoking in restaurants.

So it was with a great deal of personal satisfaction that we took some degree of pride in what seemed to be the vanquishing of a foe -- the tobacco lobby -- that for generations in this country had reigned with impunity and that had seemed invincible until there finally were laws enacted throughout the country limiting the sale and use of to bacco beginning in the mid-2000s. $\,$

Shortly after these laws went into effect, teenage cigarette smoking rates began to decline precipitously and smoking in public became an anathema.

Big Tobacco had been defeated.

Or so it seemed.

But like one of those horror-film swamp creatures that becomes resurrected in even more ominous form when exposed to seemingly deadly radiation, Big Tobacco is back -- and in a big way -- thanks to the new, so-called e-cigarettes.

A recent article in the New York Times put it this way, "Although teen cigarette smoking rates have fallen below five percent, America is now contending with an epidemic of young people using e-cigs, vapes, and other 'nicotine delivery devices,' as the tobacco industry christened them years ago in secret memos, searching for an official alternative to describing their products as cigarettes."

Nicotine is considered by some to be the most addictive substance, legal or otherwise, known to man. In previous generations, teen smokers, encouraged by images of James Dean with a cigarette hanging from his lips, became lifetime smokers, assuring Big Tobacco of a steady stream of income ad infinitum.

Teens once again have become the target consumer group for Big Tobacco, a dangerous trend on many levels. According to one study, the effects of teens using these new products are dramatic and significant: "For a teen, becoming nicotine-addicted greatly increases the likelihood that they will graduate to traditional, combustible cigarettes. Importantly, nicotine addiction during adolescence increases the vulnerability to subsequent addictions, like opioids or cocaine. For most users of illicit drugs, their initial addiction was to nicotine."

More ominously, the use of these new products, known ubiquitously as juuling, delivers as much nictone in one pod as 200 cigarettes, all but assuring users of a fast-track to addiction.

The bottom line is that Big Tobacco (which owns or controls all of the largest of these e-cigarette companies) has found a 21st century means by which to hook a new generation of future tobacco addicts.

Parents have to take a watchful eye to make sure their children are not using these products and society needs new laws to ensure that these products cannot be sold to those under the age of 21.

Big Tobacco is back -- and we need to take action immediately.

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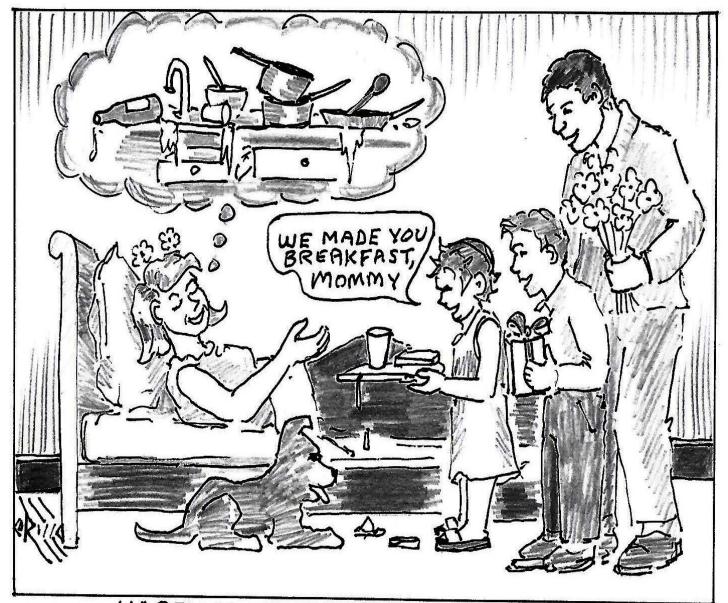
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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

GUEST OP-ED

Misinformation, bad behavior and mistakes defined Public Employee vote

By Council President Damali Vidot

There have been many stories circulating regarding a vote that City Council took on Monday and as President of that body I've an obligation to respond. I've reflected on the matter significantly since Monday and think it's best to separate this into three sub-topics: (1) procedure, (2) group health Insurance vote and (3) what actually oc-

First and foremost, I'd like to remind the public that isn't privy to City Council meetings or procedures that we meet approximately every two weeks or so and follow the same template for the agenda every week. This template is covered in our City Council Rules that supersede Robert's Rules of Order (the parliamentary procedure utilized during Council meetings) Every meeting is sandwiched with the pledge of allegiance at the top of the meeting and ends with public announcements from City Councilors. Public Speaking, Communications / petitions to the council, Unfinished Business and New Business are all titles that serve as the 'meat' to the sandwich and under each of those topics are various orders submitted from Councilors or city administration. On Monday May 6th, we had four different zoning public hearings scheduled prior to Public Speaking; as well as a number of communications and matters to be taken up prior to the vote of group health insurance. As the first public hearing was to commence, Councilor Bishop asked to suspend the rules and move the group health insurance matter up on the agenda to be acted upon. When there is a request for a suspension of the rules, as chair, I must ensure there aren't any objections from other councilors. There weren't any objections and therefore the matter was before us to be acted up on. Once that matter was voted on, the rules require that we

from our agenda, has never allow the City Manager to use been removed from an agenda and feel confident to say on behalf of the City Council that the voices of all will always be prioritized and respected in our chambers.

On the matter at hand, there

has been a ton of misinforma-

tion circulating and I want to be clear on the facts. There is a group called PEC (Public informed decision and finally Employee Committee) and this group is made up of representatives of all Chelsea City union employees (teachers, DPW workers, police, fire, E-911, retirees, etc.) The PEC and the City Manager negotiate health insurance for all of their city employees and have been doing so since 2012. The PEC and the City Manager were successful in their decision to become self-insured meaning that rather than having a health insurance company cover health insurance claims; the city would carry that responsibility and therefore keep health insurance costs from increasing as it had significantly in years prior. The monies that were saved from going the route of self-insured go into a trust fund for the PEC to serve as a cushion for future rising health costs. The money in that trust fund is to be used ONLY by the PEC and its employees.

For the past couple of months, the City Manager and the PEC have been meeting and unable to come to an agreement on health insurance costs. The City Manager was looking to make changes to the health insurance that would save the City \$1 million, but the PEC didn't agree with his proposals, nor did he agree to their counter offers. I won't get any deeper into the negotiations as it is outside of the scope of our role as City Council. For the record, City Council is responsible for hiring the City Manager to be our negotiator and our main function as City Councilors is oversight of the city's finances. The City Manager was requesting an authority to be granted to him under M.G.L. c.32B, Sections 21-23. This

authority, if voted in by a ma-

jority of City Council would

as leverage when negotiating with the PEC and also comes with stipulations to protect employees. On April 16th, I chaired a Sub-Committee on Conference with Union Representatives and, their attorney so City Councilors can gain a better understanding the vote came before us on Monday May 6th.

Folks should know that granting the City Manager this authority under M.G.L. c32B, mandates that within 30 days of the authority being granted the City Manager and the PEC must attempt to negotiate prior to any changes being implemented. I commend our city employees for their work and commitment to the city, As we continue to grow and change, it is the City's staff that makes it all possible and I want to acknowledge those efforts. I believe wholeheartedly in the ability of the PEC and the City Manager to be able to come to an agreement as they have in years past. The CIty Council believes in the fairness and ability of the CIty Manager and granted him the authority we felt necessary to serve as our negotiator and look out for the financial interest of the city's future, just as I'm sure the city employees have faith in their Union Representatives and lawyer to protect their interest.

Lastly, I'd be remiss to not acknowledge what occurred on Monday night. We were fully prepared to hear testimony and had created a sign-in sheet at the podium anticipating a heavy public speaking portion of the meeting. We had a packed room and a hefty agenda and in attempting mindfulness of people's time, chose to move the matter out of order to vote on it. In hindsight, I identify with the frustration of folks who wanted to speak before we voted and may have felt they didn't have that opportunity to voice their opinion. As an activist, I certainly understand the frustration of feeling unheard as I was just on the other side a couple of years ago where many of my concerns

fell on deaf ears. I've spoken to Councilors since the meeting and it is something we would probably have handled differently, though it probably wouldn't have changed the vote as we have had discussions on this topic for months.

I want to be clear that Public Speaking was still on the of both sides and make an agenda and everyone is always welcomed to come up and speak for four minutes, without interruption. City employees still had the opportunity to speak after the vote was casted and any Councillor could have requested a motion to reconsider, if so moved by their testimony. Though it isn't the traditional route, there are a multitude of ways this could have played out and there's never a way of knowing beforehand the direction the meeting will go once we are in session.

Looking back at the City Council meeting, there are definitely things we could've done differently but there is never an excuse for the postvote actions exhibited by the employees. A young child of about four years of age sat in the front of the Council Chambers watching men in uniform yell, scream, threaten, swear and display behaviors that were less than exemplary. I can understand feeling unheard and the emotions that stirs up. I have advocated for social justice in my community time and time again and have felt the frustration of not being listened to. In those cases, I use the power of my words to convey the message and remain faithful that justice will prevail. Intimidation, threats and/or disrespect is usually counter-productive to effective dialogue. I hope when the PEC and the City Manager meet as is required by the authority granted, that folks are able to control their emotions long enough to come up with a health insurance contract that works for our hard- working city employees. I urge both the PEC and the City Manager to start with a clean slate and 'make it work' as to provide the hard working City staff the thoughtful attention to this matter it deserves.

go right back to the agenda.

Contrary to what's been said, Public Speaking and commu-

nications received related to

the topic were not removed

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LETTER to the Editor

I DID NOT FAIL THE STUDENTS IN **CHELSEA**

To the Editor:

On May 2, I read an article that one of my former colleagues wrote about me. This article undermined the work that I've done for the students. I respect School Committee Member Kelly Garcia, and I am not writing this to fire back at her but to explain to her, and the community, that I did not fail the students in Chelsea.

At 20 years of age I was able to accomplish so many things that I figured I would never be able to do. I lived with my aunt for a year and half, while my parents and siblings where in another city.

his colleagues in the Mas-

sachusetts Senate recently

passed An Act to Reduce Traf-

fic Fatalities. The bill includes

new requirements for cyclists

and motorists to promote

safety for everyone who uses

DiDomenico expressed his

satisfaction with the Senate

passage of the bill and dis-

cussed the need for this leg-

islation to become law. "I

know how dangerous driving

in our Commonwealth can

be and how often cyclists and

pedestrians are at risk. With

the recent uptick in accidents

involving cyclists, many of

which have happened in my

district, it is clear that we must

take steps to make our roads

safer for all. This bill is an im-

portant part of the solution,

and I look forward to contin-

Following the vote, Sen.

the road.

My family was pushed out of the city because of high rent prices. This is an issue going on around the community.

In the year and half that I served as a member of the School Committee, I was able to work with teachers and students to find out ways to help out our student body. I'm not going to praise myself and tell everyone what I've done, because my actions speak for themselves.

I am doing better now. I moved back in with my parents to finish school and not worry about financial problems, to get my rent on time. Not all of us have the luxury to grow up in a wealthy family. My parents struggled, I struggled, but after I'm done with college, I will make them

Legislation to reduce traffic fatalities passes

create safer roadways for pe-

destrians, cyclists, and drivers

groups, including pedestrians,

utility workers, first respond-

ers and cyclists, as vulnerable

road users and requires motor

vehicles to apply a safe passing

distance of at least three feet

when traveling 30 miles per

hour or less with an additional

foot of clearance required for

every 10 miles per hour over

30 miles per hour. The bill

would further require trucks

and similar large vehicles

purchased, leased or under

contract with the Common-

wealth after a certain date to

be equipped with lateral pro-

tective devices, convex mir-

rors and crossover mirrors to

reduce the risk posed to vul-

nerable road users who are

susceptible to being unseen by

The bill classifies several

alike" said DiDomenico.

Sen. Sal DiDomenico and ents and MassDOT officials to

Ms. Garcia's words hurt me a lot, however I will not let that get to me. I am young, and I had to make a decision for the betterment of myself.

With all due respect, I would like to remind Ms. Garcia that as elected officials we are entitled to our First Amendment right. If I want to go on social media, Twitter or Facebook to address an issue going on in the School Committee, that is my right. It is my duty to let our constituents know what's really going on.

I wish the School Committee the best of luck and the students in Chelsea. Chelsea is my hometown; it's where I grew up.

derneath large vehicles during

establish a 25 mile per hour

speed limit on an unposted

area of state highway or park-

way inside a thickly settled or

business district within a city

or town that has accepted the

25 mile per hour local option,

as lower vehicle speeds reduce

the possibility and severity of

crashes. Finally, the bill in-

creases the flexibility of the

Department of Transporta-

tion to reduce the speed limit

in active construction zones

thereby significantly increas-

ing the protection provided to

vulnerable workers and first

responders at the construc-

Fatalities now moves to the

House of Representatives for

further consideration.

An Act to Reduce Traffic

tion site.

The bill would additionally

accidents.

Thank you. Julio Hernandez

Bellingham-Cary House - Slade's Mill

Story and Photos by Marianne Salza

Along the edge of Rumney Marsh in the late 19th Century, Slade's Mill was bustling. The tidal-powered factory on the creek, with its rooms fragrant with the wafting aroma of exotic spices - paprika from Spain and ginger from the Orient - was where the spice grinding industry originated.

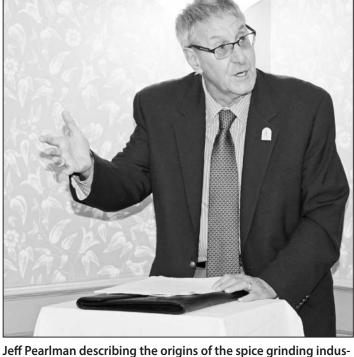
"It was here, in an old Massachusetts mill that the most interesting step in the distribution of spices began," said educator and historian, Jeff Pearlman. "Inside Slade's Mill the air was golden brown from grindings of pure spic-

During the Bellingham-Cary House Association Annual Meeting on April 27, Pearlman presented a timeline of Slade's Tidewater Mill, explaining the connections between Revere and Chelsea. Pearlman is a member of the Revere Society for Cultural and Historic Preservation, a non-profit organization that protects and promotes the history of the Revere community.

The Town of Chelsea originally consisted of four farms, the first of which was purchased by Henry Slade, who erected the first church, bank, and City Hall on the waterfront land. In 1734, Slade began grinding tobacco and corn in the mill.

"The charter states the following," began Pearlman. "This mill must at all times hold itself in the readiness to grind corn for any citizen of Chelsea, provided that the corn is raised in Chelsea."

In 1837, Slade's sons, David and Levi, conceived the idea of grinding spices in the mill, and began importing spices from around the world. By 1850, D and L Slade Company became the largest producer of spices in New En-



try in Massachusetts.

'The boys ground up a half barrel of cinnamon, slung the barrel between two poles, and trudged across the marsh to Boston," Pearlman explained. "The cinnamon was sold to grocers, and a new industry was born: the business of spice grinding.

First, the spices passed through magnetized steel plates to remove foreign objects, such as nails and wire. Spices were then pulverized into fine powders beneath grinding rolls. Next, the powder was lifted into continuous buckets, sifted, and loaded into barrels that were delivered to packing plants in Bos-

"Spices were not only used to stimulate jaded appetites; but their sweet, pungent odor made them useful as medicine and deodorants," mentioned Pearlman. "Up to this time, spice had been sold to the housewife whole, and each had a hand-grinder."

The mill was refurbished in 1918 following a fire and acquired by Bell Seasonings. In 1932, the mill was converted to electric power, and operated until July 1, 1976.

Slade's Mill is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

The building was renovated in 2004, and today, Slade's Mill Apartments contains 18 studio and one bedroom units. A museum on the ground floor exhibits original machinery, photographs, and a spice cabinet with glass and metal Slade's and Bell containers.

"Spices are now a common household necessity. No longer are they counted as the choicest possession of the wealthy," said Pearlman. "Men and women live longer in a spice-laden atmosphere. Perhaps there is something in the theory that spices have a beneficial effect on health and appetite of the human race. I wonder where the saying, 'Spice of life,' came from."

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ue working with my constitu- truck driver's and slipping un-

enclosed porch.

Chelsea fire investigators, Chelsea detectives, and State nected smoke alarms, carbon Police assigned to both the Office of the State Fire Marshal and to the Office of Suffolk District Attorney Rachel er they were disconnected, Rollins jointly investigated lying on a shelf, or actually this fire. The Chelsea Inspec- functional, had expired and tional Services Department, State Police Crime Scene Services and the Department of Fire Services' Code Compliance Unit provided assistance.

The home had a mixture of working, missing and disconmonoxide alarms and heat detectors. All of the alarms found in the home, whethwere more than 10 years old. First-arriving firefighters report not hearing any alarms sounding.

State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said, "May is Electrical

Safety Month and electrical fires are the second leading cause of fire deaths in Massachusetts behind smoking. It's important to have a licensed electrician check out your system every ten years to prevent problems."

For more information on electrical fire safety go to: https://www.mass. gov/service-details/electrical-fire-safety.



Educator and historian, Jeff Pearlman, presenting a timeline of Slade's Tidewater Mill, during the Bellingham-Cary House Association Annual Meeting on April 27.

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they have to move their cars for five hours for street cleaning face greater hardship than those where street cleaning is

•The council also held a ers and city officials spoke in

who live in areas where public hearing on zoning amendments that will allow for outdoor dining and improved signage and facades in

Several local business own-

limited to two hours.

the city.

support of the zoning amendments, noting it would improve the look of the downtown and make for a livelier, safer city.

City officials host Lt. Gov. Polito for a walk of Chelsea Creek

By Seth Daniel

As the City waits to hear from the state bureaucracy regarding its recently-completed Harbor Plan for the Chelsea Creek waterfront, City Manager Tom Ambrosino and officials from various City departments hosted Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito on a walk-

ing tour of the Creek – a tour City would like to see along that they hope might help the City get some leeway in the state review process.

Ambrosino, Planning Director John DePriest, Planner Karl Allen and City Councilor Roy Avellaneda accompanied Polito and several state officials to the PORT Park for a discussion of what the



On Tuesday afternoon, Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito took a walking tour of the Chelsea Creek waterfront with City Manager Tom Ambrosino, Planner John DePriest, Councillor Roy Avellaneda and others. The City has submitted its Harbor Plan to the state for review and took the opportunity to give Polito a first-hand look at the changes they would like to see.

the Creek – something that is spelled out in the Harbor Plan.

Those plans include more access points to the waterfront, like at PORT Park, as well as some wiggle room on the Designated Port Area (DPA) boundaries so as to promote development on private land and public land.

"These points of access along the industrial waterfront are very important to us," said Ambrosino. "This area was historically inaccessible to Chelsea residents for a long time. One goal we have in reviewing the Harbor Plan is to create more of these kinds of points of access so residents can get access to the waterfront alongside the industrial uses.'

The tour was sparked by a \$125,000 grant from the state Seaport Council to help pay for the Harbor Plan process and submission. Work on the plan began more than a year ago, and after several public meetings and other reviews, the Plan was submitted earlier this year.

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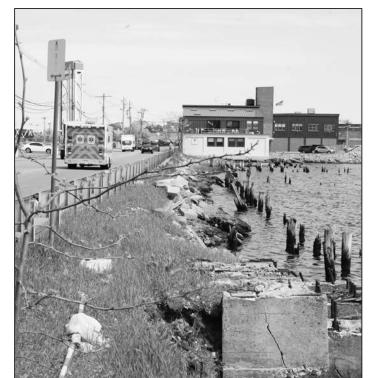
Ambrosino and DePriest said the Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM) is now commenting on the final draft of the Harbor Plan, so there is still time for changes and alterations.

One piece of wiggle room Ambrosino touted to Polito is a small piece of City-owned land next to the Chelsea Street Bridge. With some small change in the boundary of the DPA, he said the land was ripe for development that would help the City and improve ac-

"There is a little piece of land by the bridge and with a little help it is ripe for development," he said. "We just need a little flexibility from CZM to make that development possible.'

Allen noted that they hope CZM will relax some of the boundaries on Eastern Avenue so they can construct a Boardwalk area to help with coastal resiliency and also promote more access points.

"We are hoping to have a continuous HarborWalk," he said. "Some of the areas lie in



This area of Eastern Avenue is tabbed for a Boardwalk structure, but in order to do that the state would have to relax some of the industrial waterfront boundaries.

the DPA and we need CZM to take place this summer, and change some of those boundaries so we can create something like a Boardwalk."

It is expected that a full review of the Harbor Plan will there will be a comment period in the fall. Once CZM finishes with its review, the Plan will go to the City Council for



PHOTOS BY EMILY HARNEY

CHELSEA HIGH SOFTBALL IN ACTION AGAINST LYNN TECH

The Chelsea High softball team faced Lynn Tech on Weds., May 1, in a make-up game from a rain out earlier in the week



Janei Lovy celebrates after hitting a grand slam.



Vicky Baitodano slides in safe at home.



Lisbeth Caleb at shortstop.



Catcher Michaela McKinnon.



Vicky Baitodano at bat.



First base-woman Alexis Rodriguez.



Coach Ted Freeley consults his team during a break in the action.



Pitcher Janei Lovy.

PLANTING TREES



Fidel Maltez of the Chelsea Department of Public Works and his daughter, Victoria, and Michael Sandoval (far right), also of the DPW, joined DRC Commissioner Leo Roy and DCR personnel for an Arbor Celebration Friday in the Chelsea Square Historic District. Comm. Roy welcomed residents to call 617-626-1459 to secure a free tree.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

LOCAL OFFICIALS **UPSET OVER** MASSPORT'S VOTE ON TNC

EAST BOSTON - Leading up to the Massport Board's vote on whether or not to force Transportation Network Companies (TNC) like Uber and Lyft to pick up and drop off at a central location inside Logan International Airport, the TNC lobby launched a media blitz against the plan.

The TNCs took out ads in local newspapers, released radio commercials against the plan and lobbied Massport administrators to abandon the

The plan released by Massport Acting CEO John Pranckevicius earlier this month aimed to remove 3 million TNC trips from local roadways and the airport that have been greatly contributing to East Boston's traffic woes.

Over the past few years Uber and Lyft trips to and from Logan International Airport have exploded with 12 million annual trips a year. However, these trips are only picking up 7 million riders. The remaining 5 million trips are what the industry calls 'deadhead' trips or trips that do not include a passenger when arriving or leaving Logan.

Pranckevicius and Massport planned to better rematcvh shared rides so TNCs are not arriving or leaving Logan airport empty.

This would have prohibited TNCs from dropping off curbside at Logan terminals and instead force all TNCs into the first floor of Logan's Central Garage for drop offs.

However, in the 11th hour it seemed Massport drafted a compromise allowing the rideshare companies to continue curbside drop offs at airport terminals between the hours of 4 a.m. and 10 a.m. However, all pickups will be moved to the Central Garage.

The compromise plan, which was approved by the Massport Board last Thursday, angered Eastie's elected officials, environmental watchdog groups and even Massport Board member John Nucci because it does little to mitigate airport-related traffic spilling out onto Eastie streets.

"I spoke out against the compromise plan because it is simply not the best way to address morning congestion at the tunnel and on surrounding streets," said Nucci after last week's vote. "This amended plan essentially allows Ubers and Lyfts to continue to snarl curb traffic and quite possibly leave the airport empty during morning hours when 40 percent of Logan flights takeoff.

"That's not a good compromise for East Boston and I'm going to be watching it very closely," Nucci added.

The original plan received the nod from Eastie's elected officials, Eastie's environmental watchdog group Airport Impact Relief, Incorporated (AirInc.), as well as Gov. Charlie Baker.

Rep. Adrian Madaro, who backed the original plan, said by continuing to allow drop offs curbside, especially during the morning commute, does nothing to mitigate traffic impacts. He argued that TNC drivers will be allowed to police themselves under the compromise. Madaro said there is now no policy to force them to pick up another ride at Logan and can simply leave the airport once they make their drop off and continue to clog neighborhood streets.

"I am disappointed in the Massport Board's decision to water down this proposal," said Rep. Adrian Madaro. "These changes, which continue to allow curbside drop offs during morning rush hour, will not do enough to reduce the millions of deadhead rideshare trips coming out of Logan Airport or decrease congestion in East Boston and surrounding communities. I urge the Massport Board to rethink their decision, and to adopt the original plan."

In a statement AirInc. said Eastie deserves better when it comes to safe streets and an efficient mobility system.

"This is counterproductive and baffling," read the AirInc. statement. "Under the Massport Board's plan, HOV use can be expected to continue to dwindle during the morning commute, at exactly the time that traffic congestion and its negative economic, environmental, health and safety impacts are clearly at their worst."

Over at Massport Pranckevicius is standing behind the compromise plan.

"As a strong economy continues to drive Logan Airport passenger demand, we are confident that our new plan is a step in the right direction to help alleviate congestion on our roadways, the tunnels and in our surrounding communities," said Pranckevicius. "Our goal has always been to move more people in less vehicles while providing a better customer experience, and we think this plan achieves that."

MUMPS OUTBREAK AT OTIS SCHOOL

EAST BOSTON - Since vaccination for mumps began in the late 1960s there are fewer than 20,000 annual cases in the U.S. every year.

However, that did not stop a third grader from the Otis Elementary School from becoming infected with the disease that has been all but eradicated in the country.

Parents at the Otis received an automated phone call from the Boston Public Schools (BPS) Friday alerting them to the student who tested positive test for mumps.

The school also sent a letter home to parents.

"We do not believe the student has come into close contact with any students in our school who are not vaccinated," read the letter. "It's important to note that the mumps can only be transmitted from one person to another through close contact. "At the Otis School, nearly all of our students have provided documentation of their vaccinations. However, a very small number of students have only provided partial documentation of vaccinations, or have not provided any records. We are contacting these families to assist them. If you are unsure if your child has had the appropriate vaccinations, please contact your healthcare provider as soon as possible."

All BPS students are required to receive and show proof of the MMR (mumps, measles, and rubella) vaccination before they are allowed to attend school. However, each year some new arrival students are given a grace period to get the MMR shot and show proof.

According to the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) mumps is a contagious illness that is caused by a virus. The disease can spread through the air to persons close by when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

Mumps can also be spread by contact with infected secretions. Persons are most contagious two days before symptoms begin until five days after onset of disease.

Symptoms can appear 12 to 25 days after contact with an infected person with the telltale sign being the swelling in the salivary glands, as well as fever, headache and muscle pain.

The BPHC says vaccines have drastically reduced indeath and disability fant caused by preventable diseases in the United States. In the 1950's, nearly every child developed measles, and unfortunately, some even died. Today, thanks to the MMR vaccine, many healthcare providers have never seen a case of the measles.

Vaccines can protect children from 14 serious diseases before they turn 2 years old.

The BPHC says it's easy to think of these as diseases of the past but the truth is they still exist. Children in the United States can—and do still get some of these diseas-

"As a pediatrician myself, I speak with many parents about vaccinations. There is no debate regarding the fact that vaccines prevent severe disease and death from infections, many of which are

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still common throughout the world. I tell parents that taking steps to ensure that they themselves and all individuals in the household are vaccinated is crucial to creating an environment where every child is safe from preventable diseases," said Jenifer Leaf Jaeger, M.D., M.P.H., Director of the Infectious Disease Bureau and Director of Population Health at the BPHC.

The BPHC provides fact sheets on many diseases for which children can be vaccinated in multiple languages, including Chinese, Haitian Creole, Spanish and others.

FORMER SUPERINTENDENT PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO SEVEN COUNTS

EVERETT - Former Supt. Fred Forestiere pleaded not guilty to seven counts of assault on teachers in the Everett Public Schools in Malden District Court on Friday, April

With his attorney, Gerard Malone, and an entourage that included his wife, Dorothy, and several community members at his side, Foresteire stepped up from the audience to the microphone Friday morning to say he was not guilty of the charges leveled against him, which include six counts of indecent assault and battery and one count of assault and battery. The charges were brought earlier this year, and Foresteire was only just now arraigned on those charges - which followed a

Among the charges described at the arraignment were "mouth on breast," "hand on buttocks," and "pulling clothes down to expose the body." There are three victims making the allegations.

Judge Benjamin Barnes presided over the arraignment session and let Foresteire, 76, go on his own personal recognizance – meaning no bail was imposed. He was ordered not to have any contact with victims or witnesses, and not to go near school property or school events.

Attorney Malone told the Independent they had no additional comment for the moment on the charges, and Foresteire walked out of the courthouse silently while swarmed by television reporters from Boston.

He did not speak at the arraignment either.

Attorney Malone did ask for permission for himself, and his investigator, to get entry into the School Administration Building so that they could see where the allegations were made.

While the prosecution objected on principle, Judge Barnes allowed them access with 48-hours notice.

All of the information regarding the charges was impounded from the public by Judge Barnes, a move to protect the alleged victims from public disclosure.

A Pre-Trial hearing was established for Aug. 8, which would be Foresteire's next official court date.

Attorney Tara Swartz, who represents some of the victims, said she didn't have a comment after the arraign-

Attorney Mark Rotondo, who also represents some of the victims, said he believed it was time for a complete overhaul of the Everett Public Schools' administration as a result of the charges brought against Foresteire. Rotondo is also an Everett native and a former School Committee-

"The allegations speak for themselves, and a jury will dictate Foresteire's guilt or innocence," he said. "What needs to be done is there needs to be a serious indictment of the Everett Public Schools including the current administration, which has perpetuated the code of silence for more than 30 years. The members of the School Committee should give serious consideration in determining whether or not current administrators should be placed on leave pending the conclusion of their investigation of the alleged wrongdoing of the administrative staff. As a former member of the Everett School Committee, the fiduciary duty is one of the duties held in highest regard. They owe it to the taxpayers, students, parents and teachers in the district."

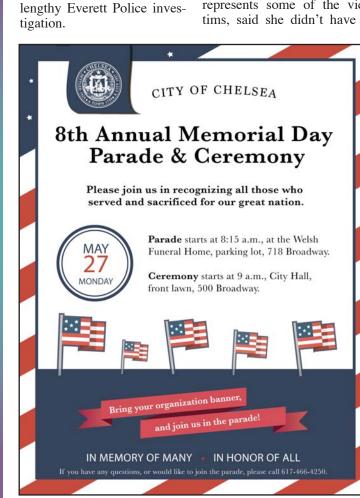
SEVERAL GANG **MEMBERS** ARRESTED

EVERETT - Federal agents descended upon Everett, Malden and other locales April 25 to arrest 14 members of a violent Brazilian street gang - with one member being apprehended in the garage of Councilor Wayne Matewsky.

Members and associates of Primeiro Comando da Massachusetts (PCM) - most of whom were in the country illegally - were charged April 25 in federal court in Boston in connection with perpetrating violent crimes in Massachusetts, including drug and firearms trafficking, robberies and kidnappings.

Three members were apprehended in Everett, including one on Lewis Street, another on Vernal Street and a third on Hancock Street.

"Violent gangs that proliferate violence are a scourge on our communities," said United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling. "Over recent months, members and associates of Primeiro Comando da Massachusetts have been committing serious, violent crimes: brazenly robbing





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26th annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive set for May 11

With the help of sponsors, volunteer organizations and U.S. Postal Service employees in 10,000 communities nationwide, the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) will conduct its 26th annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday, May 11.Stamp Out Hunger is the nation's largest single-day food drive.

Last year's drive resulted in carriers collecting 71.6 million pounds of food from local communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Since the drive began in 1993, total donations have surpassed 1.6 billion pounds of food. The food drive has become the nation's largest one-day campaign to collect food for distribution to needy families.

Making a donation is easy. Customers should leave their non-perishable food donations in a bag near their mailbox on Saturday, May 11, before their letter carrier arrives.

In the days leading up to the vegetables, whole grain, low food drive, letter carriers will be delivering special bags along with your mail that may be used to make donations. Food collected during Saturday's drive will be delivered to local community churches, food banks and food pantries for distribution.

While all non-perishable donations are welcome, foods that are high in protein such as canned tuna, salmon, beans and peanut butter are most needed. Canned fruits and

sugar cereals, macaroni and cheese dinners and 100% fruit juice also top the list of most needed items.

For additional information about this year's Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive, visit nalc.org/community-service/ food-drive.

GIVE: Most-wanted foods include: Canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon).

Food Drive TIPS

WHAT

Canned and boxed

TO

meals (soup, chili, stew, macaroni and cheese).

- Canned beans and peas (black, pinto,
 - Pasta, rice cereal. Canned fruits.
 - 100 percent fruit
- juice (canned, plastic or boxed)
 - Canned vegetables. Cooking oil.
- Boxed cooking mixes (pancake, breads).
- WHAT NOT TO GIVE: Rusty or unlabeled

Kreg Scott

Devoted to family

- Glass containers.
- Perishable items. Homemade items.
- No expired items
- Noncommercial canned or packaged items.
- Alcoholic beverages or mixes or soda.

Open or used items.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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community businesses, dealing drugs, trafficking illegal firearms, and even kidnapping a young woman. We will not standby and allow these criminals to disrupt the safety and peace of our communities. Let today's arrests and charges be a message to gang members and their associates: if you threaten the safety and well-being of Massachusetts residents, we will arrest and prosecute you using all of the federal resources at our disposal."

On Thursday morning, federal agents and State Police swarmed the City, particularly on Lewis Street at the home of Councilor Matewsky. Officers located Joao Pedro Marques Guimares Gama, a/k/a "Bahianinho," 21, in Matewsky's garage, and took him into cus-

Police said it appeared he had been living there for about a week.

Matewsky said he had no idea that the man was in his garage, and that he had hired him to do some work in the yard – as he is transforming his backyard from hardscape

"I had met him and he told me he was a landscaper and I was going to have him plant some grass in the backyard," he said. "I had no idea he was in there. I've installed a lock on my garage and better lighting in the backyard. I'd like to thank the police for getting rid

of the guy from my garage." Gama, who is in the counry illegally, was charged with RICO conspiracy, conspiracy to commit robbery, engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license, and being an alien in possession of a firearm.

The following defendants, in addition to Gama, were charged.

•Alvaro Dos Santos Melo, 22, a Brazilian national illegally residing in Everett, was arrested and charged with RICO conspiracy, conspiracy to commit robbery, and conspiracy to distribute controlled substances. He was taken into custody on Vernal Street:

•Marcio Costa, a/k/a "Marcino" and "Marcinn," 28, of Malden, is the alleged leader of PCM and was arrested and charged with RICO conspiracy, conspiracy to commit robbery, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, and engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license:

•Breno Henrique DaSilva, 20, a Brazilian national illegally residing in Somerville, was arrested and charged with RICO conspiracy, conspiracy to commit robbery, and conspiracy to distribute controlled substances:

•Edson DaSilva, 19, previously resided in Whitman and is currently in state custody on kidnapping and firearms charges, and was federally charged with RICO conspiracy and robbery;

•Igor Costa, 20, previously resided in Framingham and is currently in state custody, and was federally charged with RICO conspiracy and rob-

•Vinicius Goncalves de Assis, previously resided in Revere and is currently in state custody, and was federally charged with RICO conspir-

•Rodrigo Tevares, 19, a Brazilian nation illegally residing in Stoughton, was arrested and charged with being an alien in possession of a firearm and engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license;

•Rony DaFreitas, 21, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license;

•Elwood Cortes-Navedo, 23, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license;

•Fernando DeOliveira, 24, a Brazilian nation illegally residing in Brighton, was arrested and charged with being an alien in possession of a firearm and engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license;

•Mouad Nessassi, 21, of Boston, was arrested and charged with engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license, distribution of 28 grams or more of cocaine base, and possession of an unregistered firearm;

•Fadwa Chimal, 19, was arrested and charged with engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a license: and

dealing in firearms without gust 4, 1967. a license and distribution of 28 grams or more of cocaine mother, grandmother, sister, base.

ments, in September 2018, federal, state and local law enforcement began investigating members and associates of PCM, a gang with Brazilian origins, which first appeared in Massachusetts approximately two years ago. It is alleged that members and associates of PCM are actively involved in violent crimes including the illegal sale of firearms, drug trafficking, robberies, kidnappings and armed assaults in numerous communities in Massachusetts, including Boston, Malden, Everett, Somerville, Framingham, and Peabody, among others. During the investigation, law enforcement seized 31 firearms, including 27 handguns, two sawed-off shotguns, one shotgun, one rifle and several hundred rounds of ammunition.

The defendants allegedly committed various criminal offenses, some of which they admitted to cooperating witnesses. For example, Gama told cooperating witnesses that PCM not only committed robberies in Massachusetts, but also had targeted and robbed a drug dealer and his family in Connecticut. Gama stated that during the robbery, he held a gun to the head of the dealer's daughter. In addition, during the investigation, Costa allegedly discussed a planned armed robbery with an undercover federal agent and repeatedly stated that it was likely that the gang members/associates would commit murder as part of the robbery.

Additional robberies alleged by the court documents include a Dec. 9, 2018, armed robbery of a pizza delivery person in Everett committed by DaSilva.

In addition to the 14 charged criminally, four individuals were arrested administratively by ICE.

Sister Brigid Mary Hurley

Died peacefully

Sister Brigid Mary Hurley died peacefully surrounded by her friends and family on

She was the daughter of Timothy and Bridget Manning Hurley of Malden and she is survived by her three brothers: Timothy and his wife, Ann Marie of Peabody, Michael and his wife, Barbara of Braintree and Neil and his wife, Kathleen of Winchester. Sister is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Saint Mary of the Woods, Indiana on April 8.

All are welcome to attend a Memorial Mass in Malden at Sacred Hearts Church on Saturday, May 11 at noon.

In lieu of flowers, dona-



tions may be made to the Sisters of Providence, 1 Sisters of Providence, Saint Mary of the Woods, IN 47876-1007. Local arrangements are by Lane Funeral Home. For online condolences please visit www. lanefuneral.com.

in his Chelsea home. He was 47 years old.

OBITUARIES

Born and raised in Revere, a son of Anthony L., III and Florence A. (Hartigan) Scott of Chelsea, Kreg attended schools in Revere and resided there for most of his life. For the past several years he resided in Chelsea caring for his parents. His life devotion was to his family.

Kreg S. Scott passed away

suddenly on Monday, April 29

He is survived by his parents and his beloved son, Kreg S. Scott II of Revere. He was the dear brother of Antonette Jarvis and her husband, Robert of Haverhill, Robert Scott and his wife, Beate of Norway and the late Anthony L. Scott, IV and Shane Scott and the beloved uncle to his special nieces, Shana and Nicole and his nephew, Scott Vera. He is also survived by several uncles and extended family



members and friends.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to visit and attend a Life Tribute and Memorial Service conducted from the Frank A. Welsh & Sons Funeral Home on Friday, May 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The service for Kreg will be held in the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. The Funeral Home is fully handicap accessible, ample parking opposite the funeral home. For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit www. WelshFuneralHome.com

Rena Mae Mason

Her smile lit up a room

Rena Mae Mason of Farmville, Virginia made her journey to heaven on April 28 at •Jennifer Romero, 26, of the age of 70. She was born Chelsea, was charged with May 12, 1948 in Chelsea and engaging in the business of married Ronald Mason on Au-

She was an amazing wife, aunt and friend. Her smile lit According to court docu- up a room. She loved going to the zoo, having her annual Fish Fry and playing Phase 10. She left here as the "Forever Champion." Prior to her illness, she was one step from getting her solo license to fly a plane. That was her one great

She was preceded in death by her father, Albert Muzarol, her mother, Jeanne Muzarol and her beloved grandson,

Christopher Mason. She is survived by her husband, Ronald Mason, her sons: Ronald Mason, Jr. and Richard Mason; two wonderful grandchildren, Aundriea



Montzingo and Brandon Mason and seven brothers and sisters: Carol Monzione, Janet Gray, Edward Muzarol, Michael Muzarol, Robert Muzarol, Bill Muzarol and Nancy Marzulla.

A graveside service will be held on May 18 at 11 a.m. at Virginia Memorial Park in Forest, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, her wish was a donation in memory of Rena Mason to Glory Reins Ranch, 1587 Plank Road, Farmville, VA 23901.

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

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— Gwyneth Paltron

Thanks for all the lessons Dad.

Love your children, grandchildren, & great grandchildren oxoxo



Happy Mothers Day In Loving Memory of Dorothy J. Gould

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so he put his arms around you, and whispered come to me. With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best. Forever Loved & Missed, Bill Sr., Joe, Debbie, Bill Jr. Tommy & Derek

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BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins begin Conference finals

Last week's Bruins Beat column mentioned several things missing, coming into Game Four versus the Columbus Blue Jackets: First on the list was the "lack of scoring" by the first line of Patrice Bergeron, Brad Marchand, and David Pastrnak. Second, how Columbus' goaltender Sergei Bobrovsky was the "hot goaltender." Third was the Bruins' missing "puck luck." The final point had Boston short on power play effectiveness, and penalty killing. Well, they managed to solve all three in one fell swoop while turning the corner and winning games four, five and six to move on to Round Three.

A solid three game win streak that saw the first line finally adding some production in the fashion they had been able to do previously. The title of the "hot goaltender" was removed from Columbus' Bobrovsky, and bestowed into the glove of Tuukka Rask. The missing "puck luck" returned in mega form, especially in the series crowning Game Six, as the Blue Jackets hit four pipes in the 3-0 loss. The streak also saw the Bruins step up their penalty kill, and make their power play more effective.

The result of their hard work now has the locals preparing to move on to the Eastern Conference Finals for the first time since 2013, and face the Carolina Hurricanes. In meeting the Canes on three occasions during the regular season, Boston was victorious in two of their three contests, with one win coming in overtime. First-year head coach, Rod Brind'Amour, played 21 seasons in the NHL, including 10 with the Canes, and was a member of the 2006 Hurricanes team that captured the 2006 Stanley Cup. Brind'Amour was able to guide his team into the playoffs, and managed to not only knock off the defending Stanley Cup Champion Washington Capitals in seven-games, but also sweep the New York Islanders in four-games. Having been tagged by former Bruins Coach and Hockey Night in Canada moderator Don Cherry as "A Bunch of Jerks," due to their postgame antics during the regular season, they've ridden that ridicule to the playoffs...and the Eastern Conference Finals which begin tonight (Thursday) on Garden ice at 8pm. The dates and times for the remainder of the schedule will be announced shortly.

For those unfamiliar with the Carolina roster: Start with the 37-year-old Justin Williams, a true team leader and three-time Stanley Cup Champion (Carolina 2006, Los Angeles twice 2012 and 2014). His prowess has often been a factor in Game 7's, earning him the nickname of "Mr. Game 7." Sebastian Aho, with 83 points in the regular season, four goals and five assists in 11 playoff games; Jordan Staal, played only 50 games in regular season due to a concussion, but played well upon his return, contributing four goals and five assists in 11 playoff games. Teuvo Teravainen, Aho's right winger, put up 21 goals and 55 assists for 76 points in the regular season. The goaltending tandem of Petr Mrazek (sidelined with a lower-body injury - due to return to the lineup for this round, and Curtis McElhinney who filled in admirably, posted 43 wins for the Canes regular season, with McElhinney earning the final three wins that closed out the Islanders. Interesting fact: 24 Hurricane players presently on the roster - 13 of them

were originally first and second-round picks. Ironically, one of the first-round picks is former Bruins defenseman Dougie Hamilton. A trade to the Calgary Flames for Hamilton (2014-15) brought back a first-round selection and two second round picks. Calgary traded Hamilton to Carolina to start the 2018-19 season, and the Bruins picks were Jeremy Lauzon, Zach Senshyn and Jakob Forsbacka-Karlsson. On Tuesday, following a

meeting with the NHL Department of Player Safety, it was announced that Boston Bruins defenseman Charlie McAvoy has received a one game suspension for an illegal check to the head. The incident occurred in the second period of Game Six versus Columbus Blue Jackets' forward Josh Anderson. McAvoy will sit out tonight's (Thursday) Game One opener with the Carolina Hurricanes. McAvoy's replacement on defense for Game One will cause some shuffling of the pairings, it is unlikely that Kevan Miller will be available, John Moore is questionable, and Steven Kampfer is also in the mix. The Bruins will continue with home ice advantage throughout the remainder of the playoffs.

Single game tickets for the Eastern Conference Final of the 2019 Boston Bruins Playoffs are available, as are suites. Tickets can be purchased at the TD Garden Box Office, the Boston Bruins mobile app, and at Ticketmaster.com/Bruins. Single game suite rentals, which can accommodate 18-60 fans and the Garden Greats Suite that provides fans the opportunity to watch the game alongside a Bruins alumni, will also be available.

POLICE Briefs BY SETH DANIEL

STABBED A MAN ON **SHURTLEFF**

On April 24, at 3:30 p.m. detectives and uniformed officers responded to a report of a stabbing at 207 Shurtleff St. The victim first stated that the incident occurred in Boston. Chelsea and Boston detectives were able to identify the location in Chelsea, in fact as 207 Shurtleff St. Officers responded to that address and encountered the armed suspect, who was brandishing a knife. Officers were able to subdue and arrest the male af-

ter a struggle in the hallway. Rafael Otero, 49, of 207 Shurtleff St., was charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, resisting arrest and five counts of assault with a dangerous weap-

MAJOR DRUG, **WEAPONS BUST**

On April 25, at 10 a.m., members of the Chelsea Police Drug Unit executed a

of crack cocaine. As a result of the warrant, detectives placed two individuals under arrest for distribution of cocaine and illegal possession of ammunition.

Andrew Escobar, 35, of N. Wilmington, was charged with possession to distribute a Class A drug and one warrant. Kristopher Goodrich, 36,

of 423 Eastern Ave., was charged with possession to distribute a Class A drug, three warrants, two counts of possession to distribute a Class B drug, six counts of possession of a large capacity firearm, two counts of possession of ammo without a permit and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended

PULLED A KNIFE IN VEGAS

On April 27, at 5:40 p.m., Officers were dispatched to Las Vegas Restaurant for a re-

Search Warrant at 423 East- port of an assault with a knife. ern Ave. unit 201. The search Officers spoke to the restauwarrant was for distribution rant manager who informed the officers that a neavy-set man wearing a white hat had pulled a knife on one of her patrons and threatened him with it. That male was identified and placed under arrest in Bellingham Square.

David Pritchard, 48, of Revere, was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon and one warrant.

ONGOING FEUD On April 28, at 3:48 p.m., a CPD officer was approached by a taxi driver. He told the officer that he is having ongoing issues with a known male. He told the officer that just earlier while he was walking near the Market Basket, the suspect purposely accelerated his car toward him placing him in fear. That male subject was placed under arrest.

Marco Reyes-Diaz, 61, of Everett, was charged with assault with a dangerous weap-

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CHS baseball team looking for first win

The Chelsea High baseball team dropped a pair of contests this past week. In an 11-6 loss to South Boston, the Red Devil offense was led by DJ Valdes, Nate Rosario, Justin Diaz, Carlos Godoy, and Sergio Maldonado, all of whom had base hits.

In a loss to Hull, Santiago Quintero had a pair of base

Coach Rich Wilson and his squad were scheduled to take

CHS Roundup

on Nashoba Tech yesterday (Wednesday) and will play Lynn Tech Saturday. They will make the long journey to Nashoba next Wednesday.

Steph Simon wins long jump at Invitational Meet

A number of members of the Chelsea High girls and boys outdoor track & field teams made the long journey to New Bedford Vocational High School this past week to compete in the Sunset Invitational Meet.

Lady Red Devil star performer Stephanie Simon came home with a first-place medal for her winning leap of 17'-8.5" in the long jump.

Teammate Ana Chang reached the medal podium with her fourth-place effort in the 400 meter hurdles in a time of 69.94 seconds.

On the boys' side, Chelsea's ace distance man, Justin Turner, came through with a superb run of 10:07 in the two-mile event to capture second place.

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NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2019-12 Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center 10 Riley Way With reference to the application of: GreenStar Herbals, Inc For Major Site Plan Approval and Special Permit recommendation to demolish an existing two-story structure and construct a new one-story structure proposing the establishment of a Retail

Mariiuana Facility which does not meet current minimum zoning requirements for lot size and frontage at the premises known as: 200 Beacham Street All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500

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REQUEST FOR **PROPOSALS** HOUSING COURT LITIGA-TION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES

The Chelsea, Massachusetts Housing Authority (CHA) is seeking proposals, from individual attorneys or firms (Proposer) for legal services to be provided to the CHA in litigation brought in housing court and other courts for summary process, evictions, procurements, and related actions. Request for the full RFP along with any and all documentations needed in order to response to the RFP must be made by sending an email request to avelazquez@ chelseaha.com or pick up at our main office 54

Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150. Proposers are requested to submit their proposals for services to be rendered NO LATER THAN 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 24, 2019 TO: Arnaldo Velazquez, Director of Finance and Administration HOUSING COURT LITIGA-

TION AND PROCUREMENT SERVICES RFP Chelsea Housing 54 Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate **And Family Court**

24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Docket No. SU18C0083CA In the matter of: Leilanie Veronica Delbrey Arevalo To all persons interested in petition described: A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed Leilanie Veronica Delbrey Arevalo of Chelsea, MA requesting

> that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Leilanie Veronica Arevalo Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and **Family Court before** 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/30/2019. This

is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this

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setts until 10:00 am on

Thursday, May 23, 2019.

Invitation for Bids will be

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8, 2019 by contacting

Dylan Cook, Chief

Procurement Officer

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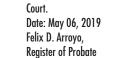
gov or by visiting the

www.chelseama.gov/

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City's website at http://

Sealed bids to provide



City of Chelsea, Massachusetts (Owner) Sealed bids for construction of Lead Service Replacement, Contract No. 2019-230,

for the City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, will be received at Room 204, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea Massachusetts 02150 until 11:00 a.m. prevailing

time, on Thursday, May 30, 2019, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and The scope of work includes removal and replacement of up to 205 lead water services in the City of Chelsea, Massachusetts. Work shall be performed in each the public right of way and private properties. The Contractor shall secure right of entry and local permits required to TO BIDDERS.

Copies of the contract through the City of Chelsea Purchasing

5/9/19

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BIDS

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furnish and installa tion of underground water service line and appurtenances, including new copper tubing, corporation stops, curb stops, service boxes, and unions; coring and sealing of service entries to basements; interior plumbing as required to plumb new through the meter setting; and comprehensive surface restoration in each the

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Department online at http://www.chelseama. gov/purchasing/pages/ current-bids-solicitations The Purchasing Depart-

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Scope shall includes, but is not limited to, preconstruction coordination and premise inspection;

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public and private rights completion date is June 30, 2021. The contract is broken into three work "periods" with substantial completion requirements for each period described FORM OF GENERAL BID. Bid Security in the form of a bid bond, cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check payable to the Owner, is required in the amount of five percent of the bid, in accordance with Section

documents are available

in accordance with M.G.L ment website requires prospective bidders enter their name, organization, number, fax number, and email in order to secure email addresses. The

published to furnished Contract Documents and plans will be available to prospective bidders starting on May 8, 2019. The selected contractor shall furnish a performance bond and a

payment bond in amount at least equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price as stipulated in Section 00700 **GENERAL CONDITIONS of** these specifications This project is funded by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) Lead Service

Line Replacement Loan Program. This program is committed to planning and executing comprehensive public and private lead service replacement. Minority-owned Business Enterprise (MBE), Women-owned **Business Enterprise** (WBE) and Equal Employment Opportunity polices of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) are applicable to this Contract.

The Bidder shall comply

with all applicable laws

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cluding without limitation executive orders and rules and regulations of federal and state agencies of competent jurisdiction. The Bidder shall make positive efforts to achieve: (1) a minority employee

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Chelsea Jewish Lifecare Celebrates 100 Years of Care

From humble beginnings in a Chelsea home to modern care at multiple locations

STAFF REPORT

One hundred years ago, Lena Goldberg started Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home by turning a small multi-family building into a welcoming home for elders. Today that home has grown into Chelsea Jewish Healthcare, one of New England's leading healthcare organizations. The non-profit operates campuses in Chelsea, Peabody and Longmeadow, employing more than 2,000 individuals and taking care of more than 1,000 individuals every day. While there has been extensive growth and expansion throughout years, one thing never changed: the organization's unwavering commitment to provide high-quality, compassionate care in a "real" home setting

"From the very beginning, our goal was to provide the best possible care," said Barry Berman, who has been CEO of Chelsea Jewish Lifecare for more than 40 years. "We encourage our residents to make their own choices and live their own lives by creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere with a caring and compassionate staff."

He further explained, "Living in a residence that offers all the amenities of a real home greatly enhances the quality of life for elderly and disabled individuals."

Berman recalled coming to Chelsea Jewish when he was only 23 and fresh out of graduate school.

"When they started this organization, that was before MediCare, MediCaid and public health programs," he said. "It was just a bunch of Jewish women who saw elders that needed services and they decided to buy a home and help them. When I started, I was only 23 and just got out of graduate school. It was a small, 60-bed home that really needed an incredible amount of work. I went to the Trustees and I was honest with them. I said them I didn't have a lot of experience, but we could all work together and figure out how to do this so we can improve the home."

By 1983, they were able to demolish the home on Lafayette Avenue and build the brand new Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home – a home that was just completely renovated and modernized this past year.

Over the past 100 years, Chelsea Jewish Lifecare has achieved many similar and significant milestones.

The opening of the award-winning Leonard Florence Center for Living in 2010, the first urban Green House skilled nursing facility in the country, is one example. This revolutionary nursing home in Chelsea includes 30 rooms devoted to individuals diagnosed with ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis) and MS (multiple sclerosis). Individuals are able to live as independently as possible through the cutting-edge technology built into the center. Today the Leonard Florence Center takes care of more individuals living with ALS under one roof than any place in the world.

The organization greatly expanded in 2016 with the addition of a Peabody campus and again in 2018 with the affiliation of JGS Lifecare in Longmeadow. All three campuses reflect the organization's mission: to be the most respected provider of service-enriched residential care and post-acute care for seniors and individuals living with debilitating neurological conditions.

In 2017, the Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home underwent a dramatic \$16 million renovation. The new building reflects a legacy Green House skilled nursing model that can be easily duplicated by nursing homes across the country. This concept sets the stage for new level of care in senior housing.

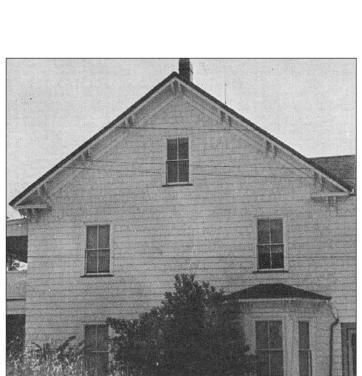
"We came back to the home atmosphere that our founder, Mrs. Goldberg, originally had in mind," said Adam Berman, president of Chelsea Jewish Lifecare. "What's so unique about our model is that we've combined contemporary design elements with the traditional concept of making one's home as warm and inviting as possible."

On April 28, employees, residents, families, friends and community members came together to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Chelsea Jewish Lifecare. Governor Charlie Baker recognized this momentous day by issuing a Citation in honor of this special anniversary. Amidst dinner, dancing and emotional speeches, attendees viewed a slide show with over 200 photos spanning the last 100 years. A highlight of the event was a heartfelt tribute to the 49 staff members who have worked at the organization for 25 years or more.

Barry Berman summed up the night perfectly: "Our employees are the real reason behind our longevity. Without them, we wouldn't be here today."

Looking to the future, Berman said they will look to grow, but not hastily.

"We believe in growth, but we also believe in very calculated and smart growth," he said. "Some companies can grow too fast. Although we are ready to grow, we are cautious about it...We do it with our eyes wide open because we're not going to grow just to grow."



Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home in 1919.



Alan Bolotin and Elliot Katzman.



(L-R) Adam Berman CJL president, City Manager Tom Ambrosino, and Barry Berman, CJL CEO.



(L-R) Barry Berman, Jeffrey Brudnick and Susan Brudnick.



Ina Hoffman, admissions director LFCL, dancing at Celebration.



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