









# A Chelsea developer is planning a \$2 million transformation of Masonic Hall in Lynn

By Thomas Grillo

More apartments are coming to downtown Lynn. A Chelsea developer is planning a \$2 million transformation of the mostly vacant Masonic Hall at the corner of Market and Liberty streets.

New Boston Cos. secured a permit to turn the four-story brick landmark into 35 market rate apartments above the first floor furniture store.

“We want to be part of the revitalization of the downtown,” said Rick Costa, the company’s president. “We are really excited about it.”

When completed, the

National Register of Historic Places property will offer 27 studio apartments and eight two-bedroom units on the second, third, and fourth floors.

He pledged to keep as many of the original architectural features of the building, such as the detailed wood paneling in many of the rooms.

Costa paid \$1.5 million for the historic building in August, according to the Southern Essex County Registry of Deeds. He purchased the 23,000-square-foot property from Charles Patsios, who paid \$1.1 million for it last spring.

At the time, the Swampscott developer said he planned to convert the

building into a hotel. Instead, he flipped it and collected a \$400,000 profit in the deal.

So far, efforts by a city agency and a panel comprised of local and state officials to attract an investor to construct a hotel in Lynn have failed. Among those that have tried include the Economic Development & Industrial Corp., the city’s development bank, and the Lynn Economic Advancement and Development team, formed to jump-start development in the city.

Built in 1880, the Victorian Gothic architectural style property originally housed the Lynn branch of the YMCA. The building was sold to the local Ma-

sonic lodge in 1907. The Masons held onto the property for 112 years before the recent sale.

The Masonic project comes as construction is underway on nearby Munroe Street for The Caldwell, a 259-unit high-rise luxury apartment project. The 10-story development promises amenities such as a rooftop deck, pool, fitness center, a lounge, underground parking. Rents are expected to range from \$2,000 to more \$3,000.

The \$90 million project is a joint venture between developer Procopio Cos. of Lynnfield and affiliates of the Carlyle Group, a publicly-traded global investor in Washington, D.C. Leas-

ing could start as early as next year.

In addition, a North Andover developer broke ground last week on the 14-acre former Beacon Chevrolet property on the Lynnway for a \$100 million apartment waterfront community. Expected to open in two years, rents for the 331 studio, one- and two-bedroom units are expected to be in the \$1,800 to \$2,500.

Costa said the number of units in his project could change and rents have yet to be determined. But his apartments will not be high-priced, he added.

“Our rents will not be anywhere close to those other two developments,”

he said. “We want to make sure it’s a project that’s affordable to people who want to live downtown, but can’t pay luxury rents.”

Ward 5 Councilor Dianna Chakoutis, whose district includes the downtown, said she was unfamiliar with the project and declined comment.

But Seth Albaumb, a longtime downtown resident and a founder of the Downtown Lynn Neighborhood Association, said more housing will fuel vitality in the downtown.

“Having more neighbors in the downtown is a good thing,” he said.

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6-foot-2-inch center, Latoya Perry, whose incredible put-back, game-winning basket in the final seconds helped Chelsea win the North sectional championship and a trip to the Boston Garden.

There were unsung contributors as well, Charol Soto, Kendra Sanon, Carrema Thomas, Leslie Santiago, and Elaine Santiago – all of whom helped put Chelsea on the map in the 1999-2000 season.

They returned to Chelsea High Friday night at the invitation of Director of Athletics Amanda Alpert to be honored at halftime of the Chelsea-Notre Dame Academy girls basketball game 20 years after their marvelous season.

They stood together at midcourt in the gymnasium where they made school history as the most successful team ever. Yvette Chappell, mother, of all-time leading scorer Denise Chappell, participated in the ceremony representing her daughter.

Afterwards, they talked about their historic campaign.

“It’s feels great to be back here,” said Katrina Hill, who won five conference titles as a track athlete and set the javelin record. “I have awesome memories of our basketball season. It’s great seeing everyone again.”

Hill, one of the CHS basketball captains, went on to play soccer, basketball, and softball at Regis College in Weston. She received a degree in Communications and currently works at MIT.

Latoya Perry, a junior center on the team, has vivid memories of her game-winning basket in the North sectional championship game.

“I remember the coaches telling me to bang the backboards and just go straight up for the shot,” said Perry. “Playing in the Boston Gar-

den was the best time in my life – nothing compared to that. Those memories will never fade. It’s great to see everyone – we still keep in contact, we all have a Facebook group chat so we all still talk, so it’s all good.”

Perry said 1,000-point scorers Lopez and Chappell were good motivators. “I was a center, but they taught me more about the game, like dribbling and passing. I learned a lot from Denise and Autumn.”

Autumn Lopez, daughter of Mike Lopez and Mamie Robinson Lopez, said, “It feels just like yesterday. I love it.”

Lopez said it was fun to share the moment with her son, Z’Andre. “I get to show my son what it was all about – he never saw me in action, that was well before his day.”

Lopez was the unselfish playmaker who often passed up open shots to feed her teammates, especially the brilliant baseliner, Denise Chappell, who was



This year’s Chelsea High School girls basketball team presented flowers to the members of the 1999-2000 team in recognition of their amazing championship season during a halftime ceremony Friday night.

so automatic in the paint.

“I loved setting up Denise – I just did whatever it took,” said Lopez. “It was Latoya Perry who made that monster basket. I remember that hoop like yesterday – 20 years later. Playing in the Garden was awesome.”

The dynamic guard continued her basketball career at Franklin Pierce and UMass/Boston. She led the Bunker Hill Community College women’s teams to two appearances in the

Elite Eight.

Thomas Fay III, head coach of the 1999-2000 team, and Joseph Mullaney, assistant coach of the team who went on to become a popular CHS principal, were unable to attend the ceremony. Both coaches Fay and Mullaney did a phenomenal job maximizing the team’s potential and leading the Red Devil hoopsters to unimaginable heights that have not been duplicated since that magical season.

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and actual enforcement will start on Jan. 6 when everything slows down.”

Maltez said on Jan. 6, inspectors from DPW and Inspectional Services will go out to the stores and begin enforcing the ordinance. If any business is found in non-compliance, they will have 14 days to correct the problem.

He said the biggest supplier of the plastic bags in question is Market Basket. The store, he said, believes it can make the change by then.

“We had a meeting with Market Basket’s leadership and shared the approach and they are confident they will be ready to fully roll out the ban by Jan. 6,” he said.

The bag ban was passed earlier in 2019, but was delayed until Dec. 17 for implementation. The ban was passed as a measure to help the environment with re-

ducing the use of single-use plastics, and also to control litter in Chelsea.

“Single-use plastic is not good and is controllable and can’t be recycled or repurposed,” he said. “By eliminating single-use plastic bags, we’re hoping to lead the change from an environmental standpoint. It can also reduce litter. You travel Broadway and there are always the white and black plastic bags all over the sidewalk. Maybe with the implementation of this, we can reduce that and you won’t see these bags anymore.”

There are some exceptions to the rule.

The plastic bags used for produce and other loose articles are exempt, as are newspaper bags. A thicker, reusable plastic bag will be for sale at most all stores under the ordinance, but there is no specified price for them.

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NC 60A Chelsea LLC	6097 Corner LLC	60 Arlington St	\$3,000,000
Ivanivsky, Paul	Wilson, Derek	950 Broadway #32	\$446,000
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This is a wonderful time of the year, to paraphrase the song, with holiday music playing in the malls and on our car radios, resurrecting our earliest childhood memories -- even for the younger set -- of Christmases-past.

We choose just the right tree, decorate it carefully with our family-heirloom ornaments, and when we first turn on the lights, it brings a smile even to the oldest among us.

Despite the hectic rushing to and fro', everybody it seems, is in a good mood. We endure the traffic, the long lines in stores, and more, because we know that what we are doing will bring joy and happiness to others.

For those of us with young children, we get to see Christmas through their eyes, giving us a second-chance to experience the wonder and joy that we felt when we were their age.

Although all of us celebrate the holiday season in our own way, the common thread is one of peace, joy, and happiness, regardless of religious or secular beliefs. Whether it be Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or a Seinfeldian Festivus, the spirit of the season imbues us with a sense of togetherness that transcends whatever negativity may exist both in our own lives and in the world around us.

We wish all of our readers a happy holiday season.

### ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS -- SAFELY

Christmas this year is part of what for many people will be an extra-long weekend, which means that for many of us, we will be indulging in the "Christmas spirit" early and often.

By no means do we wish to cast negative thoughts, but we would be remiss if we did not remind all of our readers to enjoy the holiday season safely. This especially means that we should be careful not to drink and drive, nor allow our friends or family members to do so.

If someone appears to be under the influence, it is incumbent upon all of us not to let that person get behind the wheel of a car. Call an Uber if you have to -- if it is within our ability to prevent a tragedy, we must take the appropriate action.

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# Forum



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### GUEST OP-ED

## Count our blessings for freedom of the press

We go about our daily lives in the United States of America. We read newspapers in the U.S. and via internet we have access to myriad newspapers around the world. But how often do we stop and consider press freedom? How often do we count our blessings when we peruse social media news outlets? How often do we show gratitude to journalists and people that bring us the news?

USA. The First Amendment, which protects freedom of the press, was adopted on Dec. 15, 1791, as part of the Bill of Rights.

UN. May 3 was proclaimed World Press Freedom Day the UN General Assembly in 1993.

According to 2017 report from Freedom House, a U.S. based nonprofit, only 13 percent of the world's population experiences a free press.

North Korea is identified as one of the most oppressive countries for silencing journalists and information via "harassment, arrest, torture or killing" according to a 2019 NPR article and

Reporters Without Borders.

Read the following excerpt from Lee Kwang Baek, president of a press freedom newspaper in North Korea.

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serve." [www.dailynk.com](http://www.dailynk.com).

**Press Freedom in the US**

"When journalists are obstructed, so is the public's right to be informed and hold power to account. The United States has some of the strongest legal free speech protections in the world, and serves as a beacon for press freedom in a world where journalists are routinely censored, attacked, or imprisoned for their work. But the U.S. record is imperfect, and journalists and advocates must tirelessly defend the First Amendment in courts, in legislatures, and in the media. Constant vigilance and an honest accounting of the country's track record on press freedom are essential." [www.freedom.press](http://www.freedom.press).

**Threats to Press Freedom in US**

What is the U.S. Press Freedom Tracker? "The U.S. Press Freedom Tracker aims to comprehensively document press freedom violations in the United States committed by national, state, and local

authorities, as well as by private individuals. These include: journalist arrests, assaults, border stops, camera and equipment seizures, surveillance orders, subpoenas, and more." [www.pressfreedomtracker.us](http://www.pressfreedomtracker.us).

Will you stand up and defend press freedom in your hometown, state, and country? Will you stand up and defend press freedom for all countries on our planet?

This holiday season let us remember the journalists killed in the line of duty, both home and abroad and those falsely imprisoned.

Let us stop and count our blessings for press freedom in the United States of America.

"Oil may run out, liquidity may dry up, but as long as ink flows freely, the next chapter of Life will continue to be written." — Alex Morritt

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## POLICE Briefs

By SETH DANIEL AND PAUL KOOLLOIAN

### DRIVIN' CRAZY

On Dec. 10, at 8:35 p.m., officers were alerted that there was a motor vehicle with front end damage operating the wrong way on Chestnut Street, passing Williams Street, heading toward Beacon Street. Officers observed and stopped the vehicle. The operator was placed into custody for not having a license and the vehicle towed.

Hector Supic Came, 49, of Burlington, was charged with one way violation, unlicensed operation and having possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle.

### MAJOR SITUATION AT CHELSEA HIGH

On Dec. 11, a CPD offi-

cer at Chelsea High School was advised of an active situation that the school was handling with a juvenile student. The student was allegedly threatening a male student. Due to the juvenile's aggressive behavior, the officer was placed the student under arrest.

The 17-year-old Chelsea youth was charged with assault and battery on a police officer, trespassing, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, resisting arrest, two counts of assault and three counts of threatening to commit a crime.

**COOKING OIL TANK EXPLODES**

On Dec. 17, at around 5:30 a.m., the Fire Department responded to lower Broadway for a report of an

explosion. Upon arrival the Incident Commander observed a stationary storage tank heavily involved in fire from the right end of the tank, on the site of Global Terminal, adjacent to the entrance of Chelsea Yacht Club. Command consulted with the yard attendant to identify the product and the proper extinguishing agent.

The product was identified as a component of biodiesel, which was used cooking oil. The tank capacity is 25,000 gallons with approximately 1,500 gallons of product within. First alarm companies set up hose lines and quickly extinguished the fire. The scene was turned over to the Fire Investigation Unit and Hazardous Materials Officer.

This incident ran

smoothly with the cooperation of the Global Yard employees who worked quickly to shut down power and utilities and notifying DEP and the Coast Guard immediately. All runoff from the tank was collected in yard separator and did not spill onto Broadway. Fire Department crews safely and effectively extinguished the fire and removed the hazard.

The cause of the explosion was most likely an exterior fire within the pump equipment that heated the vessel causing it to fail and rupture. This was not a pressurized storage tank. The DEP and Clean Harbours are on site and the incident has been mitigated with no injuries or environmental impact.

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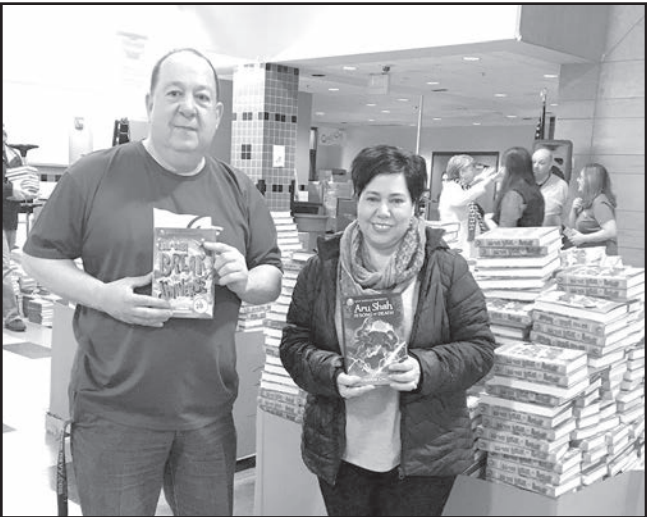
Staff Report

## Hour of Code

Students and teachers at the MCB Complex participated in the Hour of Code throughout the month of December. The Hour of Code is a global movement introducing tens of millions of students worldwide to computer science, inspiring kids to learn more, breaking stereotypes, and leaving them feeling empowered. Technology Integration Coaches Mercy Deleidi and Laura Hubert led elementary teachers through this year’s Hour of Code activities during the December PD afternoon. Teachers had fun and were ready to bring coding to their classrooms!

## BURKE COMPLEX

The holiday spirit was in the air this week at the MCB Complex. The Berkowitz, Kelly, and Sokolowski Schools successfully hosted the second annual Holiday Shop, to support families who needed a little extra help to make this holiday season special. Staff members, families, and friends donated toys, books, games, coats, clothes, toiletries, and more. A very special thank you to the union members of Teamsters Local 25 and their president Sean O’Brien, who generously supported school families by donating hundreds of toys from their annual toy drive. Due to the generosity of all involved, more than 90 families were invited to come in last week and select gifts for their children for Christmas.



A big THANK YOU and shout out to the Chelsea Teacher’s Union Local #1340 along with First Book for the Free Book Giveaway they hosted last Saturday, Dec. 14, at the Mary C. Burke Complex. Thousands of books were given out to CPS families. Thank you to Union President Don Dabenigno, Parent Liaisons, and all of the teachers & paras who volunteered for the event. Pictured here are Dabenigno and Supt. Almi Abeyta.

Parents and staff volunteers enjoyed shopping and wrapping presents for more than 150 of our elementary students and their siblings.

## Early Learning Center

ELC Staff celebrated the retirements of Title 1 Reading Teacher, Joni Piotti, and Kindergarten Teacher, Elise Cooper. Everyone thanked them for their many years of dedication and service to the children of Chelsea and wished them the best in their retirement.

## Sokolowski School

•The Sokolowski School had a packed house for their winter concert last week and the students sounded great. A very special con-

grats for a job well done to Ms. Wivchar. Thank you to everyone that helped make the show a success.

•Ms. Yi’s third graders and their families have been participating in a weekly book club called Family Read! Each week, families pick a book to read at home for the week. Then, on Thursdays they meet to have dinner together, enjoy a science presentation and then work on literacy activities on the books they have read at home. Last week, they shared about the books, ‘Albert,’ ‘A Drop of Water’ and ‘When the Wind Stops.’

## Browne Middle

•Browne 6th graders made holiday gifts for Chelsea seniors a couple of weeks ago and they took them to the Chelsea Se-

nior Center. Everyone is so proud of the students and teachers who represented what’s best about the students and the school. Seniors sang for the students, students sang for the seniors, gave their gifts and shared lots of hugs. They are experiencing what it’s like to have pride in being a member of a community and offer kindness and love to others.

•Congratulations to the students and staff involved in the Browne School and Wright Academy Winter Concert. Under the direction of Lee Thomas, Melanie Carubia and accom-

panist Carlie Schwaeber, more than 100 student musicians wowed a packed crowd of family and friends with their musical talent.

## Chelsea High

•CHS’s Interact Club Members volunteered at Rosie’s Place, a women’s shelter in Roxbury, this past Saturday, Dec. 14. The students cooked a meal and cleaned up the kitchen afterward. The volunteer coordinator said how much she loves having Chelsea students come because they are incredible volunteers.

•National Honor Soci-

ety bought 100 wreaths for Wreaths Across America and this event is Nationwide on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m. More than 10 Chelsea High School staff bought wreaths for this event. Even in the rain, more than 20 NHS members attended along with new School Board Member Roberto Jimenez Rivera, Superintendent-Elect Dr. Abeyta, and other members of the community. Councilor Leo Robinson City shared his experience as a veteran. Thanks to everyone who helped out with this wonderful event.

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# CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

## Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves Rehabilitation Project

Construction Look-Ahead: December 15 – 28

### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

•ROUTE 1 NORTHBOUND: Approaching the Tobin Bridge from Boston, the workzone begins in the left lane. 2 of 3 travel lanes will be open during daytime hours (5 a.m.–10 p.m.) and at least 1 travel lane will be open during overnight hours (10 p.m.–5 a.m.).

•ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND: Approaching the Chelsea Curves from the North Shore, the workzone begins in the left lane before the Carter Street off-ramp. 2 of 3 travel lanes will be open during daytime hours (5 a.m.–10 p.m.) and at least 1 travel lane will be open during overnight hours (10 p.m.–5 a.m.).

•FOURTH STREET OFF-RAMP: Safety and surface improvements to the Fourth Street off-ramp are near completion. Weather permitting, the ramp will reopen to traffic on Thursday, December 19.

•LOCAL STREETS: Carter Street travel lanes passing under Route 1 continue to divert around the active workzone. Signs and police details will be used to guide travelers around the workzones.

## WORK HOURS

•Most work will occur in during daytime working hours (6 a.m.–2 p.m.) on weekdays. Some work will take place during afternoon (2 p.m.–7 p.m) and overnight hours (7 p.m.–6 a.m.) and on Saturdays (7 a.m.–7 p.m.).

•No work will take place on December 25 in observance of the Christmas holiday. Happy holidays!

DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULED WORK

•ROUTE 1 NORTH-

BOUND: Bridge deck repairs continue in the left lane over the Tobin Bridge. Bridge deck removal and installation of new bridge deck will take place through the Chelsea Curves.

•ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND: Paint new deflector plates and steel repairs. Remove bridge deck and install new bridge deck through the Chelsea Curves.

•UNDERNEATH ROUTE 1: Replace and paint steel; power wash and paint columns and support beams; excavate, drill, and grout around support columns; erect steel; and place new concrete columns.

•RAMPS AND LOCAL STREETS: Safety and crash barrier improvements continue on the Fourth Street Ramp as well as power washing, painting, and reinforcement of concrete support columns near Carter Street. Steel painting and repairs continue on the Beacon Street off-ramp.

## Upcoming Closure: Arlington Street On-Ramp

•Beginning Monday, January 6, 2020, the Arlington Street on-ramp to Route 1 Southbound in Chelsea will close until Fall 2020 for necessary maintenance and rehabilitation.

•Drivers looking to take Route 1 Southbound in Chelsea may use the Carter Street on-ramp near Chelsea High School or the Everett Avenue on-ramp near Walnut Street.

## TRAVEL TIPS

The contractors are coordinating with local event organizers and police to provide awareness and manage traffic during events. For your awareness, the following events are scheduled during this look-ahead period:

•Celtics: 12/27 at 4 p.m., 12/28 at 7 p.m.

•Concerts and Events: 12/26 at 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

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HERMAN AND MARSHA WEISS ENTERTAIN AT TEMPLE EMMANUEL

Herman Weiss and Marsha Johnson Weiss put on an outstanding musical evening of cabaret in the newly renovated social hall at Temple Emmanuel.

The talented husband-and-wife duo presented the best songs of three Jewish composers, Kern, Rogers, and Gershwin, to the delight of an appreciative audience of Temple Emmanuel members and guests.

Meet The Dreamsong Duo

Herman Weiss, Ph.D., is a distinguished composer, pianist, and conductor. He studied on a Fulbright Scholarship in Paris, ran the Composers in Red Sneakers, and packed in the audiences in Cambridge. He has accompanied many organizations, The Next Move Theater in Boston, and currently accompanies Boston Ballet and the Somerville Chorus. He is music director for the First Parish in Manchester by the Sea.

Marsha Johnson Weiss is a prize-winning soprano with numerous appearances in the Boston area to her credit. Currently she serves the Chelsea Jewish LifeCare community as a Music Therapist for Hospice. She has soloed with Aspen Opera, Bach Aria Group, Civic Symphony, and presented many solo recitals and concerts.



Seated are Barbara Kamens, Marsha Kamens, Sharon Levine, and Rosemary Kverek (back) Rabbi Oksana Chapman, spiritual leader of Temple Emmanuel, Sara Lee Callahan, president of Temple Emmanuel, and the evening's entertainers, prize-winning soprano Marsha Johnson Weiss and pianist and composer Dr. Herman Weiss.



Backstage with the entertainers, Herman Weiss and Marsha Johnson Weiss.



Donna Orlandino, Bertha Doyle; (back) Cindy Millman and Judy Orlandino.



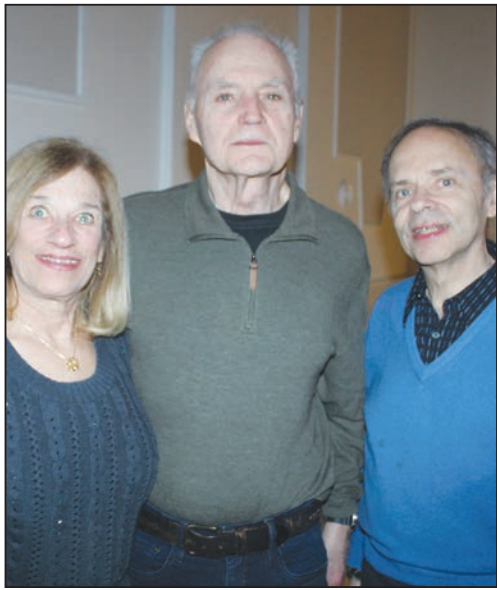
Edythe Shuman and Phyllis Vigoda; (back) Earl Vigoda, Marsha Johnson Weiss, and Kenneth Wacks.



Front row, Gloria Gerrig, Beverly Feinstein, Sharon Minkovitz, and Carl Minkovitz. Back row, Barbara Gerrig, Stephen Vider, Marsha Johnson Weiss, and Herman Weiss.



Herb Selesnick (left), whose father, Sid Selesnick owned Sid's Men's Shop on Broadway for many years, and Hilda Sterling (right).



Janice Doherty, her husband, John Doherty, and her brother, Kenneth Wacks.



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# Sports

## CHS hoop team wins, 79-75

Photos by Emily Harney

The Chelsea Boys' basketball team hosted Mystic

Valley in their home opener on Tuesday, Dec. 17, in the CHS gymnasium. The Chelsea boys showed grit in

coming back down by eight in the third quarter, eventually winning the contest 79-75.

In other Chelsea High Sports news:

### STEPH SIMON WINS THE LONG JUMP AT THE SPEED CLASSIC

Chelsea senior Stephanie Simon won her second championship in as many weeks at a major meet with a victory in the long jump at the Speed Classic at the Reggie Lewis Center this past Saturday.

Stephanie captured the long jump at the Winter Festival the week before with a leap of 17'-4", a distance that was more than a foot further than her closest competitor. At the Speed Classic, she jumped 17'-8," once again handily outdistancing the competition, with the second place finisher coming in at 17'-2.25."

Simon also performed outstandingly in the 55 meter dash, grabbing second place in a clocking of 7.61 seconds.

On the boys' side for the Red Devils, Jazmany Reyes was the top finisher, coming across the line in eighth place in the 600 meter dash in a time of 1:28.59.



Kamaury Appleberry coming down the court.



Eldon Bonitto drives the lane.



Kamaury Appleberry (5) and Armani Cheek get set.



Armani Cheek takes the baseline drive.



Chelsea players congratulates teammate Jaciel Mejia Bardales (34) after he sang the National Anthem prior to the start of the game.



The Chelsea team gathers around Coach Judah Jackson in the huddle.

### BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

## Bruins Christmas wish is win more games

Following Monday night's game at TD Garden with the Washington Capitals, the Bruins will begin their Christmas break, which will last until Thursday. Division rival, Buffalo Sabres will host Boston on Friday (7:00pm), to begin a home-and-home series, which will culminate with a Sunday (7:00pm) rematch on Garden Ice. The New Jersey Devils will provide the opposition on Tuesday, in a 1:00pm mat-

inee. The Bruins will begin the New Year (2020) on home ice, beginning with a two-game homestand which will include visits from the Columbus Blue Jackets (Thursday, January 2 @ 7:00pm), and Connor McDavid's Edmonton Oilers here Saturday, January 4 @ 1:00pm.

Bruins forward David Pastrnak received an early Christmas present when the National Hockey League announced, that Pastrnak

has been named the Atlantic Division captain for the 2020 NHL All-Star Game. At press time (Monday), Pastrnak, 23, leads the NHL in goals (28) and power play goals (13) this season. The 6-foot, 194-pound right wing has also added 22 assists for 50 points (6th, NHL) with a plus-11 rating in 36 games. He ranks among the league's leaders in several offensive categories, producing six game-winning goals (T-1st,

NHL), 20 power play points (3rd, NHL), 140 shots (4th, NHL) and averaging 1.39 points per game (6th, NHL). Over his six-year NHL career, Pastrnak has totaled 160 goals and 174 assists for 334 points in 356 games.

Wishing all the followers of the Chelsea Record's Bruins Beat column, a Merry Christmas!

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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

## CRIMINAL CASE AGAINST FORESTEIRE TO HAVE HEARING JAN. 30

EVERETT - It has been one year since longtime, former Supt. Fred Foresteire retired abruptly from his position in the wake of accusations of sexual harassment, and the criminal case against him – which went forward last February – is still in its infancy this week.

A status hearing in Malden District Court – which is now housed in Medford on Revere Beach Parkway – was waived last Thursday, Dec. 12, and a more concrete Pre-Trial Hearing was scheduled for Jan. 30.

The Pre-Trial Hearing phase usually sets forth more facts and fact-finding that has been done behind the scenes by the attorneys. It also usually sets a timeline for other hearings and a potential trial date.

Foresteire’s attorney, Gerald Malone, has not responded to many calls for comment on the case.

Victims, or their attorneys, have not been present in the court for the arraignment or status conferences.

Foresteire has been charged with the following crimes on three victims:

- Indecent assault and battery on a person over the age of 60.
- Assault and Battery.
- And, five counts of indecent assault and battery on a person over the age of 14.

## FLOWER BOMB AT BUS STOP

EVERETT - Building upon the scented success of the first bus stop Flower Bomb last year, the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) effort and Mayor Carlo DeMaria are looking to capitalize on the excitement during the winter season.

BRT officials and Mayor DeMaria were at the bus stop on Broadway/Chelsea to showcase the Winter Flower Bomb last week – another creation by Krissy Price at the bus stop based upon a palette of winter plants. Mayor DeMaria and BRT officials will hand out hot chocolate, hot cider, candy canes and other treats as they tout the benefits of BRT in Everett and beyond.

“Broadway is one of Greater Boston’s highest-potential transit corridors, so it’s important that we not only prioritize but really celebrate our buses and the people who ride them,” said Mayor DeMaria. “I urge everyone who rides the bus to speak up for more improvements and BRT, and if you haven’t ridden the bus lately, you should! The experience may be a pleasant surprise.”

Adrian Gill, of Ad Hoc Industries, is serving as the creative director for the BRT initiative and said the Winter Flower Bomb will be a way to generate excitement for something that typically isn’t exciting – waiting for the bus.

“We really thought the last Flower Bomb was super successful and we wanted to try to do a winter version that could stay up longer,” he said. “The last one was only up three days because of the nature of fresh-cut flowers. This one will be made with dried flowers and will stay up at least a month. That’s the big difference between the two of them. Because this one will go in over the winter, it’s going to have more of a winter super-feel to it.”

Gill said Price would be using dried flowers, birch branches and LED lights at night.

The idea isn’t just to de-

light in the beauty of seasonal flowers, but to generate excitement for the bus and the idea of enhancing it with BRT improvements like dedicated bus lanes and level boarding.

“It’s really going to be a cerebral thing and the reason why we chose this idea for a Flower Bomb is because flowers are a universal sign of giving and crosses all barriers – whether class, politics or language,” said Gill. “No matter what, we can all speak with the language of flowers. We thank the mayor and how much he has already done. Now we can bring something exciting to public transportation. It’s good to do something celebratory with BRT. It’s not only the metrics. Any time we can improve the experience for bus riders, it’s a good thing.

“There are only so many times you can go to the public and talk about BRT before it becomes boring,” he continued. “Now we have an opportunity to talk about level boarding and other BRT concepts with an interesting frame – flowers.”

The event on Wednesday, Dec. 18, will take place at 11 a.m. in Everett Square.

## WALSH SIGNS AFFORDABLE HOUSING BILL

EAST BOSTON - It was a huge win for District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards, her colleague Councilor Kim Janey and affordable housing advocates across the city.

On Monday, Mayor Martin Walsh signed Edwards and Janey’s Home Rule Petition to impose a real estate transfer fee of 2 percent on the purchase price of any private real estate sale over \$2 million and dedicate all revenues to affordable housing. The 2 percent fee will be used to generate additional funding to create and preserve affordable housing in Boston. The City Council approved the measure by a vote of 10-3.

The signing by Walsh now moves Edwards and Jayne’s Home Rule Petition to the Massachusetts Legislature for approval. If approved by the state, the City would have the ability to determine the final rate for the fee, collection method and any exemptions that would exist.

“Housing is the biggest economic challenge facing the residents of Boston and people across our region,” said Mayor Walsh. “That’s why it’s critically important that we do everything we can to support the creation of homes that are affordable, while also preserving our existing housing stock. I am proud to sign this Home Rule Petition that is a significant step forward in our work, by giving Boston the ability to impose a modest fee on the sale of private property, which will collectively do a world of good towards our efforts to make Boston a more affordable place to live.”

According to the Home Rule Petition would authorize the City of Boston to impose a fee of up to 2 percent of the purchase price upon the transfer of property valued at over \$2 million, with 1 percent paid by the seller and one percent paid by the purchaser.

The funding generated would be dedicated to the Neighborhood Housing Trust (NHT) or appropriated through the annual budget process to support the creation and preservation of affordable housing in the City. Since it was created by statute in 1987, the NHT has expended approximately \$197 million to finance housing and supported approximately 12,887 units.

The real estate transfer fee would, within a matter of two or three years, enable the NHT to dedicate more resources to housing than it has done since its creation.

Councilor Edwards, who chairs the Council’s Committee on Housing and Community Development, said those who generate wealth in our communities must be part of ensuring residents can remain in the neighborhoods they love.

“Today, Boston joins a growing coalition of municipalities asking the state for the power to ensure that the housing we build truly meets our residents’ needs,” she said.

This fall, the Walsh administration commissioned a study on the potential impact of transfer fees in the City of Boston and examine transfer fees across the country. The study found that “market actors do not appear to be fully incorporating the transaction costs.... Transfer taxes may have only muted impacts on real estate markets.” It also noted that a separate study of real estate commissions, another “point of sale” fee, had minimal impacts on residential housing in the Boston or on the days a property was listed on the market.

Municipalities such as Somerville, Concord and Nantucket have advanced home rule petitions to authorize a real estate transfer fee.

“It is absolutely imperative that we enact policies that will ensure our residents will have a safe and affordable home to live in for many generations,” said Councilor Janey, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Housing and Community Development. “When passed by the state legislature, this home rule petition will help curb speculative real estate practices and stands to bring as much as \$169 million in revenue annually that can be invested in affordable housing.”

According to an analysis conducted by PFM Group Consulting, real estate sales in Suffolk County have ranged from approximately \$3 billion to over \$12 billion in the last decade. The City of Boston accounts for 86 percent of the county’s population and real estate activity. From 2009 through year-to-date, total private real estate sales have averaged \$8.4 billion. Based on average sales in Suffolk County, estimates show that a 1 percent fee on all private-market sales would have raised \$84 million per year over the last decade, and a two percent fee would have generated over \$168 million, a significant increase on the City’s existing affordable housing investments.

“There is no question that in Boston we need to do everything we can to support the creation of homes that are affordable, while also preserving our existing housing stock,” said Walsh before signing the Home Rule Petition Monday.

Affordable Housing advocates, like NOAH’s (Neighborhood of Affordable Housing) Executive Director Phil Giffey, are elated by what they are calling a ‘monumental’ step in ensuring more affordable housing is built and preserved in neighborhoods like Eastie.

“This is monumental news for affordable and workforce housing for the City of Boston,” said Giffey. “A big thank you to both the Mayor and to our City Councilor, Lydia Edwards, who championed this significant effort and brought a coalition together. Now we need to mobilize that coalition at the State House, where we know Rep Madaro and Sen. Boncore

## EBCC SCHOOL PRESENTS LIVE NATIVITY SCENE



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

The East Boston Central Catholic eighth graders performing, ‘Ave Maria’ and a live Nativity scene during their annual Christmas show on Friday night, Dec. 13. Scores of children throughout all grades performed for a packed house of friends, family and staff at the school.

will help lead the charge for passage. To the credit of the Mayor and Lydia, I appreciate they discussed implementation differences and worked to the middle for a workable alliance of interests. I also appreciate seeing leaders working together to solve problems that affect real people, and there are few issues as important to people and the economy as housing. NOAH thanks for making this happen.”

## MASSHOUSINGS COMMITS \$7.9M TO PROJECT

REVERE - A development project to bring much-needed workforce and affordable housing opportunities to the City of Revere got a boost from MassHousing last week.

MassHousing has committed \$7.9 million in affordable housing financing to the non-profit The Neighborhood Developers (TND) for the construction of the 571 Revere St.

The MassHousing financing will allow TND to construct 51 units of new affordable housing for households across a broad range of income, including 19 new workforce housing units.

“By transforming a vacant parcel into a new, modern community of affordable and workforce housing, The Neighborhood Developers will help ensure that a revitalized Revere Beach remains welcoming and accessible to residents of all means,” said MassHousing Executive Director Chrystal Kornegay. “TND is a strong, mission-based developer, and MassHousing is pleased to be part of the team making this important project a reality.”

MassHousing is providing TND with a \$6 million permanent loan and \$1.9 million in workforce housing financing from the Agency’s Workforce Housing Initiative.

The new, energy efficient housing will be constructed in a six-story building on a vacant site two blocks from Revere Beach and within walking distance to the MBTA’s Wonderland subway station. The apartments will be on the top four floors of the building, with garage parking on the first two levels.

Thirty-two apartments will be affordable for households earning at or below 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI), with six of those units further restricted for vulnerable low-income households earning at or below 30 percent of AMI, and five of the affordable units further restricted for households earning at or below 50 percent of AMI. The remaining 19 apartments will be workforce housing units for households earning

at or below 90 percent of AMI. The AMI for Revere is \$113,300 for a household of four.

Eight of the apartments will be subsidized by a federal Section 8 Project Based Housing Assistance Payment contract and three apartments will be subsidized through the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program. There will be 26 one-bedroom apartments, 21 two-bedroom apartments, and 4 three-bedroom apartments.

“571 Revere St. is a transit-oriented development; the 51 new affordable homes will not only be steps away from the beach, but also within easy walking distance of the Wonderland MBTA Station and the MBTA 116 bus line,” said TND’s Executive Director Rafael Mares. “This project wouldn’t be possible without MassHousing’s commitment of affordable housing financing and its partnership.”

The project at 571 Revere St. is part of the Baker-Polito Administration’s goal of creating up to 1,000 new workforce housing units affordable to middle-income households through MassHousing’s \$100 million Workforce Housing Initiative. Since the inception of the initiative in 2016, MassHousing has committed or closed workforce housing financing totaling \$92.4 million to 40 projects, located in 19 cities and towns. To date, the Workforce Housing Initiative has advanced the development of 3,727 housing units across a range of incomes, including 1,006 workforce housing units.

So far MassHousing has financed four rental housing communities in Revere involving 290 housing units and \$17.4 million in financing. The Agency has additionally provided home mortgage loans to 721 Revere homebuyers and homeowners involving \$115.5 million in financing. The general contractor for 571 Revere St. will be NEI General Contracting, the architect is Arrowstreet and the management agent is WinnCompanies.

## POLICE CHIEF GUIDO TO HEAD MPA

REVERE - James R. Guido, an officer in the Revere Police Department for 34 years and its chief since 2017, was installed as president of the Massachusetts Police Association (MPA) at a ceremony Dec. 12 at Casa Lucia.

The honor is a prestigious one with substantial influence. There are approximately 18,000 police officers who are members of the Association. Founded in 1900, it is the oldest police association in Mas-

sachusetts. It is not a union organization, but one that works on legislation on behalf of police officers across the state.

The MPA board of directors, over which Guido presides, meets once a month and there is an annual MPA convention.

Guido, 60, has been an active member of the MPA for several years. “It’s the highlight of my career to go out on top as president of the Mass. Police,” said Guido. “The MPA is near and dear to my heart. I think it’s a wonderful organization and it’s done a lot of great work on behalf of police officers across the state. I look forward to continuing that work in the year ahead.”

Mayor Brian Arrigo, Speaker of the House Robert A. DeLeo, State Rep RoseLee Vincent, Lt. Gov Karyn Polito, and District Attorney Rachael Rollins attended the swearing-in ceremony, offering their personal congratulations. Several city officials also attended the event.

Lily Guido, his wife of 36 years, and their children, Jay and Nanci, also looked on proudly from the audience.

“It was a wonderful time and I can’t thank everyone who came enough for taking time out of their schedule to be there for my swearing-in ceremony,” said Guido.

Guido was humble in his inaugural speech as president.

“I am truly blessed to have such a wonderful family and the best group of friends – thank you for being here today,” he said.

Guido said the 34 years have gone by rather quickly.

“Where did the time go?” he asked. “On that first day 34 years ago, I could not have imagined becoming the chief of police, never mind the president of the MPA. It has been the most rewarding experience of my life to serve as a police officer in the City of Revere. I love Revere and I am so proud to be chief of police in this city. Being chief has been the most exciting two-and-half-years of my career.”

In an interview following the ceremony, Guido reiterated how deeply he cherishes being police chief in Revere.

“It was a great honor that Brian Arrigo allowed me to be chief of police,” said Guido. “I’ve enjoyed every minute of it. I work hard every day to make a difference in the community.”

He is proud of the 107 officers who serve in the Revere Police Department.

“This department is comprised of very talented men and women and it’s a great department that does a great job, and it’s an honor to lead them,” he said.



## AROUND THE CITY

### ACCIDENTALLY ON PURPOSE

Marblehead Little Theatre performs its improvisational comedy show, based on TV show “Whose Line is it, Anyway?” with complimentary beer and wine, December 28, at 8 p.m., Marblehead Little Theatre, 12 School St., Marblehead. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. General admission. Mltlive.com.

### MARTHA REEVES AND THE VANDELLAS

Greater Boston Stage Company celebrates New Year’s Eve with iconic Martha Reeves and the Vandellaa, December 31, at 7 and 10 p.m., 395 Main St., Stoneham. \$80; seniors, \$75. Greaterbostonstage.org, 781-279-2200.

### ALISA AMIDOR

Because of popular demand, Club Passim has added a show for singer-songwriter Alisa Amidor’s appearance, featuring surprise guests, January 1,2,3, at 8 p.m., 47 Palmer St., Cambridge. Tickets are limited for Jan.2,3. \$15, members, \$10. 617-492-7679, passim.org.

### FIREHOUSE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The center and Acting Out! Productions present Jack Neary’s romantic comedy, First Night, Saturday, December 28, at Market Square, Newburyport. Firehouse.org.

### BANNERS KITCHEN AND TAP

Welcome the new year Tuesday, December 31,at The Banners Throwback New Year’s Eve party, and on New Year’s Day, January 1, when the venue, located at the old Bostpn Garden, offers its new brunch menu. Starting at 11 a.m. NYE,\$75, including DJ entertainment, champagne toast, special buffet, all evening, and more. Store. patingroup.com/event/ban-



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### SINATRA STYLE NEW YEAR’S EVE DINNER AND DANCE

Usher in the new year at the Hawthorne Hotel Grand Ballroom, December 31, 7:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m., featuring consummate Frank Sinatra impersonator Michael Dutra, and his nine-piece Strictly Sinatra Band, 18 Washington Square, Salem. 978-744-4080, hawthornehotel.com.

### BOSTON BAROQUE

Soprano Maggie Finnegan performs with Boston Baroque’s New Year’s Eve and First Day gala concerts, December 31, at 8 p.m. and January 1 at 3 p.m., at Sanders Theatre at Harvard University.

### CRY IT OUT

Multi-award winning Artistic Director Danielle Fauteux Jacques directs Apollinaire Theatre Company’s production of Molly Smith Metzler’s play, “Cry It Out,” through January 19: Friday,Saturday, 8 p.m.; January 12,19, 3 p.m., Chelsea Theatre Works, 189 Winnisimmet St., Chelsea. Post-show reception with

actors. 617-887-2336, apollinairetheatre.com.

### CALAMARI SISTERS

The Calamari sisters bring back their holiday music, fun, and dance, in their “Christmas Carol” special, through Sunday, January 5, at the Regent Theatre, 7 Medford St., Arlington, \$30-\$60. 781-646-4849, RegentTheatre.com.

### THE NUTCRACKER

At the Cabot Theatre, 286 Cabot St., Beverly. Dar Williams performs Dec, 27 at 8 p.m., followed by Grateful Ball, featuring Tony Markelis of Trey Anastasio Band and Zach Nugent, formerly of Jerry Garcia Band, Dec.29, at 7:30 p.m. thecabot.org, 978-927-3100, Ticketmaster.

### KOWLOON KOMEDY

Paul D’Angelo headlines, Dec. 27,28, at 8:30 p.m., Each show is \$20. New Year’s Eve, usher in the new year at the Kowloon Restaurant at its party featuring Wild Fire Band in the Luau Room, Doors open at 7 p.m.; champagne toast, party favors, dinner buffet 7-9 p.m. Wild Fire Band performs 9 p.m.-1 a.m. 948 Broadway, Route 1N, Saugus.

781-233-0077.

### PARADE

Moonbox Productions presents the touching musical through December 28, at Boston Center for the Arts Calderwood Pavilion, 527 Tremont St., South End., Boston.

### A.R.T. SHOWS

Besides Moby-Dick, playing through Jan. 12, American Repertory Theater offers: Thumbelina, a Little Musical, through Dec. 31; STL GLD with Cliff Notez and Latrell James, New Year’s Eve, Dec. 31. Amerianrepertorytheater.org, 617-547-8300.

### HOUSE OF THE SEVEN GABLES HOLIDAY TOURS

The Turner-Ingersoll mansion, or House of the Seven Gables, is offering Four Centuries of Christmas house tours through December 31, 115 Derby St., Salem. 7gables.org. 978-744-0991.

### HOLIDAY POPS

The Boston Pops Orchestra ushers in the holiday season, through December 31, with

several surprise guests, at Symphony Hall, 301 Mass. Ave., Boston. 800-266-1200, bostonpops.org.

### WHITE CHRISTMAS

Irving Berlin’s classic musical spins its musical holiday magic again, through December 29, at Boch Center Wang Theatre, Boston. Tickets start at \$25. Bochcenter.org, 800-982-2787, Ticketmaster.

### FADE

Trinity Repertory Theatre presents its Latinx and creative team and cast through January 5, with Tanya Saracho’s dramatic comedy, tickets start at \$27 .201 Washington St., Providence, RI. 401-351-4242, TrinityRep.com/fade.

### DOLLY PARTON’S SMOKY MOUNTA N CHRISTMAS CAROL

Red Tail Productions and Paul T. Couch presents the new musical, through December 29, at Emerson Colonial Theatre, 106 Boylston St., Boston. Tickets start at \$39.50. emersoncolonialtheatre.com, 888-616-0272.

### MOBY-DICK

American Repertory Theater presents the world premiere musical based on Herman Melville’s classic novel, with music, lyrics, book and orchestrations by Dave Malloy, through January 17, tickets from \$25. Loeb Drama Center, 64 Brattle St., Cambridge. AmericanRepertoryTheater.org, 617-547-8300.

### WINTHROP ART ASSOCIATION

The works of 21 Winthrop Art Association artists adorn the State House Senate Hallway, third floor. winthropartassociation.org.

### ACE TICKET EVENTS

The Harlem Globetrotters

appear December 26, at TD Garden. Tickets start at \$28. Celtics take on the Cavs, December 27 and Raptors, Dec. 28; The Patriots vie against the Dolphins, Dec. 29; .http://aceticket.com/Aceticket.com.

### ROSE ART MUSEUM

The Rose Art Museum Brandeis University, 415 South St., Waltham, has on display Into Form: selections from the Rose collection, 1957-2018, through Jan.5, 2020, Gordon Matta-Clark/Anarchitect through Jan, 5 and the permanent installation of Mark Dion’s The Undisciplined Collector. Free parking, admission.

### JULIE KRAMER ROCK AND ROLL PHOTOGRAPHY

The photographer -on-air performer presents her new photography exhibition, “The Basement Archives: The Ghosts of WFNX: Volume II,” through December 20. Free and open to the public, at the Boston Center for Adult Education, 122 Arlington St., Back Bay, Boston.

### KIMSOOJA

The globally renowned Korean artist invites patrons to participate in a meditative sculptural installation, “Archive of Mind,” through Jan.19, 2020, at Peabody Essex Museum, East India Square, downtown Salem. pem.org.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNEYS OF CHINA

Peabody Essex Museum presents A Lasting Memento: John Thomson’s Photographs Along the River Min, reflecting China, past and present, in a new light, through May 17, 2020, East India Square, Downtown Salem. pem.org.

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A 1977 graduate of Revere High School and the Northeast Regional after-school program where he learned carpentry, Guido worked in construction for many years and still holds a construction supervisor’s license.

Guido said he’s still enthusiastic and energetic in his commitment to the Revere Police Department. He takes pride in his accomplishments such as the construction of the new Revere Police Station.

“One of the highlights of my career was getting this new station built,” said Guido. “I spent five years on the project. I think the building serves the community well along with the new fire station.

“As chief, I’ve tried to make the officers be more receptive to the public – what appears to be a minor problem to us can be a significant problem for people – we try to have our officers recognize that and treat every call for service equally.”

He feels Revere is a safe community.

“No community is exempt from crime,” said Guido. “The couple of significant incidents we did have were solved and arrests were made. And that’s a great tribute to the department and its fine work. We’re pro-active.”

The new MPA president and Revere chief said he is currently working hard on the vehicular traffic issues in the city and “there are changes being made to increase the number of traffic lanes at certain intersections to improve the flow of traffic.”

### DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM IN LYNN SCHOOLS

LYNN - Staff members from the English Learner Education Department

were present at last week’s school committee meeting, updating committee members on the Dual Language Program. If all goes according to plan, the program will be instituted at Harrington Elementary School in September 2020.

The push for the Dual Language Program kicked off last December, after Lynn Public Schools (LPS) and Salem Public Schools applied for and received a joint grant from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), which serves the monetary purpose of supporting districts interested in opening a Dual Language Program. Since then, the Salem and Lynn school districts have formed a partnership with Boston College, helping guide the next steps of the process.

“Being able to have this partnership with Salem has been amazing,” said Director of LPS English Learner Education department, Rania Caldwell, who has been attending conferences and visiting other dual language schools throughout the Commonwealth. “We’ve made key programmatic decisions, identified staffing needs, established coursework pathways and a community engagement plan. Boston College had been so helpful and really instrumental in getting course work to our staff members.”

The Department has also applied for other DESE grants designed to fund staffing and bilingual coursework for teachers to complete to guide their instruction of the curriculum.

According to studies conducted by well-known researchers, Thomas and Collier, students enrolled in dual language programs exceed the average performance of their monolingual peers. Unlike a foreign

world language program, where the student starts learning a language in a 45-minute class in middle school or high school, a two-way dual language program would require the student to commit to a six-year curriculum, starting in kindergarten. Half of the student’s day would be spent amongst peers who are also learning a new language and they will end the program knowing how to speak, read and write in both English and Spanish.

“These dual language programs are all over the country, and the languages vary depending on the local population,” said Caldwell. “The end result is a higher level of proficiency of the student’s target language.”

Caldwell shared the three pillars that a successful dual language program is built on.

- Bilingualism and Biliteracy-A high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing both English and Spanish.
- Academic Achievement-The primary goal of the program is to graduate students with excellence in all subject areas in the Spanish and English language
- Socio-cultural competence-The most important aspect of the program is to provide the opportunity to bring students of different backgrounds together to provide opportunities to collaborate, work together and learn from one another and teach them to understand and value cultures that may be different from their own.

### TEACHERS VOICE CONCERNS OVER CONTRACT

WINTHROP - Several teachers and staff members came out to Monday’s

night’s meeting to voice their concerns regarding the unresolved school contracts, hoping to gain a joint understanding with the school committee.

“In January when the new town council is put in, we need to continue to fight for the Winthrop Public Schools,” said Vasilis Mallios, eighth grade math teacher and resident of Precinct 5. “We cannot go in hearing a budget and seeing a deficit of over \$300,000 just for level services. The teachers, ESP’s, nurses, secretaries and the school committee need to start fighting now so that we do not see teachers teaching out of certification and not meeting the needs of our students because of resources. We need to do what’s possible and we cannot let the town continue to use the excuse that we do not have enough money. When is that going to end? We want to make sure we are on the same page and we would love to work together to push the town in the direction we need to be in, in order for our schools to be successful and see our students thrive at the best possibilities that we can provide them as nurses, teachers, ESPs, secretaries and administrators.”

Former staff member, Joannie Singarella, shared her own experience, having to leave the district so she could earn a livable wage.

“I think it’s so despicable and disgusting that a contract cannot be resolved and they’ve gone on so long. I left a job that I absolutely loved to make a livable wage. I’m tired of the town saying they don’t have the money for the most important workers-the police, fire, and schools. It’s about time that the town gives staff livable wages so that teachers can continue to do what they absolutely love to do.”

In response to the teacher’s comments, School Committee Chair, Valentino Capobianco released a statement on behalf of the committee, outlining the timeline of negotiations. The last meeting between the school committee and the Winthrop Teacher’s Association was held on Dec. 11, 2019, with a mediator appointed by the Department of Labor Relations. After several hours of discussion, two additional sessions have been scheduled for January 2020, in an attempt to come to an agreement.

Capobianco shared the following closing statement:

“Members of the Winthrop School Committee deeply value the Winthrop Teacher’s Association, our ESP’s, secretaries, nurses, custodians, staff, and most importantly our students. We need to continue to fund our school system beyond Chapter 70. It is our hope that we will reach an agreement that is fair to our staff, taxpayers, and driven towards student achievement.”

### WSPA CELEBRATES 35 YEARS

WINTHROP - The Winthrop School of Performing Arts (WSPA) is celebrating its 35th year of instructing students ages 3- 18, and beyond, in dance, acting, vocal coaching and instruments. Owner and Director of WSPA, Trudy Macero, began the school with the idea that students could learn a variety of performing arts under one roof. As a former professional performer herself, Macero saw a need for a business that would provide students with the opportunity to try out the various forms of performance, all in one location. And now, 35 years later, Macero gets to wit-

ness her former students, enrolling their own children in the same program that they loved as a child.

“It’s so rewarding to see some of my first students come through the studio doors with their own children and relive the great memories that they had from so many years ago,” said Macero.

Last weekend, the Winthrop School of Performing Arts presented, “A Children’s Holiday Spectacular,” which was a brainstorm of Trudy’s 25 years ago when she decided that she wanted to showcase her dance, acting and voice students all together in one venue during the holiday season. Over the years, the show has become a tradition in the community and is performed every other year in Winthrop with a singing and dancing Santa who happens to be a former Playmaker Star. In addition to providing acts that showcase a holiday theme, several children in the audience have their names and what they want for Christmas announced from the stage. The show has evolved through the years and new songs are added but there are a few songs that continue to be favorites, like “All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth” always performed by a 6-year-old first-grader with missing front teeth. Another favorite is “You’re a Mean One Mr. Grinch” performed at every Christmas show since the beginning by Trudy’s husband John Macero ( former Superintendent of Winthrop Public Schools).

WSPA offers classes starting at three years of age and many stay all the way through their senior year of high school at which time they are honored on stage with a video of them growing up through their years.



OBITUARIES

Carmelo Bottari

Life member of the Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen Local 3

Carmelo Bottari of Everett died on Dec. 19 at the age of 84.

Carmelo was a life member of the Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen of Local 3 in Charlestown. He worked on the original brickwork laying at Government Center Boston.

Born in Messina Sicily Italia Superiore on April 18, 1935, he was the devoted father of Joanne Roy and her husband, Curtis of Newburyport, Maria Bottari of Revere, Derek Bottari and his wife, Susan of Danvers and Danielle Bottari and her husband, Doug of Winchester; cherished grandfather of Amanda Roy, Ashley Roy and David Moore and dear brother of Maria Gammacurta of Roslindale, Giovanni of Everett, Agatina Rinella of Medford, Nino of Brighton, and the late Stefano and Joseph. He is also survived by loving nieces and nephews.

A Prayer Service will be held from the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Friday, Dec. 27 at 11 a.m. and all are welcome at 10:30 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. A visitation will be held on Thursday, Dec. 26 from 4 to 7 p.m. Interment will be in Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made on Carmelo's name to Donation Processing, The Michael J. Fox Foundation, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014. For guest book, please visit [www.Buonfiglio.com](http://www.Buonfiglio.com)



Bernard Gallant

School bus driver and animal lover

Bernard J. "Butchie" Gallant, 56, a lifelong Chelsea resident, passed away suddenly in his home.

Born and raised in Chelsea, he was a son of the late John and Marie (Wyman) Gallant.

"Butchie" attended local schools and worked as a school bus driver. He is fondly remembered as a fun-loving soul who enjoyed time socializing with friends and family. He loved animals especially his cat "Sammy" and his beloved rottweiler "Dami-an".

In addition to his parents, Butchie was also predeceased by a sister, Betty Duerden. He will forever be the loved brother of Margaret Carpenter of Revere, Nancy Welch of New Hampshire, John Gallant of Chelsea, James Gallant of New York and Ann Gallant of Chelsea and special uncle of Theresa Gallant. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews and extended family members. A memorial service will be held at a later date to be announced. Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Anthony Memorial - Frank A. Welsh & Sons Chelsea. For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFuneral-Home.com](http://www.WelshFuneral-Home.com).

Joseph Brousseau

Retired Chelsea School Custodian and longtime Chelsea Little League Coach

Joseph P. Brousseau passed away unexpectedly in his home on Wednesday, Dec. 18. He was 58 years old.

Born, raised and a lifelong resident of Chelsea, he was the beloved son of Betty M. (Bulman) Brousseau and the late Leo P. Brousseau. Joseph attended local schools and was a graduate of Chelsea High School. He was employed by the Chelsea School Dept. for 34 years. He began working in the school kitchen and delivered meals to local schools. He continued as a school custodian and was medically retired in 2018.

He was active with the Chelsea Little League and was a team coach for many years. He was an active member of the Lynn Elk Lodge #1409.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his sisters: Diane Brosseau of Chelsea and Patty Brousseau of Woodbridge, VA. He was the cherished uncle of Betty Ortiz, Jimmy Ortiz, Amanda Rosario and Brian Konjo and adoring



great-uncle of Anjeli and Brianna Bonilla.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend a memorial gathering at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway Chelsea on Saturday, Dec. 28 from 4 to 6 p.m. A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. in the funeral home. Funeral home is fully handicap accessible, ample parking opposite funeral home. Should friends desire, contributions in his memory may be made to a charity of their choice.

For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit [www.WelshFuneral-Home.com](http://www.WelshFuneral-Home.com).

Leslie Beck, Jr.

Truck driver

Leslie M. Beck, Jr. of Melrose entered into eternal rest on Thursday, Dec. 19 in the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. He was 66 years old.

Born in Chelsea, Leslie worked as a truck driver and served our country in the United States Marine Corps.

The devoted son of the late Leslie M. Beck, Sr. and Bella Cooper, he was the beloved husband of Catherine A. (Barone) Beck, dear and devoted father of Tracy Gagliardi and her husband, Marc of Amesbury, Samantha Beck of Everett and Michael Cowels of Melrose and the loving grandfather of Brianna Vetrano, Michael Vetrano, Nicholas Provost and Juliana Domingos. He was predeceased by seven siblings.



Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Leslie's visiting hours in the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark St. (Corner of Main St.) Everett on Thursday, Jan. 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Leslie's memory to the Wounded Warrior Project, 150 Cambridge Park Drive, Ste. 202, Cambridge, MA 02140 would be sincerely appreciated.

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Alfred Krasowski

Retired Chemical Engineer



Alfred A. "Fritz" Krasowski, 95, passed away in the peaceful surroundings

of his home into the arms of his Lord and Savior on Friday, Dec. 20.

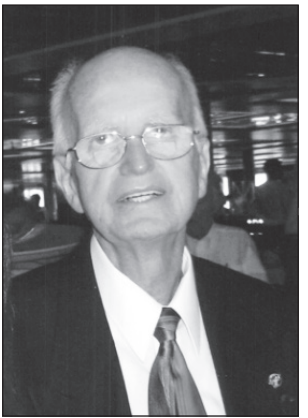
Alfred, or Fritz as he was known to all, was born in Chelsea in 1924, a beloved son of the late Boniface and Mary (Ratajczyk) Krasowski. Fritz and his siblings; the late Irene (Krasowski) McCarthy and Edwin Krasowski were all raised in Chelsea.

As a young man, he enlisted in the US Army and served honorably during World War II. After his discharge, he returned to Chelsea and soon was married to the former Stella (Gulino). He was a resident of Revere for most of his life raising his family of two sons and six daughters. Fritz was employed by American Biltrite in Chelsea as a Chemical Engineer, crafting formulas for product development. He was widowed by the passing of the love of his life, his wife of 50 years, Stella Krasowski in 2000.

In his lifetime, Fritz enjoyed each day with his loved and cherished 22 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was an active member of the New Hope Assembly Church in Saugus and a proud member of the Super Saints, often leading them in song.

After his formal retirement from work, Fritz kept active learning new skills in computers and electronics. He enjoyed keeping up to date with his family on social media.

In addition to his wife, parents and siblings, Fritz was also predeceased by a granddaughter, Kimberly Krasowski Eaton. He was the forever devoted father of Alfred "Fred" Krasowski of Revere and his partner, Kim Parker, Ellen Mastrocola of Reading, Joseph Krasowski and his wife, Kathy of Saugus, Elizabeth DeGenova and her husband, John of Georgetown, Marie DellaPaolera and her husband, Michael of Groveland, Valerie DeGeorge and her husband, Louis of Georgetown, Nancy Gondek and her husband, Alexander of Glastonbury, CT and Judy Burke and her partner, Joel Morehouse of Lowell. He was the cherished grandfather of Amy Cole and her husband, Justin, Stephanie Krasowski and her fiancée, Nick McNeil, Diana, Michael and Christina Mastrocola, Rachel and Michael Thater, Sarah, Emily and Rebecca Krasowski, Me-



lissa and Maria DeGenova, Gina Concesion and her husband, Paul and Julianne DeGenova, Danielle and Daina DellaPaolera, Melanie and Sarah Albanese, Alexander Gondek, Daniel, Jessica and Jason Burke. He is also survived by five adoring great-grandchildren: Madison, Stella, Greyson, Zoe and Eloise.


Visiting hours will be held at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Thursday, Dec. 26, from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. His funeral will begin from the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday at 9 a.m. followed by services in the Woodlawn Chapel, 302 Elm St., at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with Fritz being placed to rest with his beloved wife in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Funeral home is fully handicap accessible, ample parking opposite funeral home.

The family wishes to express heartfelt thanks to Dr. Roger Pasinski and the doctors and nurses of Mass General Hospital and the staff of Care Dimensions Hospice Care.

Should friends desire contributions in his memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN, 38105.

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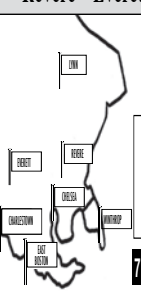
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LEGAL NOTICES




NOTICE OF HEARING  
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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 6:00 p.m.  
Chelsea Senior Center - 10 Riley Way - Chelsea, MA  
With reference to the application of:  
City of Chelsea  
For Special Permits and Variances seeking approval to demolish an existing structure and to construct a five-story, sixteen (16) residential unit building with 2400 square feet of commercial space and eight (8) off-street parking spaces at the premises known as: 440 Broadway  
All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
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LEGAL NOTICE  
  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
Case No. 2019-42  
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Chelsea Senior Center - 10 Riley Way - Chelsea, MA  
With reference to the application of:  
Fatima Melara  
For Special Permit to construct a driveway and curb-cut which is not permitted in the front yard or within five (5) feet from a property line at the premises known as: 9 Garland 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 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
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LEGAL NOTICE  
Re: Interstate Management Company, LLC d/b/a TownePlace Suites by Marriott-Chelsea 30 Eastern Avenue, Chelsea, MA  
Chelsea Licensing Commission, January 9, 2020  
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Chelsea Licensing Commission on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., at the City Council Conference Room, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, to consider a Transfer of All Kinds of Alcohol License, Change of Officers, Change of Ownership Interest and Management/Operating Agreement at Interstate Management Company, LLC d/b/a TownePlace Suites by Marriott-Chelsea, 30 Eastern Avenue, Chelsea, MA. 02150.  
CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION  
Naomi Libran  
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Re: Sonoran Boston Logan, LLC d/b/a DoubleTree by Hilton 201 Everett Avenue, Chelsea, MA  
Chelsea Licensing Commission, January 9, 2020  
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CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION  
Naomi Libran  
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Chelsea Licensing Commission, March 18, 2019  
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Naomi Libran  
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being a city on the brink of financial collapse in the late 1980s, leading to the city being placed in to receivership.

"It was out of these ashes that the Chelsea Collaborative was born with the mission of empowering residents to take control of their future to improve education, housing and jobs, but also to hold city government accountable," said Quiroga. "And guess what, with the help of many, many people of goodwill, many of whom are in this room tonight – it worked."

Quiroga said in 1998 Chelsea was named an "All-America City" — an

award that demonstrated how far the city had moved forward under excellent leadership and through the efforts of outstanding community partners such as the Collaborative.

"The Chelsea Collaborative has been a true champion for social and economic justice, establishing itself as a national model of community empowerment," lauded Quiroga. "From my own experience as a reporter at WCVB Channel 5, I can only say how awed and impressed I had been to see firsthand how the Chelsea Collaborative attacked a broad range of social and economic problems."

He spoke of the energetic leadership and community spirit exhibited by Vega at the helm of the Collaborative. He praised the efforts of the Collaborative in helping residents of a Broadway high-rise during an emergency, holding the landlord accountable and “making sure the tenants had housing and a Thanksgiving dinner.”

Quiroga's glowing remarks in tribute to the Chelsea Collaborative and its leaders such as Executive Director Gladys Vega and Board President Rosalba Medina were the exclamation point to an evening of celebration and commen-

dation for the 31-year-old organization.

"The Chelsea Collaborative is always providing guidance, legal counsel, but most of all insurance that somebody has their back – and in this city, the Collaborative will always have their back."

Quiroga received a standing ovation, sharing the spotlight with Gladys Vega, a woman who has become synonymous with the mission and accomplishments of the Chelsea Collaborative for the past three decades in this city and beyond.



**Martha J. Amaya-Flores**, Collaborative Executive Director  
**Gladys Vega**, and **Ricky Velez**, Chelsea Community Cable Television Technical Director.



Gladys Vega, with guest speaker, Jorge Quiroga, award-winning journalist at WCVB-TV Channel 5.



**Board President Rosalba Medina and Executive Director Gladys Vega.**



From left, Michael Maso, Lisa Coady, Michael Zimman, Board Member Ellen Rovner, Stacy Segall, and Jon Florman.



City Manager Thomas Ambrosino, Keynote Speaker Jorge Quiroga, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Rich Cuthie, and Gerry McCue.



Front row, from left, Councillor-Elect Naomi Zabet, Darlene Devita, and Eden Edwards. Back row, from left, Mark Nadow, Councillor-at-Large Roy Avellaneda, Ron Ponnall, and Michael Albano



Housing Court Chief Justice Timothy Sullivan, Board Member Ellen Rovner, Gala Event Planner Ruth Deras, Executive Director Gladys Vega, Board President Rosalba Medina, Chief Operating Officer Dinanvili Paulino, and Police Chief Brian Kves



State Deputy Secretary Juan Vega and his wife, Carolyn Boumilla-Vega (right) with their daughters, Adrianna Vega and Angelina Vega.



Fire Chief Len Albanese, Executive Director Gladys Vega, Police Chief Brian Kves. and State Rep. Dan Ryan.



Welcoming guests on behalf of the Chelsea Collaborative, Maria Estrella, Sylvia Ramirez, and Membership Coordinator Elizabeth DeJesus.



Shown to the right, Gladys Vega welcomes Metro Credit Union CEO and President Robert Cashman, Vice President Saritin Rizzuto, and Senior Vice President Charlene Bauer to the gala.

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