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## CITY OF CHELSEA HOLDS VETERANS DAY CEREMONY



Honoring Chelsea's war veterans, from left, Congressman Ayanna Pressley, Director of Veterans Services and veteran Francisco Toro, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Attorney and veteran Olivia Anne Walsh, District 6 Councillor and veteran Giovanni Recupero, Chelsea Soldiers Home Superintendent and veteran Eric Johnson, City Council Clerk and veteran Paul Casino, Lewis Latimer Society Co-Director and veteran Ronald Robinson, and State Rep. Dan Ryan. See Page 12 for more photos.

## Larger apartment buildings will bear brunt of FY22 property tax increases

By Adam Swift

Owners of four-plus unit apartment buildings look like they will take the brunt of property tax increases for the coming year.

For owners of condominiums, one-, two-, and three-family homes, however, the news is better, and they can expect to see mostly modest increases if they see any increase in their tax bills at all, according to City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

The increase in the larger apartment buildings, of which there are about 340 in the city, is due to a revaluation of the four-unit

plus buildings requested by the City Council last year, according to Ambrosino. Of those buildings, Ambrosino said less than 30 are owner-occupied, and most are owned by property owners who live outside of Chelsea.

At a presentation before a City Council subcommittee last week, Ambrosino made his initial tax classification presentation. A public hearing is scheduled for Nov. 22, after which Ambrosino is recommending the council take votes on a residential exemption and the minimum residential tax factor

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## Power requests a recount

By Cary Shuman

District 8 candidate Maria Belen Power requested a recount in the Nov. 2 election, and after having the necessary signatures certified, that recount will take place Saturday at 8 a.m. at Chelsea City Hall.

Power finished second in the election, with incumbent District 8 Councillor Calvin Brown winning by four votes on Election Day. The tally apparently now gives Brown a 10-vote lead

heading into the recount.

Power is being represented in the recount process by attorney Kate Cook.

Under the direction of City Clerk Jeannette Cinton White, all ballots cast in the election, including the "blanks", will be recounted by a team of workers.

"I'm very interested in seeing every counted," said Power.

The recount is open to the public.

## Two Community Preservation requests approved by City Council

By Adam Swift

The Chelsea Community Preservation Committee is recommending the City Council approve two grants for grants from the Community Preservation Fund.

At its October meeting, the CPC recommended the approval of \$250,000 for roof and water damage repairs to the Governor Bellingham Cary House, and \$450,000 for open space acquisition at 88 Clinton Street. Both those projects were approved at Monday night's special meeting of the City Council, with Council Presi-

dent speaking in favor of both projects.

In 2016, Chelsea voters voted to adopt the provision of the Community Preservation Act and impose a 1.5 percent surcharge on residential and commercial properties.

"The CPA currently has \$1.2 million in reserves from prior years and has received approximately \$1 million for the 2022 fiscal year," said Jose Iraheta, Chair of the CPC. "Per the Preservation Plan, 25 percent of the fiscal year funds are allocated to both open

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## City Council approves redistricting map

By Adam Swift

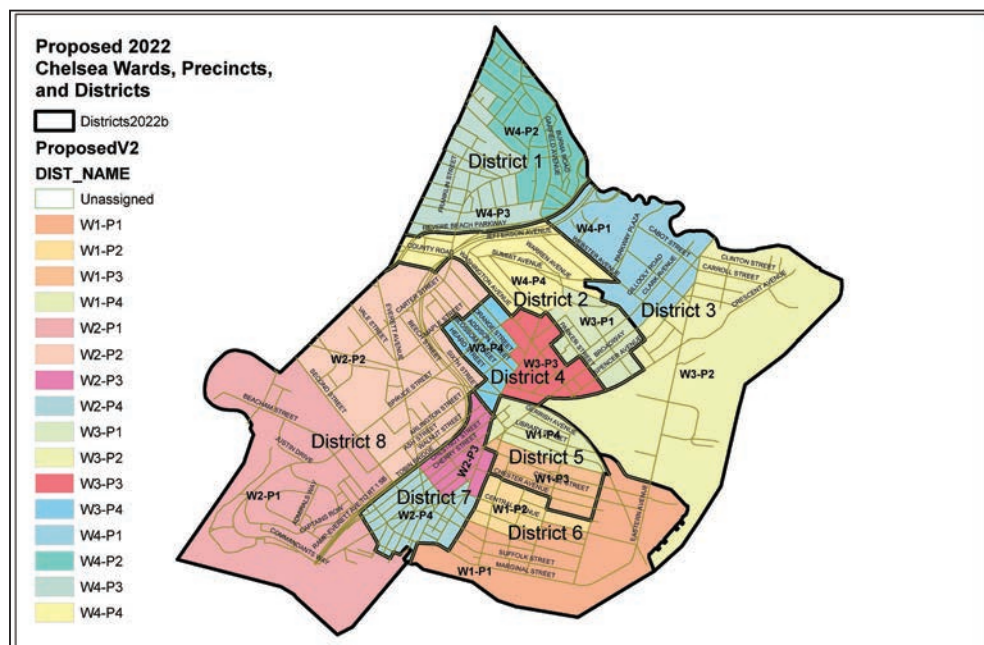
The new redistricting map approved by the City Council brings some big changes to two of the city's eight districts, while leaving the boundaries of six fairly consistent to the current map.

The council voted 7-3-1 to approve an amended version of a new ward, precinct, and district voting map created by the city's planning department. Councillors Judith Garcia, Enio Lopez, and Yamir Garcia voted against the amended map, while Councillor Damali Vidot was not present at the meeting.

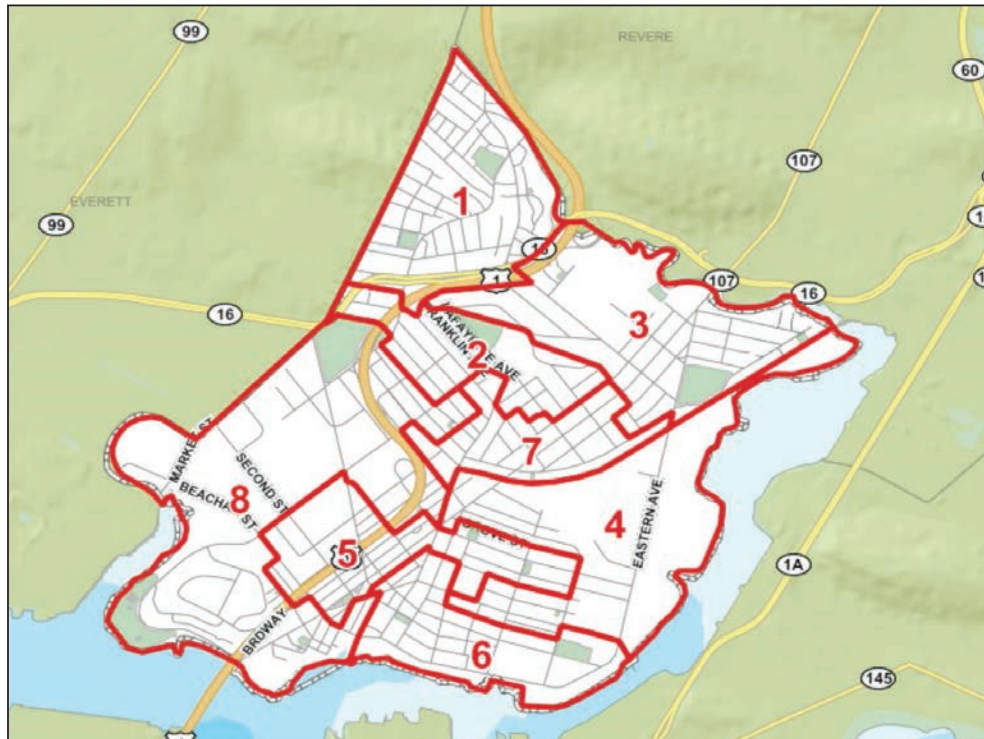
The biggest changes on the map are in the new Districts 5 and 7. The new District 5 combines the Box District with Bellingham Hill, while District 7 is centered on the downtown, stretching from the courthouse to City Hall and Broadway. The new District 7 also separates the historic waterfront district and pairs it with the downtown/Broadway area.

"The rest of the districts really do not change at all; they have maybe constricted a little bit here and

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The new redistricting maps.



## 'PAW-RAID' WALK FOR DOGS AND HUMANS



COURTESY PHOTOS

On Saturday Chelsea held a "Paw-Raid" - a walk for dogs and their human friends through the downtown to the off leash area at Mystic Overlook Park. The event was also a celebration of the completion of the roadway murals on Division Street and Chelsea Square. Since 2019, progressive efforts are transforming Division Street into a Neighborway - that is, an attractive shared street where people walking, on bikes and in vehicles can all safely pass.



**Advertising and News Deadlines for the week of THANKSGIVING will be Friday, Nov. 19 @ 4PM**

**The Independent Newspaper Offices will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>**

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BRUINS

Beat

by Bob Morello

## Bruins on five-day break



If you are a frequent rider on the MBTA, you probably have a Charlie Card. If you are a follower of the Boston Bruins, you may want to add a second Charlie Card to your possessions... namely that of Bruins defenseman, Charlie McAvoy. This young man is making great strides as a franchise defenseman for Boston. In McAvoy's latest game versus the Montreal Canadiens on Sunday, he played a major part in the 5-2 victory for the locals, notching the first two goals of the game, the first two-goal game in his young career. His week continued on the bright side, with the NHL announcing McAvoy as the Second Star of the Week, for the week ending November 14th. A well-deserved honor, as his week's work for the four games played, was a solid seven-point effort, moving him up to the fourth spot in points on the Bs stat sheet.

Already being touted as a Norris Trophy (Top NHL Defenseman) candidate, it's not just because of his impressive start to the season, but rather to the consistency he is showing while doing his job. Head Coach Bruce

Cassidy has been asking McAvoy to work on his contributing more to the offense this season, while he is a solid playmaker, and he appears to be responding to that request so far in the initial 13 games of the season. For the 23-year-old defenseman, McAvoy can feel pretty good to be mentioned as a possible Norris Trophy candidate, since the last Bruin to win the trophy was Zdeno Chara in the 2008-09 season.

With the oddity of the 'NHL Regular Season Schedule,' the Bruins will be without a scheduled game until Saturday. The five-game break between the Montreal and Philadelphia games will serve a positive purpose for Boston's winger Craig Smith, who has been out injured, and is eyeing a possible return to the lineup following the break.

Also out, but not expected back soon, is Trent Frederic who continues to heal from an upper body injury. Game wise the Bruins will return to the ice on Saturday (11/20 at 7:00pm), hosted by the Philadelphia Flyers for a single road game. The Flyers currently hold the fourth spot in the Metropolitan Division, with a 6-3-1 record for their last ten games. The second half of Boston's back-to-back schedule continues with a single home game on Sunday (7:00pm), as they host the Calgary Flames on TD Garden ice. The Flames are presently in third place in the Pacific Division with 4-2-4 record for their last ten games. The schedule craziness continues with a two-day break, after which Boston is back on the road for another single road game in Buffalo (Wednesday at 7:00pm), where they will take on the Sabres who are tied with the Bruins for fifth place in the Atlantic Division. The Sabres have a 4-5-1 record for their last ten games. The Bruins are currently riding a two-game win streak with a 6-4-0 record in their last ten.

## Cary Square bus stop could be on the move again

By Adam Swift

For nearly six month, the city's Traffic and Parking Commission has been in discussions with the public and the MBTA about the relocation of a bus stop at Cary Square in front of 158 Washington Ave.

At last week's meeting, the commission approved a motion asking the MBTA to move the bus stop back to its original location just after Bloomingdale Street on Washington Avenue.

The Traffic Commission had also been considering a request by the MBTA to move its layover location for the 111C bus route from the current bus stop to two parking spots in front of Temple Emmanuel at Tudor Street and Cary Avenue.

However, following a public hearing in which several residents stated that taking up the parking spaces for a layover would still hurt local businesses and residents, public works director Fidel Maltez removed the request for the layover location from his original motion.

"The proposal that (was) on the table was that the bus stop in front of Khelsea's Pizza is going to be removed, however, the MBTA requested that we reinstate the bus stop that is after Bloomingdale

Street," said Maltez. "The reason that they requested that is that they don't want it to be too far for anyone walking."

But moving the bus stop meant that the MBTA would not have a layover location for buses that are waiting to begin the 111C route, Maltez said. The solution that was originally on the docket was, after conferring with Temple Emanuel representatives, to allow the use of two parking spaces near the temple for the layover.

"That is not a Chelsea problem, that is an MBTA problem," said former City Councillor Stanley Troisi. He said the layover should be on the bridge on Washington Avenue, creating less of a parking hassle and offering a closer connection to the Silver Line.

"Taking the spots away on Cary Avenue is not really helping, and losing the spot on Bloomingdale is really no gain," said Troisi.

Maltez said the initiative was taken to move the bus stop at 158 Washington Ave. after getting a number of complaints about buses idling on Cary Avenue and about buses pulling up for passengers while another bus was idling.

"The rider had to mount

that bus on the street; there were a lot of complaints, and this has been going on for four or five months," said Maltez. "I can assure everyone that the bus stop in front of Khelsea's Pizza is going away. The MBTA agreed, but they strongly suggested we create a long-term solution."

Maltez said there were discussions about moving the layover location to the Washington Avenue bridge, but said it could create service gaps.

After hearing from Troisi and several other residents, Maltez offered the motion to move the bus stop and not include any language about a layover location for buses.

"I make the recommendation to stand for the residents who are here tonight and see what happens," he said. "This has been going on for close to six months now and it is something that has caused a lot of aggravation to the residents. "Essentially, this returns the conditions to how they were (before the bus stop was in front of Khelsea's Pizza)."

The Traffic and Parking Commission recommendation will next go before the City Council.

Maltez said because of the schedule, any changes are unlikely to occur before January.

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which shifts a greater tax burden onto commercial and industrial properties.

"In both cases, the choice is entirely yours," Ambrosino told the council. "But this city has adopted the 175 percent shift for most of the last generation, and if you did something different than that, you would really increase the residential property tax because all of the previous years have been based on this 175 percent shift, and that's what I am recommending again."

In addition, Ambrosino said he is recommending the 35 percent residential exemption again this year.

The residential exemption reduces the tax bill by excluding a portion of the residential property value from taxation.

"I would again argue that you should continue the 35 percent residential exemption, which is the maximum amount allowed by law," said Ambrosino. "You slowly worked your way up, but during the last year during Covid, you gave the best break you can and now we should stick to that."

Ambrosino noted that the city made a commitment to take a closer look at the valuations of four-plus unit apartment

buildings, and brought in JF Ryan Associates as a consultant to take a closer look at those valuations.

"We felt that might be a place where our assessments might not be as accurate as they are for condos, ones, twos, and threes," said Ambrosino. "We have a high level of confidence in our values there, not so much on the four-plus."

The valuations of all properties, outside the four-plus apartment buildings, are roughly equal this year, Ambrosino. However, the valuations of the four-plus buildings jumped by an average of

about 30 percent, compared to the single-digit increases across all other categories.

That revaluation means that over \$284 million in value was added with those properties, the city manager said.

"I do expect that we will get appeals and requests for abatements from a lot of these owners, the majority of which are non-owner occupied," Ambrosino said.

With the recommended shift in the tax rate where commercial and industrial properties would pay 1.75 times what they would pay if there was a single tax

rate, Ambrosino estimated the residential tax rate for Fiscal Year 2022 would be \$13.23 per \$1,000 of valuation for residential taxpayers, and \$25.68 for commercial taxpayers.

"Both of these rates are down from last year," Ambrosino said. "Condos, one-, two-, and three-families taxes are staying the same on average, or even going down a little bit. The brunt of the increase in the tax levy is going to be picked up by owners of four-plus unit apartments."

John Ryan of JF Ryan Associates said there are currently 248 properties

in the city with four to eight units with a median assessment of \$1 million, and 88 properties with more than eight units with a median assessment of \$3.47 million.

"I will say that the overwhelming majority of these 340-odd parcels that we looked at are not owner occupied," said Ambrosino. "I think we have determined that there are about 28 that are owner occupied, and to the extent that they are, I would suggest that probably the majority of them are four units, and these people are eligible for our homeowner's assistance program."

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there, but overall, if you look at the original map, six of the districts pretty much stay the same," said Council President Roy Avellaneda.

The redistricting process takes place every 10 years using data from the U.S. Census to create equitable voting districts of approximately the same size.

"I think this is a very sensitive topic; it only happens every 10 years and we're talking about redrawing lines and changing a method of doing things," said Garcia on Monday night. "As voters and as residents, we tend to be creatures of habit, and today, it is a very important decision we have to make that is going to impact voters for years to come."

Garcia said it is difficult to consider the multiple factors that go into the redistricting process, and thanked Karl Allen of the planning department for drawing up new maps that remained compact and balanced.

"I am not a fan of the amended proposal in front of us, because when I look at, for example, District 8, and I look at the streets

that are there, I feel like we are diluting the voices of People of Color," said Garcia. "I understand the intentionality of uniting the waterfront with the downtown, but the character of these districts and areas is very different."

Avellaneda said the new map helps achieve the goal of putting together precincts, wards, and districts centered on neighborhoods and not census data.

Originally, Avellaneda said, the redistricting committee was going to accept the adoption of a map drawn up by the state, but further discussions revealed that the map would create hardships for voters who lived on the other side of Rte. 16 and would have to vote at St. Rose.

"So we rejected the map on that basis and then asked Karl Allen to produce a couple versions of a map, and he did two versions," said Avellaneda.

One of those maps was then used to take a closer look at creating new lines based on neighborhoods.

"We tried to keep the wards and districts as close to the original so we were not throwing too many people off," said Avella-

neda. "The goal from the beginning was to try to create districts around the neighborhoods. Basically ... we identified the 16 neighborhoods of the city and then created wards and districts out of that."

As the maps were being put together, Avellaneda said it became apparent that the Box District, by its sheer numbers, would become part of its own district when paired with Bellingham Hill.

"As a result, these are the new lines that will be put in place for the 2023 (municipal) election," said Avellaneda.

He said potential candidates for city election have two years to adjust to the new lines. As for voters, the new boundaries will be in place for the 2022 state primary and general elections.

"I think that the map that was proposed by Councillor Avellaneda makes the most sense rather than the one that was proposed by the committee," said District 1 Councillor Todd Taylor. "It keeps some of the natural neighborhoods together, and it also diversifies some of the new districts."

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space/recreation and historic preservation, while 40 percent is allocated to affordable housing. The remaining 10 percent is utilized as administrative and undesignated funds."

The Governor Cary Bellingham House project will help address roof issues at the building, which have caused water to enter the building and damage two windows, historic plaster of ceilings and walls, and wooden flooring.

"We are a registered nonprofit organization that has been a part of the community since 1914," said Bellingham Cary House board member Karen MacInnes. "We have no paid staff and a volunteer board. Members and associate members provide support by membership dues and donations; other than a ticketed fundraising event, visitors to the house are welcomed for free."

The city is looking for \$450,000 in CPA funds to purchase the approximately 27,000 square foot parcel at 88 Clinton St. to use as open space.

"Overlooking Mill Creek, a cherished natural resource, the parcel is situated within a densely developed Environmental Justice neighborhood with a scarcity of parks and playgrounds, especially waterfront open space," stated Alex Train, the city's Housing and Community Development Director. "Historic land use patterns, coupled with development activity, have contributed to significant water quality impairments in Mill Creek. Erosion, untreated storm water runoff, and polluted sites continue to degrade the natural salt marsh habitat, while land use patterns inhibit public access to this environmental asset."

The city, working in

collaboration with the Mystic River Watershed Association and GreenRoots, has embarked on key restoration activities and open space planning initiatives, such as the proposed acquisition of 88 Clinton St.

Once the parcel is acquired, Train said the city will enact a conservation restriction to preserve the site as open space in perpetuity. The city will also work with community organizations and neighborhood residents to oversee the design and development of a passive park at the location, interspersed with green infrastructure.

"Upon implementation, the project will offer a serene refuge where members of the public can relax, find respite from extreme heat, and enjoy passive recreation, against the backdrop of an unobstructed view of Mill Creek," Train stated.

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APPRECIATION

# Chelsea mourns the loss of lifelong resident Charles F. Lanzillo Sr.

By Cary Shuman

Chelsea residents fondly remembered Charles F. “Honey” Lanzillo Sr. during a memorial observance at the Welsh Funeral Home and a Funeral Mass at the Saint Rose Church last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Lanzillo, a member of the Greatest Generation who served his country during World War II and received military honors, died on Saturday, Nov. 6. He was 101.

Mr. Lanzillo and his wife, Dorothy B. (Beaulieu) Lanzillo, lived in the long-time Lanzillo home on Chester Avenue and had three children, Dr. Charles F. Lanzillo Jr., Susan Lanzillo DeSantis, and Joan Lanzillo Hahesy.

Mr. Lanzillo was a member of the Chelsea High School Class of 1939, a close-knit group that became known as the ‘39ers. Mr. Lanzillo helped plan the reunions where he would enjoy reminiscing about Chelsea High with such classmates as Eliz-

abeth McBride, Bill Sartorelli, Edith Sartorelli, William “Bucky” Mugford, Frank Charak and David Sherman. Mr. Lanzillo treasured those get-togethers and the lifelong friendships they shared.

Mr. Lanzillo was a popular employee of The Chelsea Record, then a daily newspaper published five days a week. Very knowledgeable about his craft, Mr. Lanzillo worked in the composing room and was instrumental in getting the newspaper to press each day. He retired from The Chelsea Record in 1981.

At the Funeral Mass at St. Rose Church, Dr. Charles F. Lanzillo Jr. delivered the eulogy. “Thank you all for coming,” said Dr. Lanzillo.

He noted the presence in the church of his sisters Susan and Joan, who he said were very close to their father. “And especially Susan, who unselfishly and lovingly immersed herself in the care of dad in his final days.”

Dr. Lanzillo said, “In his

100 years, I never saw him get angry or curse in any way. I never saw him shirk his responsibilities. He always put his family first.”

Dr. Lanzillo said his father was “loyal to his family, loyal to his country, loyal to his jobs, and loyal to this city. We don’t make many people like this anymore.

“And to me, that is what is so sad about his passing,” continued Dr. Lanzillo. “My sisters and I are losing a loving father who can never be replaced. But our country is losing the kind of person that made this country safe and great. I mourn for my loss, I mourn for my sisters’ loss, and I mourn for our country’s loss.”

Dr. Lanzillo delivered a shining final tribute to his beloved dad. The remarks were brief but everyone who knew his father could appreciate and understand the message: Charles F. Lanzillo Sr. was a great person, a man who fought for his country, an industrious worker, a terrific role model, and a tremendous father.

## State grant to help pay for Quigley Park upgrades

By Adam Swift

A state grant could pay for up to \$400,000 of the cost of the renovation of Quigley Park on Essex Street.

Monday night, the City Council approved an appropriation setting aside the full cost of the project, estimated at \$750,000, in anticipation of the reimbursement through the Parklands Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant.

According to City Manager Thomas Ambrosino, the City Council has appropriated \$350,000 through the Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Improvement Program, leaving a balance of \$400,000 for the project which is expected to be reimbursed by the state.

“For this grant, the proposed renovations of Quigley Park include replacement of the playground’s rubber surfacing, introduction of new

playground equipment, installation of a new water feature and splash pad, refurbishment of the play fields, installation of new site furniture and lighting and reconstruction of all site utilities,” stated Ambrosino. “Once completed, the modernized playground will better serve our city’s youth, mitigate heat and poor air quality and increase quality of life for residents, a goal highlighted in the city’s 2017-2024 Open Space and Recreation Plan.”

The city expects to complete its design of the park improvements by the end of June next year. The design process will include coordination with park users, neighborhood residents, and other stakeholders, Ambrosino said.

“Already, an initial public meeting has been convened, as a part of the PARC grant application process,” stated the city manager. “We anticipate holding two additional

public meetings to gather resident input on design features and park amenities during the winter and spring of 2022.”

The city is aiming to have construction of the park completed by June 30, 2023.

PARC grants pay 70 percent of the costs of park improvements, up to a maximum state share of \$400,000. The PARC grant is a reimbursement grant, meaning the city is required to appropriate the full project cost and the request reimbursement from the state.

“In the event that this park ultimately costs more than the estimate, which is not uncommon, I may return to the Council for a further appropriation,” stated Ambrosino. “Conversely, if there are any remaining funds from this project, I am requisition authority to utilize them on future PARC funded projects.”

## Chelsea ranks among top school districts for gender parity in K-12 education

A study released last week by the Rennie Center for Education Research & Policy and the Women’s Power Gap Initiative of the Eos Foundation reveals never-before-seen data on racial and gender inequities in Massachusetts education leadership. The report, The Power Gap in Massachusetts K-12 Education, highlights a multitude of barriers that keep women and people of color from the superintendency. Among the 180 school districts analyzed, Chelsea was found among the top ten who are leading the way for gender parity in the superintendency and other leadership positions.

However, findings show that 80% of the Commonwealth’s largest 180 school districts have never had a superintendent of color. And, despite the fact that young people of color make up nearly half of the Commonwealth’s student body, statewide only 5% of superintendents are people of color.

Meanwhile, although women comprise 76% of the Commonwealth’s teaching force and—as a whole—out-qualify men when it comes to credentialing and experience, they only hold 39% of superintendencies. Of the 180 largest districts, 31 have never had a female superintendent.

“White-dominant and patriarchal norms are deeply ingrained in ideas of leadership, even in education in Massachusetts. We found that men are often chosen to become superintendents based on personal attributes, while women are often hired for professional qualifications. Many female leaders we spoke with, especially women of color, expressed needing to work twice as hard and

be twice as qualified to be considered for leadership positions,” said Annelise Eaton, the Rennie Center’s Research Director and coauthor of the report. Researchers also detail the career paths of prospective superintendents, finding that men progress to leadership positions faster and at a much higher rate than women.

“After years of Women’s Power Gap research, we are shocked at the results unveiled in this report, exposing a persistent glass ceiling that women are facing in Massachusetts K-12 education leadership,” said Andrea Silbert, President of the Eos Foundation. “We see that women hold the majority (59%) of superintendent licenses but are still drastically underrepresented compared to their male peers. They want the job, they are getting the licenses, but why can’t they make it to the top? Now is the time to change the system and diversify Massachusetts education leadership. We need to push for a more equitable future and break the male-dominant landscape we are seeing.”

According to the report, people of color are severely underrepresented at every level of public education in Massachusetts. Educators of color report that racism and discrimination in the workplace make it difficult to progress through into leadership in the education system.

The report includes recommendations to help diversify education leadership like investing in diversity, equity, and inclusion training for school committee members who hire superintendents, creating more transparent systems for assessing

leadership, and building pathways to the superintendency for elementary school principals.

The Power Gap in Massachusetts K-12 Education was released at a virtual event this morning that featured remarks from current and former superintendents as well as researchers.

The Rennie Center for Education Research & Policy’s mission is to improve public education through well-informed decision-making based on deep knowledge and evidence of effective policymaking and practice. As Massachusetts’ preeminent voice in public education reform, we create open spaces for educators and policymakers to consider evidence, discuss cutting-edge issues, and develop new approaches to advance student learning and achievement. Through our staunch commitment to independent, non-partisan research and constructive conversations, we work to promote an education system that provides every child with the opportunity to be successful in school and in life. For more information, please visit [www.renniecenter.org](http://www.renniecenter.org).

About the Women’s Power Gap Initiative of the Eos Foundation: The Women’s Power Gap Initiative aims to dramatically increase the number of women from diverse backgrounds among CEO and C-suite leaders nationally. We conduct and commission actionable research on prominent sectors of the economy and measure the extent of the power and pay gaps at the company or institutional level to highlight those making fast progress, and those falling behind.

## TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

The Chelsea Firefighters are holding their annual Toys for Tots drive again this year. The last day to drop off toys is Wednesday December 15.

The main collection site is Central Station between 8 AM- 8 PM. The toys can be placed in the Toys for Tots box in the watch room. We will be storing any overflow at the Prativille Station. Toys can also be dropped off at Mill HillFire Station.

## COVID-19 VACCINATION UPDATE AT NEW HEALTH

NEW Health is offering COVID-19 booster shots. Eligible individuals must have 2 doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, with the second dose occurring at least 6 months prior. For the Johnson & Johnson booster, individuals must have received that vaccine at least two months prior.

Eligible individuals for the booster shot include people who are 65 and older or people from 18-64 with any of the following underlying medical conditions: cancer (current active cancer); cerebrovascular diseases like stroke, carotid artery disease; chronic kidney, liver, or heart disease; lung diseases like COPD, emphysema, asthma, pulmonary fibrosis; diabetes; high blood pressure; overweight (BMI ≥25); pregnancy and recent pregnancy; smoking (current and former); down syndrome; neurologic conditions, including dementia, sickle cell disease; substance use disorders; cystic fibrosis; thalassemia; or serious mental health disorders.

People who are at increased risk of COVID due to their occupation are eligible for the booster as well. The occupations include first responders; healthcare workers; congregate care staff; education staff; and workers in the fields of food and agriculture, manufacturing, corrections, US Postal Service, public transit, and grocery stores.

The Pfizer vaccine is also being offered in a smaller dose to children

ages 5-11. This is offered as a 2-shot series, 21 days apart, to existing NEW Health patients. The Health Center will expand options for pediatric vaccinations soon.

Booster shot appointments are available at the health center. First and second doses of the vaccine are also available for anyone 12 and older. Appointments must be scheduled over the phone by calling (857)238-1100. Anyone who is receiving a booster vaccination must bring their CDC vaccine card. Information regarding vaccinations is ongoing, please go to [NEUHealth.org](http://NEUHealth.org) for the most up to date news.

## COMMUNITY FRIDGE OPENS IN CHARLESTOWN

NEWHealth’s Food Insecurity Program has opened a Community Fridge at their site in Charlestown on 15 Tufts St. The fridge is open 24/7 to the public and anyone can take what they need.

The Food Insecurity Program is looking for food donations to stock the fridge. Donations of fresh fruits and vegetables and commercially packaged food (refrigerated or frozen) are needed. Prepared meals, foods in poor condition, or expired foods are not accepted.

Volunteers are needed to help maintain the fridge on weekends and holidays when the Health Center is closed. Please visit <https://newhealthcenter.org/community-fridge/> for more information.

For any questions regarding the Community Fridge or NEW Health’s Food Insecurity Program, please reach out to Danny Coakley (Email: [dfcoakley@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:dfcoakley@mgh.harvard.edu) Phone: 617-643-8105).

## LUIS MENA PARTICIPATES IN EMERSON STAGE PRODUCTION

Students participated in Emerson Stage’s production of This Girl Laughs, This Girl Cries, This Girl Does Nothing in conjunction with their 2021-2022 season. The show is written by Finegan Kruckemeyer and directed by

Pascale Florestal.

Three young sisters are left in a forest by their woodcutter father and forced to find their own way in the world. From this fairytale beginning, three resolutions are made—one sister walks one way to find purpose, one the other to find adventure, and the third stays right where she is to create a home.

The production took place October 7-9 and 16 at the Robert J. Orchard Stage in the Paramount Center in Boston, MA.

Luis Mena of Chelsea, Massachusetts, 02150 is majoring in Stage and Production Mngmnt and is a member of the Class of 2024.

Emerson Stage is the producing organization within the Emerson College Department of Performing Arts. The next generation of actors, designers, stage managers, technicians, administrators, and educators work alongside distinguished faculty, professional staff, and guest artists to bring skills learned in the classroom to vibrant life on stage.

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## PROGRESSIVES? NO -- THEY ARE REGRESSIVES

There are a lot of reasons why the Democrats and President Joe Biden have plummeted in the polls and then absorbed a huge defeat across the country in the recent election.

As often is the case in politics, the party in charge gets the blame even if they arise from circumstances beyond its control.

Almost all of the issues that have been troubling Americans in the past few months are no fault of Biden and the Democrats. The ongoing pandemic, supply-chain snafus, labor shortages, inflation worries, weather-related crises, and soaring energy prices all either were inherited by Biden or are the result of unforeseen circumstances.

The Biden administration could have done better with the withdrawal from Afghanistan, but that too, was a circumstance he inherited and that spiraled out of control.

However, there is one aspect of the Biden Presidency and the Democratic control of Congress that is within their control. And that is their ability to get things done.

On August 10, a bipartisan vote of the Senate approved the \$1 trillion infrastructure bill. However, the bill sat for months in the House because of the efforts of a willful group of Democratic House members who held it hostage to their demands for the \$3.5 trillion Build Back Better legislation.

We would note that we fully have supported every aspect of the Build Back Better Plan, including the Green New Deal which we endorsed from the outset when it first was introduced by Senator Ed Markey and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio Cortez in January of 2019.

In fact, we would support an even-larger bill in order to bring America into the 21st century.

However, the reality is that there are Democratic members of Congress who do not agree with all of the proposals in the Build Back Better Plan and who have been saying so for months.

Yet the so-called Progressives in the House refused to accept this reality. Democrats promised the voters that if they were put in charge, they’d get things done -- but the intransigence of the so-called Progressives served not only to undermine the Biden administration and Democrats in general, but also sank their own cause as well.

For all of their posturing and demand-making, they have nothing -- nada -- zero -- to show for their efforts.

As we have said many times in this column, politics is the art of compromise. Or, as Kenny Rogers put it, “You’ve got to know when to hold ‘em, Know when to fold ‘em.”

The Progressives’ hubris served as a gift to the Republicans.

Instead of Progressing the country forward, their political gamesmanship has undermined Americans’ faith in the democratic process and Regressed us back to the era before 2020.

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# Forum

GUEST OP-ED

## The Haiti kidnapped missionaries, consider the costs of such trips

By Glenn Mollette

The missionaries consisting of sixteen Americans and one Canadian kidnapped by the Haitian “400 Mawozo” gang October 16, is extremely scary. The gang has threatened to kill the humanitarian Christians if a million dollar per person ransom is not fulfilled. The group consists of men, women, children and an eight-month-old baby.

These missionaries have sacrificed their time and paid their own way to go to the poorest place in the Western hemisphere to try to spread God’s love and save some souls. In turn, the missionaries are experiencing a nightmare like they’ve never imagined. They’re imprisoned and being threatened with a bullet in the head.

Most of us will never get over seeing journalists being beheaded and tortured in Syria and Iraq by the barbaric Islamic extremist group called ISIL. Burning people alive and beheading others were too graphic and gruesome to ever be forgotten.

Why do journalists, missionaries and humanitarian aid workers go to

such places to risk kidnapping, rape, torture and unimaginable deaths? There is always the belief that “it will not happen to me.” Some might view such a trip as a vacation.

Years ago, I traveled to a third world country on a “missionary trip” with others thinking it would be a nice break. I’ve never worked so hard in my life.

Sadly, the 17 missionaries in Haiti are undergoing a cruel experience that may end with the cost of their very lives. What are they thinking now? What is going through the minds of the little children who traveled to a world to help others and spread God’s love?

Haiti has been the site of years of humanitarian efforts. The United States and other countries have given billions of dollars to help Haiti. Sadly, hurricanes, political unrest, underdevelopment and extreme poverty have all made for a sad scenario.

How much money would the world have to give to Haiti to make life better for this nation? This is a question no one can answer because usually aid is a short-term solution. We spent a trillion

dollars in Afghanistan and they aren’t any better off today.

Good missionary people went to Haiti with good hearts for helping others in the name of God’s love. They went to share a message they hoped would bring about change and better lives. They may now lose their lives.

Christians point to Jesus as the model for such missionary efforts. He came preaching and teaching in an effort to demonstrate and spread God’s love and it cost him plenty – his life, executed in public on a cross.

There are some Christians today who, like Jesus, are willing to risk their lives for the sake of others. Did these men and women literally go to Haiti taking their children with them truly believe they could be killed? Would they purposefully do this to their children? Who convinced these people that such a trip with small children was a good idea?

My goal here is to simply say, think about such trips to places like Haiti. Afghanistan, Iraq, Northern Nigeria and numerous

others countries are not vacation spots. Foreign travel may sound exotic and adventurous but consider the possible cost.

Many missionaries and Christian workers have paid the ultimate price in order to spread the gospel of Christ. Only eternity will reveal what their selfless sacrifice has meant to those whose lives they impacted.

By chance, if you decide such an international trip is not for you, don’t feel bad. Consider helping in an American inner city, Appalachia or maybe your own neighborhood. Service at home is needed across America.

Let’s pray for the safety of these missionaries and for those negotiating their release. May God help them and all who may consider such endeavors.

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## LETTER to the Editor

dedication, and time spent sharing the message of my campaign with your friends and family. Thank you!

**Calvin T. Brown**  
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**City Councilor**

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**To the Editor:**

Thank you for trusting me once again to represent you on School Committee! Serving you and our students these past two years has been a great honor, one only overshadowed by the joy of becoming a dad last July. I look forward to the great work we will accomplish in the next two years, both to continue our COVID-19 recovery efforts and to make our district better than it was prior to the pandemic.

After much advocacy for the funding our children deserve and were promised, we finally received the first major increase in state school funding this year. In addition, we received over \$32.5 million in one-time funds from the federal government. While most of these funds have gone to supporting additional needs brought on by the pandemic, we have also planned out increases in staff that will be beneficial for students long term. More teachers and social workers will mean a better learning environment for our students and better supports for those who are struggling with mental health and socioemotional issues. As we continue

to see funding increases over the next few years, I expect further investments in these areas.

I look forward to continue engaging with you to improve our schools, but also to think more broadly about what our students need. This pandemic has demonstrated that housing justice, racial justice, and climate justice are all interconnected, and those all impact our students. In order for our students to take advantage of the great learning environment that Chelsea Public Schools is creating, we have to continue fighting for them and their families to have a just and equitable society. However you are fighting for that better future, I encourage you to keep going, and to reach out if there is anything I can do to support it. And as always, please don’t hesitate to reach out at [jimenezr@chelseaschools.com](mailto:jimenezr@chelseaschools.com) if you have any questions or things you would like to see in our schools. Thank you!

Vecinos de Chelsea,

Muchas gracias por confiar en mi como su representante al Comité Escolar! Servirle estos dos años ha sido un gran honor, insuperable excepto por la alegría de convertirme en padre en julio del año pasado. Estoy preparado para el gran trabajo que lograremos el próximo término, continuando nuestra recuperación de la pandemia y luchando por escuelas mejores que antes de la pandemia.

Este año por fin recibimos el primer aumento en fondos estatales para

nuestras escuelas, luego de varios años luchando por fondos necesarios y que habían sido prometidos. También recibimos sobre \$32.5 millones de fondos federales. La mayoría de este dinero ha ido a apoyar necesidades creadas por la pandemia, pero también hemos podido añadir plazas de maestros y trabajadores sociales, que van a ayudarnos a crear un mejor sistema de aprendizaje y a apoyar a nuestros estudiantes con su salud mental y necesidades socioemocionales. Espero que según veamos más aumentos de fondos que continuaremos invirtiendo en estas áreas.

Juntos vamos a seguir mejorando nuestras escuelas, pero quiero que también pensemos más ampliamente sobre que necesitan nuestros estudiantes. La pandemia ha demostrado que la justicia de vivienda, justicia racial, y justicia ambiental están interconectadas, y todas afectan a nuestros estudiantes. Para que ellos puedan aprovechar la enseñanza que proveemos, tenemos que también luchar por una sociedad justa y equitativa para ellos y sus familias. De cualquier manera que usted esté luchando por ese futuro mejor, por favor siga haciéndolo, y déjeme saber como puedo apoyar sus esfuerzos. Y como siempre, por favor déjeme saber a [jimenezr@chelseaschool.com](mailto:jimenezr@chelseaschool.com) cualquier pregunta o sugerencia que tenga sobre nuestras escuelas. Muchas gracias!

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# Seven tips for readying your outdoor power equipment for winter storage

After your lawn gets its last cut before winter, it will be time to put away spring and summer outdoor power equipment, like lawn mowers, leaf blowers, and trimmers. What’s next? Snow throwers, generators and other small engine equipment need to be readied for winter use. How and when you prepare your equipment for seasonal changes can save you time and money later, says the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI).

With record-breaking sales of outdoor power equipment, homeowners are spending more time during the COVID-19 pandemic working or renovating their family yards. This means more people are using outdoor power equipment, and OPEI reminds everyone the importance of proper outdoor power equipment

storage, maintenance and safe handling.

“During this very challenging pandemic, we’ve learned our outdoor spaces are more important than ever,” says Kris Kiser, President and CEO of OPEI and the TurfMutt Foundation, which encourages outdoor learning experiences, stewardship of our green spaces, and care for all living landscapes. “Our yards, parks and schoolyards are our safe space for connecting with friends and family, acting as outdoor classrooms and offices. Green space also contributes to the health and wellbeing of people, pets and wildlife, and having the right outdoor power equipment to take care of it is key. But preparation is everything -- understanding how to store equipment and get it serviced, how to operate it safely, and how

to ready your space to use that equipment.”

He adds, “Always follow your manufacturer’s guidelines, and remember to keep kids and dogs away from operating equipment at all times.”

Here are a few tips from OPEI to ensure your lawn mower and other spring equipment will be available for use when warmer temperatures return, and snow throwers and other winter equipment will be ready for use when the snow falls.

1. Review owner’s manuals. Re-familiarize yourself with how to handle equipment safely. Lost manuals can be found online. Save a copy on your computer if possible, so it can be consulted when needed. Be familiar with your equipment, and all its features, including how to turn it off quickly and safely.

2. Service all equipment. Before storing spring and summer equipment, clean and service it or take it to a small engine repair shop. Drain and change engine oil and safely dispose the old oil. Service the air filter, and do other maintenance as directed by the owner’s manual. Check winter equipment and see if any maintenance and repairs are required.

3. Handle fuel properly. Unused fuel left in gas tanks over the winter can go stale and even damage equipment. Before storing equipment, add fuel stabilizer to the gas tank, then run the equipment to distribute it. Turn the engine off, allow the machine to cool, then restart and run until the gas tank is empty. For winter equipment, buy the recommended type of fuel no more than 30 days before use. Use fuel

with no more than 10% ethanol in outdoor power equipment. Use a fuel stabilizer if recommended by the manufacturer. Get more information on safe fueling for outdoor power equipment at LookBeforeYouPump.com.

4. Charge the battery. Remove and fully charge batteries before storing. Don’t store batteries on metal shelves or allow them to touch metal objects. Store them on a plastic or wood shelf in a climate-controlled structure.

5. Shelter equipment from winter weather. Store spring and summer equipment in a clean and dry place such as a garage, barn or shed. Winter equipment should be kept away from the elements, but be easily available for use.

6. Prepare, prepare, prepare. Make space in the

garage or basement before the weather changes, so there is room to store larger yard items. Clean up the yard of sticks, debris, dog and kid’s toys and other items that can damage or destroy equipment. Clear the paths used regularly in your yard, especially during the winter when snow can “hide” things.

7. Have the right weather appropriate extension cord for your generator. Keep heavy duty weather proof extension cords on hand to use with it. Ensure the length of the cord is necessary to operate the generator a safe distance from the house or building. Never operate a generator indoors, in a garage, breezeway or under an open window.

The following article was submitted by Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI)

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### EASTIE VOTERS SAY NO TO SUBSTATION

EAST BOSTON - Should Eversource place an electric substation in East Eagle Square along the Chelsea Creek, near homes, parks, playgrounds, jet fuel storage, and in a flood risk area?

During Boston Municipal Election a non-binding ballot question was posed to voters here and across the city asking that very question and an overwhelming thought Eversource should not build a substation in Eastie and seek a nearby alternative location such as non-residential Massport land at Logan Airport.

During the election 5,755 Eastie voters voted “NO” on Question 2 with only 600 voting “YES”. A NO vote meant that the voter opposed building the substation at the proposed East Eagle Square location and favored locating the facility at a secure location such as Logan Airport.

Citywide 101,953 voters voted “NO” on the ballot question with only 19,797 voting “YES”. At 101,953 NO votes against the substation received the largest single vote total for any ballot measure or candidate in Boston over the last 17 municipal elections according to the City of Boston Election Department records.

“This is a decisive win for East Boston residents and brings us a big step closer to locating this substation at a safe alternative location”, said Heather O’Brien, No on Question 2 campaign leader and Eastie resident.

According to state law, a non-binding public option question may be placed on the ballot for a regular municipal election by vote of the City Council with the approval of the mayor. The question was sponsored by 10 Eastie residents and supported by Councilor Lydia Edwards, local activists and Rep. Adrian Madaro. Both the Council and Acting Mayor Kim Janey approved the measure ahead of the election.

Historically, a non-binding ballot question provides information to elected officials and the public of voter sentiment on a particular issue and it seems most Bostonians are on Eastie’s side when it comes to this particular issue.

Eastie residents were

promised an athletic field and natural flood protection buffer on the Condor Street property, which was City land until Eversource was given the prime waterfront site in a hastily arranged land swap with the City to build the new Bremen Street Branch Library. Eversource owned the land the current library sits on but was given city land on the Chelsea Creek so the library could be built.

Prior to the land swap, the City’s Inspectional Services Department granted Eversource a complete waiver on basic City review of the project. The City gave Eversource this rarely-given blanket waiver without any notice to neighbors or opportunity for comment.

“Practical alternative sites exist for this substation, such as on secure Massport land at Logan Airport.” added O’Brien. “We trust the new Mayor of Boston will use all her available powers to resolve this serious issue.”

Boston Mayor-elect Michelle Wu has consistently stated her opposition to the substation as a City Councilor, appearing with Councilor Edwards at events and rallies in Eastie against the facility at its proposed location. Wu also signed the joint letter with other elected leaders in December 2020.

Despite widespread community opposition as well as opposition from over a dozen Massachusetts elected officials the state’s Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) unanimously approved Eversource’s highly controversial plan to build a new substation back in February.

Despite state Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Kathleen Theoharides saying at Monday’s hearing that the substation would be placed in a “heavily, heavily industrialized area within an environmental justice community that has historically suffered disproportionate environmental harms and a heavy burden of infrastructure” she still voted in favor of Eversource’s plans as an EFSB board member.

Elected officials led by US Senators Edward Markey and Elizabeth Warren, Councilor Lydia Edwards, State Representative Adrian Madaro and Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley went on record in a joint letter affirming their support of East Boston res-

idents and opposition to the proposed substation location.

The substation is the subject of numerous pending appeals and legal challenges at the state level from Eastie residents and organizations.

The environmental justice organization GreenRoots then filed suit challenging the Board approval in the state’s Supreme Judicial Court. Attorney General Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healy declined to defend the state Siting Board approval, and the Siting Board has been compelled to seek outside legal counsel to defend their decision.

The project is also the subject of parallel appeals and legal challenges in Suffolk County Superior Court and with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

### MCDONALD’S OWNER WINS AWARD

LYNN - Her years of dedication to customers and staff is now being celebrated. Claudia Galdamez, the General Manager of McDonald’s in Lynn, Massachusetts, is the proud recipient of a Ray Kroc Award, an accolade that recognizes the top performing McDonald’s Restaurant Managers globally.

Named in honor of the McDonald’s Corporation founder Ray Kroc, the awards were established in 1999 to recognize hard-working restaurant managers across the United States – those who make Ray Kroc’s vision of excellence come to life in restaurants for customers each day.

Galdamez is one of 390 McDonald’s Restaurant Managers around the world, from 60 markets (representing the top 1% of restaurant managers) to receive the honor. She’s been working for McDonald’s for 18 years and will be celebrated by her team and customers on Monday, November 8 at 11 a.m. at McDonald’s, located at 60 Boston Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

In addition to being passionate about growing the business and satisfying customers, Galdamez is committed to serving the community, reflecting the culture and values of McDonald’s, and reinforcing McDonald’s purpose to feed and foster

communities. She provided free meals to her employees and their families, as well as to first responders, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. She held a successful mobile COVID-19 vaccine clinic that was free to the public. She assists local teachers with fundraisers throughout the year, donating 20% of sales to schools in the community during special events at the restaurant.

Lindsay Wallin, owner-operator of the McDonald’s restaurant on Boston Street, said: “Claudia was nominated for her commitment to the McDonald’s franchise, our values and her dedication to her staff and customers. We’re delighted that we are able to recognize Claudia in this way.”

### CONSCOM TAKES ACTIONS AGAINST HOMEOWNERS

REVERE - The Revere Conservation Commission took up a number of matters at its monthly meeting last Wednesday in the Joseph Del Grosso City Council Chambers.

Chairman John Shue and fellow commissioners Zachary Bisconti, Heather Legere, Nathalie Pardo, and Joseph Lavalley were on hand for the meeting.

Although the meeting was relatively-uneventful, the commission voted to take enforcement actions against three homeowners who had undertaken projects in their backyards, which abut wetland areas, without first receiving permission from the commission to perform the work.

The agenda items, followed by the commission members’ discussion and vote on each item, were as follows:

- 1) PMA DEP File #061-0774 - Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation – area off Muzzy Street – Hayes Engineering, Inc.

Discussion and vote: Anthony Capachietti from Hayes Engineering appeared for the petitioner, which owns the property off Muzzy St. Capachietti’s purpose in coming before the commission was to seek the commissioners’ approval of the wetland line that his firm had mapped out on the property.

Capachietti explained that the owner of the property presently has no plans to develop the land, which

Shue described as a “hilly and rocky area,” primarily because the land is accessible only through a residential neighborhood in the Town of Saugus, which has not given its approval to any development as of this time.

“We’re seeking to have the wetland line be set ahead of moving forward with a project,” said Capachietti. “There is no project in the pipeline because we need to get access through Saugus. There is nothing imminent because there are problems with access through the residential neighborhood.”

However, Capachietti explained that if the property owner should get permission to move forward with a project in the future, having the wetland line already established will speed up the process.

The commission voted 5-0 to accept the wetland

line as presented by Hayes Engineering.

2) MA DEP File #061-0688 Request for Certificate of Compliance; Existing Conditions – As-Built Plan, 245 Revere Beach Parkway; Site As-Built Plan, 205 Revere Beach Parkway; and 2021 Mitigation Monitoring Report, 205 Revere Beach Parkway.

Discussion and vote: Rick Lentini, a civil engineer, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Three members of the commission had performed a site visit to the property at 205 Revere Beach Parkway, which is a residential apartment building, prior to the hearing.

The main issues before the board pertained to parking and the proper removal of snow from the parking lot.

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# US Rep. Ayanna Pressley, Sen. Warren, local elected officials visit East Boston Social Centers

By John Lynds

This week President Joe Biden signed the \$1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure bill but Washington Democrats say it did not go far enough.

Ahead of Biden signing the bill, Democrats like US Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley and Sen. Elizabeth Warren toured the East Boston Social Centers (EBSC) Jeffries Point daycare site and called for bold investments to address both the human and physical infrastructure needs of our country.

“We have been clear from the onset that any vote on the narrow roads and bridges bill must happen in tandem with a vote on the Build Back Better Act that invests in our childcare economy, housing, paid leave, combating climate change, and more,” said Pressley.

The so-called Build Back Better Act would invest substantially in childcare and early education as building blocks for health and success, especially for low-income children and families.

With the Build Back Better stalled in the Senate, Pressley voted ‘no’ on the infrastructure bill.

“We had an agreement that these two bills would move together—not that we would vote for one in exchange for a potential vote on the other if certain conditions were met,” she said. “Unfortunately, that agreement was not honored. As such, I voted no on the narrow roads and bridges bill.”

During their visit to the Social Centers, Pressley and Warren were joined by Rep. Adrian Madaro, and Councilors Lydia Edwards, Julia Mejia, and Michael Flaherty, and guests Strategies for Children and Neighborhood Villages.

“Just like roads and bridges, child care is critical infrastructure,” said Warren after her Eastie visit.

Rep. Madaro added, “I had the opportunity to join our federal partners Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley and U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren for a tour of the East Boston Social Centers and a roundtable discussion on the importance of early education and care. Early education and childcare are indispensable to a healthy economy. They are also economic and racial justice issues. We’re ready to keep fighting to make sure every child in every family has access to high-quality programs.”

With Massachusetts having some of the highest childcare costs in the nation Madaro said he worked with Rep. Ken



Councilor Julia Mejia, Rep. Adrian Madaro, Councilor Lydia Edwards, Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley toured the East Boston Social Centers Jeffries Point Day Care.

Gordon, Sen. Jason Lewis, Sen. Susan Moran and the Common Start Coalition to file legislation to deliver universal early education and childcare to all families in Massachusetts.

“Our bill would significantly increase public investment in these critical resources to make them more affordable and accessible to all. It would also increase pay and benefits for educators to ensure they are able to enter and remain in the profession they chose,” he said. “I’m proud to work with leaders like Sen. Warren and Congresswoman Pressley who are fighting to make this a reality for our country at the federal level. I’m also proud to have a shining example of excellent early education and childcare for families in the East Boston Social Centers. We appreciate all you do.”

Executive Director for

Strategies for Children Amy O’Leary added, “Massachusetts is ready for historic federal investments. These new funds need to reach the field as soon as possible so we can build a stronger, more sustainable, more equitable early childhood system for all.”

EBSC Executive Director Justin Pasquariello thanked the legislators for their leadership and advocacy that he said reinforced the critical importance of increasing access to and affordability of early education and care while investing in teacher wages, high quality buildings, and teacher education and development.

“It was a very special day,” said Pasquariello. “Other Social Centers staff took part in the visit and joined for an insightful roundtable conversation on the need for and impacts of quality early

education and care, including Senator Warren for her leadership and her commitment to shining a light on how the groundbreaking Build Back Better bill makes a transformative investment in early education and care, to support both programs and families. We were thrilled to have had the opportunity to speak with Senator Warren and with state and municipal representatives, local advocates, program leaders, and teachers about the critical role that child care plays - and the urgency of solving the early educator wage crisis.”

Pasquariello added that when the Build Back Better bill does pass, “We all need to work together, at all our different levels, to successfully put the dollars into action and build a childcare system that works for educators, families and children.”



Rep. Adrian Madaro, Executive Director of the Social Centers Justin Pasquariello, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, Councilor Michael Flaherty and City Councilor Lydia Edwards during the roundtable discussion on child care affordability.

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# Reaching new heights

## Sky Zone Everett celebrates its 10th anniversary

By Cary Shuman

Sky Zone Everett will celebrate its 10th anniversary Saturday with several special activities planned at the indoor trampoline park located on Norman Street.

The event, which will include gift giveaways, free pizza from Nana’s Pizza and baked good from Continental Bakery, will begin at 2 p.m. Mayor Carlo DeMaria has been invited as a special guest.

Casey McLear, the company’s chief operations officer who oversees Sky Zone’s three parks in Massachusetts, said he and staff members at the Everett location are excited to have the park back in full operations after the pandemic forced a year-

long closure of the facility from March, 2020, to March, 2021.

“We were beyond excited to welcome back friends, families, and the Everett community,” said McLear. “We welcomed them back with new attractions that we were really excited about.”

Sky Zone Everett added a Ninja Warrior course as well as a Bungie course that are designed for people of all ages.

“These attractions add to the active, fun offerings that we’ve had for so many years,” said McLear. “We’ve been hosting a lot of birthdays and special occasion events and seeing a lot of smiling faces.”

Freestyle bouncing, dodgeball, and fitness programs are also attracting

large numbers of participants to the spacious facility.

“We’ve opened a specific toddler area that we call the Junior Jump Zone,” said McLear. “We have many of our attractions that are shrunk down for those who are just learning how to jump and bounce with us, so it includes a small trampoline area, a small foam pit, small rock climbing as well as an indoor climbing kids’ space.”

Sky Zone’s Glow Program is bringing in huge crowds on Friday and Saturday nights. “We put on black lights and have a DJ, and everyone wears fluorescent shirts that illuminates them under the glow lights,” said McLear. “It just adds a different feel to

the space, and it has been really well received.”

### Celebrating milestones

Sky Zone will be celebrating several milestones at Saturday’s event.

“Over the 10-year period, we have had 900,000 jumpers, which is pretty amazing,” said McLear. “We were one of the first trampoline parks on the East Coast and we have been welcomed with open arms by the City of Everett. This is a new era of Sky Zone, and we couldn’t have done it without the support of the community. We’re grateful for our 10 years in Everett.”

### O’Neill will be recognized for ten years of service

Everett resident Colleen



Sky Zone celebrates its 10th anniversary Saturday.

O’Neill will be recognized Saturday for her 10 years as a Sky Zone team member. O’Neill has been with the company since the opening of Sky Zone.

“Colleen has been with us since the very beginning,” said McLear. “She was one of the first employees hired before we even opened in 2011. Colleen has continued to grow with us in a variety of roles, and we’re excited to celebrate her 10 years as well.”

O’Neill currently serves as business manager at Sky Zone.

### Annual Pass Sale commences

Casey McLear also announced that Sky Zone will mark its 10th anniversary and the coming holiday season with its Annual Pass Sale.

People will be able to purchase a pass for \$129, which will entitle individuals to use the facility every day for the entire year.

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year flood for parking?” asked Lavalley,

“Do the tenants know their parking is in a flood plain?” Bisconti queried.

“Where will they pile snow?,” Shue asked. “The issue is piling it up against a back fence (which abuts wetlands) and letting it melt without a treatment system.”

The commissioners also wanted to see maintenance logs for the property. A representative from the property owner noted however, that there was a change of the property manager in June and therefore there were only a few months of property logs available.

“I think we should make it a condition of compliance that they provide quarterly maintenance plans and must make arrangements for snow to be trucked away from the site,” said Shue, who noted that, “Everything else has been done in substantial completion of the conditions.”

The commission then cited 5-0 to approve the Certificate of Completion with the added conditions.

3) Donation of land from Joseph Festa Construction Co., Inc. for conservation purposes. Lot C Emanuel Street – Blk-Pcl-Unit 018-324G-001B

Discussion and vote:

“We always are interested in land to protect for conservation purposes,” said Shue. “The city would like to do it in case it needs to trade land with the state DCR for another purpose in the future. The City Council needs a letter from us accepting this property and donation.”

The commission voted 5-0 to accept the property and send the appropriate letter to the City Council.

4) Potential Enforcement Action – 630 Revere Beach Boulevard.

Discussion and vote:

This matter pertained to work performed by the owners of 630 Revere Beach Blvd., who appeared on behalf of themselves. The issue for the owners is that they had attempted some self-help to alleviate a flooding problem on their property without obtaining permission from the Conservation Commission.

The homeowners told the commission that they have owned the property for about a year, but have had flooding in their ga-

rage and basement during heavy rains because of the pitch of the property.

They dug out their backyard to alleviate the problem, but did so without the necessary permits.

“I issued a notice of warning of potential violation and that we needed them to come here to explain to us what they’re doing,” Shue explained to his fellow commissioners. “They have done a bunch of work. A lot of soil has been removed without a permit from the commission.”

When asked by the commissioners whether they have a plan, the owners replied that they wish to remove the soil and replace it with crushed stone.

“Our concern is that the back of the lot is near the turning circle to get to Riverview with a wetlands and drainage,” said Shue. “We want to control sediment before it runs off the property. If you had come to us ahead of time, it is likely that you would have been approved.

“But the sides need to be stabilized and the final elevation needs to be adhered to,” Shue continued. “We need a plan of what that’s going to look like. You must file a notice of intent with proper notice to abutters.”

After the owners explained that they had no intention of doing further work in the near-future, Shue explained, “We’re trying to work with you, but we need a timeline that is sooner rather than later. We want to address this at our January meeting, which means you must have a drawing and a Notice of Intent (NOI), with advertising in the newspaper, by mid-December.

“The issue is proximity to wetlands and we need to bring this back into compliance,” Shue concluded.

Shue then brought before the commission another potential enforcement action for the properties at 8 and 10 Marsh View Terrace, a cul de sac located in No. Revere behind Rumney Marsh.

Shue explained that the owner of 10 Marsh View Terrace had obtained a permit from the city to fill in his backyard, in order to extend it, after seeing that his neighbor had done so and had installed a patio on the premises, with

possible plans for a swimming pool.

“I was asked whether this falls within the commission’s jurisdiction and after doing some research, I determined that this is in an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC),” said Shue, who said he had consulted with the State Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP) to determine the appropriate enforcement mechanism by the commission.

“Rumney Marsh is nearby,” Shue continued. “Construction debris and rubble cannot be used as fill, which is what they’ve done. This requires an enforcement order in order to tell them what they need to do to correct the problem.

“Since their property drains into Rumney Marsh, an erosion sediment barrier needs to be put up and the owners must hire a wetlands scientist to restore the wetlands with native species to replace the invasive species that are there now,” Shue added.

The commission voted 5-0 to accept the DEP’s recommendation to proceed in this manner. The commissioners signed an enforcement letter ordering the homeowners to appear at the commission’s next meeting on December 1 with a plan and that all work must be completed no later than March.

In their final matters on the agenda, the commissioners acknowledged the resignations from the commission of Bisconti, effective at the end of the meeting, and Pardo, effective November 30. Shue noted that they are pursuing career opportunities in Washington, D.C. and South Africa.

## DEMPSEY STILL IN PREMIER HOCKEY FEDERATION

WINTHROP - Jillian Dempsey showed no signs of relinquishing her crown as the most electrifying player in the Premier Hockey Federation or her reigning champion Boston Pride team’s hold on the Isobel Cup.

It was a fantastic opening weekend of the 2021-22 season for Dempsey, the former Harvard University star from Winthrop. The Boston Pride captain scored

her milestone 50th career goal, assisted on line-mate McKenna Brand’s short-handed winning goal in Sunday’s 1-0 victory over the Whitecaps, and joined her teammates in unveiling the 2021 National Women’s Hockey League championship banner. (The NWHL has changed its name to the Premier Hockey Federation).

But of all her glorious individual achievements as the Connor McDavid of women’s hockey, the humble Harvardian seemed to enjoy the presence of her fifth-grade students in the crowd at the Warrior Rink the most. The Cummings School teacher extended a fist-bump through the glass to acknowledge her students before the game, and there was the hero’s reception that she experienced from them after the games as they waited patiently for her to emerge from the Pride locker room.

“I’m here to see Miss Dempsey,” said Cummings School fifth grader Molly Titemore, who attended Sunday’s game with her family. “She’s a really cool teacher. I like her because she’s a hockey player and she can manage two things at once. This is my first time seeing her play hockey, and she’s awesome. I know she went to Harvard, too. I’m going to tell my classmates how much fun we had today.”

Boston Pride Coach Paul Mara, who played 12 seasons in the National Hockey League and who like Winthrop’s Mike Eruzione, has an Olympic gold medal (as an assistant coach of the 2018 U.S. women’s hockey team), appreciates Dempsey’s impactful presence and exceptional leadership.

“Jillian is a special person and a special player,” said Mara. “The way she dedicates herself to this game is second to none. And her work ethic, her intensity, her leadership – it’s awesome to be around.”

Boston Pride goaltender Katie Burt, who played three seasons for Anthony Martucci’s Winthrop High varsity team beginning in the sixth grade,

said of her teammate, “I love Demps. She’s awesome. Jillian’s the hardest worker on the ice and the ultimate professional. She shows up every day ready

to work hard and she’s the ultimate leader who brings us all together.”


As her students rushed to take photos with her after the game, Dempsey, who is playing on an All-Beanpot line with McKenna Brand (Northeastern) and Sammy Davis (Boston University), talked about the opening weekend of the new season.

“It’s a great start to the season,” said Dempsey. “I’m proud of today’s effort and obviously it’s great to start the year 2-0.”

As for her career goal-scoring milestone, Dempsey said, “It’s exciting. I’m more focused on the wins and getting us to where we need to be. It’s

a great testament to all the linemates and teammates I’ve had.”

Dempsey, whose parents and sister were at the games, said it was nice to see the large crowd back in the rink [after COVID-19 affected attendance last season]. “To have the lively crowd in Boston, to be able to have my students in the crowd, and my family and friends – that’s what makes it worth it. Having my students here really makes me smile. They pound on the glass, and I try to go over and give them a little fist-bump, give them a wave and let them know that I see that they’re here and appreciate all their support.”





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# OBITUARIES

## Linda Griffin

January 14, 1958 – November 14, 2021

Linda K. (Strishock) Griffin passed away on Sunday morning, November 14 while at the Elliott Hospital in Manchester, NH surrounded by her loved ones. She was 63 years of age and lived courageously with cancer for the last nine years.

Born in Peoria, Illinois, she was a beloved daughter of the late John E. Strishock, Sr. and Ada L (Newman) Chotkowski. Linda came to Chelsea when she was four years old, grew up in Chelsea and attended local schools. She was the beloved wife of 40 years to Anthony L. Griffin, Jr. and was a resident of Chelsea for most of her life until settling in Londonderry, NH with her husband and family 25 years ago.

She worked from home as the chief operating officer and co-owner of Griffin Builders, a local family-owned construction company, for 40 years. Her life centered around her home, she loved gardening and landscaping. She would frequently entertain and host family and friends in her Londonderry home, known to many as “The Griffin Compound.” She enjoyed spending leisure time with friends and family at Foxwoods and annual leaf peeping up north with her husband. But her greatest joy came when she welcomed her darling granddaughter “Gracie” into her life and she most enjoyed the time spent with her.

In addition to her parents, Linda was also predeceased by her sister, Shirley Edmark-Zucchari. She was the beloved wife of 40 years to Anthony L. Griffin, Jr. , devoted



mother of Tracy A. Jobity of Derry, NH and Anthony L. Griffin, III of Lowell; cherished grandmother of Alivia Grace Jobity, dear sister and sister-in-law of John Strishock and his wife, Debra of Salem, NH and Donna Jones and Carol Pantano, both of Revere. She is also survived by her “better child,” Taylor Allen of Tampa FL, her many nieces, nephews, extended family, friends and her canine “Fur Baby,” Holly.

Visiting hours will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday, November 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. In order to protect the public health, we advise that all visitors wear face masks while in the Funeral Home. Her Funeral will be from the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday, November 19 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at the Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

To send expressions of sympathy, visit [www.welshFH.com](http://www.welshFH.com).

## Emily Louise Mugford

She will be missed by all who loved her

Emily Louise Mugford, 93, entered eternal rest on Wednesday morning, November 10 at her home in Medford surrounded by her loving care takers. She was 93 years of age.

Born in Chelsea, the daughter of the late Roland D. and Minnie (Penney) Mugford, Emily was raised in Everett and was a longtime resident before moving into a group home in Medford, where she has been living for the past 10 years.

A late member of the Calvary Christian Church in Lynnfield, she will be greatly missed by all who loved her within her church and group home family.

The sister of the late

Harvey R. Mugford, she was also the aunt of William and Jean Mugford of New Hampshire.

Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Emily’s visiting hours at the Carafa Family Funeral Home, 389 Washington Ave., Chelsea today, Thursday, November 18 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Funeral services will follow the visitation in the Funeral Home at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Glenwood Cemetery in Everett.

For the protection of the public health, we kindly ask those not vaccinated to please wear a mask or facial covering. Masks are optional for all those vaccinated.

## Hazel Winifred Ells

“HAZEL” everyone’s “Nana”

Hazel Winifred (Walters) Ells entered eternal life on Thursday, November 4. She has been in residence at Winchester Nursing Center receiving supportive care over the past year. She was 102 years of age.

Born in Chelsea on March 17, 1919, she was a beloved daughter of the late Samuel and Marion (Magoun) Walters. She attended the Shurtleff School in Chelsea and graduated from Chelsea High School with the class of ’37.

She married George Zielinski and together they began to raise a family from their Pearl Street home in Chelsea. She was widowed suddenly when her beloved husband, George passed away. A young mother of three, five years later, Hazel married John A. Ells. They remained in the Zielinski Home on Pearl Street for many years.

Hazel worked outside of her home for many years. In the 1940’s during WW II, Hazel worked for JA Cigar Factory in Charlestown and she was a bookkeeper at a tomato produce company near her home on Pearl St. She was a member of the “ILGWU” ladies’ garment workers union and worked for many years with Boston based Goddess Bra Company. Hazel was a talented and sought-after seamstress fashioning countless wedding and prom gowns, costumes and outfits for dance troupes and other garments from her home for family and friends.

She was a resident of Chelsea for most of her life. Hazel and John later made their home on County Road living with her dear in-laws Frank and Estelle Zielinski.

Hazel retired from work becoming “everyone’s Nana.” She and John purchased a pop-up camper to spend weekends camping with her grandchildren and friends and Hazel relished that time camping all around New England. Hazel loved to spend evenings around a campfire regaling her friends and grandchildren with heartwarming and entertaining stories.

She enjoyed traveling to Arizona and Las Vegas visiting her son and his family. She was a charter member of the Friendly Neighbor’s Club hosting weekly meetings from her



home. Hazel was a resident of Chelsea for most of her life. A few years ago, she moved in with her daughter, Patricia in New Hampshire and recently with her daughter, Eileen in Rockport. Wherever she lived, she left a legacy of love living a full and wonderful life.

In addition to her parents and husband, George, she was again widowed in ’98 when John Ells passed on. She was also predeceased by her son, George Zielinski, grandson, David Middleton and her siblings: William Walters, Edith Radziewicz, Alfred Walters and Samuel Walters; her dearly beloved in-laws, Estelle and Frank Zielinski and her lifelong friend, Frances MacDonald.

She was the devoted and forever loved mother of Patricia Middleton and her husband, Robert of Greenfield, NH, George’s wife, Carol Zielinski of Arizona and Eileen “Leenie” Bradley and her husband, Hugh “Butch” of Rockport; cherished grandmother of Michael Middleton, James Middleton, Shane Zielinski, Wade Zielinski, William Bradley and his wife, Eileen; adoring great-grandmother of Lara Middleton, Olyvia, Bailey and Willow Middleton, Shayna Zielinski-Johnson, Arrow Zielinski, Maggie Bradley, and Max Bradley; loving great great-grandmother of Aubrey, Jamison, Karizma, Alyssa, Nikoli. Hazel is also survived by many extended family members of the Ells and Zielinski Families.

A celebration of “HAZEL’S WONDERFUL LIFE” will be announced and held later when friends and family can gather safely to remember this most special woman.

Arrangements by the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea. To send expressions of sympathy, visit [www.welsh-FH.com](http://www.welsh-FH.com).

## John DePaulo, Jr.

His thoughtful ways are what made him so special to everyone

Family and friends are invited to gather in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St.,

Revere on Friday, November 19, at 10 a.m., with the family of John P. DePaulo, Jr., 68, who died on Friday, November 5 at Brigham & Women’s Hospital in Boston following a brief illness. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. followed with interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

John was born in Boston to John P. DePaulo, Sr. and Violet A. (Arinello) DePaulo. He was raised in Chelsea and was a proud graduate of Malden Catholic High School, Class of 1970.

A longtime resident of both Chelsea and Brighton, he was a graduate of Malden Catholic H.S., Class of 1970 and continued to further his education, something he valued, by earning his BA in Psychology from Fitchburg State College.

John worked for Mass Health for 10 years as a Patient Care Advocate and prior at the Vinfen Corporation of Cambridge as a Respite Counselor to the developmentally disabled members of the community and their families. He canvassed and petitioned for consumer and environmental issues. John was also a successful fund raiser for several medical care associations and various non-profit groups. He was passionate about social issues in which he believed.

He was an avid communicant at St. Columbkille Parish in Brighton, where he made his home for the past 20 years. John was a huge Boston Sports fan, the Celtics, Patriots and especially the Red Sox. The family members always knew that they would receive a phone call after the game, with his commentary about a play



or call.

He made friends very easily because of the type of person he was, He loved his family, unequivocally. John was always sending out cards to his brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, grandnieces or grand nephews for birthdays, holidays or special events or celebrations in their lives. His thoughtful ways are what made him so special to everyone.

He was the loving brother of Donna M. Metcalf and her husband, Neil of Kingston, Richard J. DePaulo and his wife, Anna of San Francisco, CA, Stephen J. DePaulo and his wife, Sue Yen of Marblehead, Diane F. Crowley and her husband, William of Rockland, Denise R. Lynch and her husband, Michael of Atkinson, NH and Maria A. DiCenso and her husband, Domenic of Winthrop; he was the cherished and proud uncle of 13 nieces and nephews and 15 grandnieces and grandnephews. He is also lovingly survived by many friends, parishioners and neighbors at St. Columbkille Parish. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Columbkille Parish Fund, 321 Market St., Brighton, MA 02135.

To send online condolences, please visit [www.vertuccioandsmith.com](http://www.vertuccioandsmith.com).

Funeral Arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals.

## Post Offices closed in observance of Thanksgiving

There will be no regular mail delivery or retail services available on Thursday, Nov. 25, as postal employees across the commonwealth celebrate Thanksgiving. But our carriers will still be delivering Priority Express and other guaranteed next day services.

This holiday, the Postal Service is reminding customers to shop and ship early. Our online store is open 24/7 at [usps.com](http://usps.com) and boasts plenty of gift-giving ideas from T-shirts to framed prints, toys and tote bags.

For the 2021 peak season — the period between Thanksgiving and New Year’s Day — the Postal Service will deliver more mail and packages to homes than any other shipper. It’s anticipated that between 850 million and 950 million packages will be delivered for the holidays. The total number of letters, cards and packages processed and delivered is estimated to be more than 12 billion.

The Postal Service will expand Sunday delivery, beginning Nov. 28, to locations with high package volumes. USPS already delivers packages on Sundays in most major cities

and expects to deliver more than 9.7 million packages each Sunday throughout the holiday season. Mail carriers will also deliver packages for an additional fee on Christmas Day in select locations.

The Postal Service plans all year for the peak holiday season. This year’s preparations include leasing 7.5 million square feet of additional space across more than 40 annexes to handle the increase in the number of packages being mailed. The Postal Service is also currently hiring for more than 40,000 seasonal positions to help process and deliver the mail.

Since April, the Postal Service has installed 97 of 112 new package sorting machines, reflecting the Postmaster General’s “Delivering for America” plan’s \$40 billion of planned investment over 10 years. Additionally, more than 50 machines that can sort large packages are expected to be up and running prior to December. The new machinery gives the Postal Service the capacity to process an additional 4.5 million packages each day.

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# Opioid-related overdose death rate up 1 percent in the first nine months of 2021

Opioid-related overdose deaths in Massachusetts rose slightly in the first nine months of 2021 compared to the same time last year, according to preliminary data released today by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH). In the first nine months of the year, there were 1,613 confirmed and estimated opioid-related overdose deaths, approximately 21 more deaths than in the first nine months of 2020, or a 1 percent increase. Data released earlier this year noted that Black non-Hispanic men made up the largest increase in opioid overdose death rates, a finding reinforced by today’s report, and which underscores the importance of the Commonwealth’s continued investments to address this issue with a focus on equity.

Throughout the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and related public health challenges, the Commonwealth has continued to focus on the opioid epidemic, most recently investing over \$45 million in federal dollars to support prevention, treatment, and recovery programs for vulnerable populations. This includes a combined \$19 million for early childhood and youth substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery programs; \$9 million for low-threshold access to treatment for people struggling with opioid use disorder; \$2.8 million for treatment for people experiencing homelessness; and a combined \$11.3 million to support transitional and permanent housing programs for adults, families, and young adults in treatment and recovery from substance abuse disorder.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated substance misuse not only in Massachusetts, but across the country. Our Administration has continued to tackle both

the opioid epidemic and the COVID-19 pandemic with a focus on equity,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “Since 2015, we have more than doubled spending on substance misuse programs across state government, boosted the number of treatment beds, and signed two landmark laws to respond to this public health crisis. We continue to invest in treatment, support, intervention, and education programs, primarily for residents experiencing the highest burden of this epidemic.”

“We remain committed to increasing resources to battle the opioid crisis amid the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic over the past 20 months, particularly for those struggling with substance use and mental health disorders,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. “We will continue to work collaboratively with all stakeholders to ensure residents struggling with addiction have access to necessary supports.”

The Baker-Polito Administration has continued to build on its work and funding to address this crisis, more than doubling investments in this area since 2015. The Fiscal Year 2022 budget includes a total investment of \$408 million across various state agencies to address substance misuse, a 22 percent increase over last fiscal year, and an increase of \$288.8 million (242%) since FY15.

Since the early days of the pandemic, the Administration has continued to expand overdose-targeted initiatives to ensure un-

interrupted substance use treatment and support. DPH has distributed more than 124,000 naloxone kits to opioid treatment programs, community health centers, hospital emergency departments, and houses of correction since March 2020. With a blanket exception from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), 35 percent of Massachusetts opioid treatment program patients have been receiving take-home doses of medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD) as of September 2021, compared to the pre-pandemic average of 16 percent in December 2019.

Massachusetts is among the states with the smallest increases nationwide in all drug overdose deaths between March 2020 and March 2021, according to the latest preliminary data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The data show that while drug overdose deaths surged by 31 percent nationally in that time period, Massachusetts’ increase was in the single digits.

“We have seen the impacts of the intersecting COVID-19 pandemic and opioid epidemic on some of our most vulnerable communities,” said Health and Human Services Secretary Marylou Sudders. “As the Commonwealth emerges from the pandemic, we must engage with trusted community-based health care providers to provide culturally responsive support and treatment.”

“Prior to the pandemic, opioid-related overdose death rates in Massachusetts had been stable. Unfortunately, the pandemic exacerbated the opioid crisis, particularly in communities of color which have also been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19,” said Acting Public Health Commissioner Margret Cooke. “Our goal is to reverse this troubling trend by continuing to build on our aggressive, data- and equity-based public health approach to prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery.”

Overall, there were 2,106 opioid-related over-

dose deaths in 2020, a 5 percent increase over the previous year and just shy of the 2016 peak of 2,110 deaths, according to the latest preliminary data. The 2020 opioid-related overdose death rate of 30.2 per 100,000 people was approximately 1.6 percent lower than in 2016 (30.7 per 100,000), the latest data show.

In 2021, the powerful lethal synthetic opioid fentanyl continues to be the main driver of opioid-related overdose deaths in Massachusetts. In the first half of 2021, fentanyl was present in 92 percent of opioid-related deaths where a toxicology report was available, preliminary data show.

Cocaine is the next most prevalent drug among opioid-related overdose deaths after fentanyl, present in 52 percent of toxicology reports in the first six months of 2021 – a 13 percent increase over 2020. In 2017, cocaine was present in 39 percent of opioid-related overdose deaths.

The rate of heroin or likely heroin present in opioid-related overdose deaths was 9 percent and has been declining since 2014. The presence of benzodiazepines, amphetamines, and prescription opioids in opioid-related overdose deaths remained stable in the first half of the year, toxicology screens show. The percentage of benzodiazepine has been declining since 2018.

In the first half of 2021, males ages 25-34 continued to represent the greatest number of suspected opioid-related incidents treated by Emergency Medical Services (EMS), accounting for 22 percent of opioid-related incidents with a known age and sex.

Among the other findings of the latest opioid report:


- Between 2019 and 2020, the confirmed opioid-related overdose death rate for white

- non-Hispanic residents decreased slightly: 33.4 per 100,000 in 2019 to 33.1 per 100,000 in 2020. Meanwhile, the rate for all Black non-Hispanic residents increased 63 percent from 22 to 36 per 100,000.
- The confirmed opioid-related overdose death rate for Asian Pacific Islander non-Hispanic residents increased about 27 percent from 2.6 to 3.3 per 100,000 between 2019 and 2020. For Hispanic residents the rate increased over 12 percent from 32 to 36 per 100,000.
- In the same time period, the confirmed opioid-related overdose death rate per 100,000 for Black non-Hispanic, Asian Pacific Islander non-Hispanic, and Hispanic men increased, while it decreased for white non-Hispanic men.
- Between 2019 and 2020, the opioid-related overdose death rate among all females increased by 15 percent, from 14 to 16 per 100,000.
- In the same time period, the confirmed opioid-related overdose death rate increased for Black
- non-Hispanic, Hispanic, and white non-Hispanic women:

- Black non-Hispanic up 32 percent from 12 to 16 per 100,000
- Hispanic up 68 percent from 8 to 14 per 100,000
- White non-Hispanic up 8 percent from 17 to 19 per 100,000
- Males comprise 73 percent of all opioid-related overdose deaths occurring in 2020.
- In 2020, 50 percent of opioid-related deaths occurred in people who were between 25 and 44 years old; 40 percent were between 45 and 64 years old.
- Naloxone was administered in 96 percent of acute opioid overdoses during the first six months of 2021. Of all opioid-related EMS incidents in the first half of 2021, 53.1 percent were categorized as acute opioid overdoses.
- Approximately 469,000 individuals in Massachusetts received prescriptions for Schedule II opioids in the third quarter of 2021, a 44 percent decrease from 841,990 in the first quarter of 2015.

## LEGAL NOTICES


### LEGAL NOTICE

  
NOTICE  
In accordance with Section 27 (b) and (d) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on November 15, 2021, the City Council voted after a second reading to adopt the following orders: Whereas, The City owns open space known as Quigley Park, which is located at 25 Essex Street and documented as Parcel ID 20-12 on the City's Assessors Maps; and Whereas, Quigley Park is preserved as open space in perpetuity, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 45, §3 and Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution, as evidenced by the property's deed, which is catalogued under Book 900, Page 309 in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds; and Whereas, The priorities detailed in the City's 2017-2024 Open Space and Recreation Plan include the renovation of the City's most heavily used recreational facilities, such as Quigley Park, to provide active recreational opportunities for all ages that take advantage of Chelsea's environmental, cultural and scenic resources; and Whereas, Quigley Park is a heavily utilized and popular playground that is a vital recreational asset for City residents, yet Quigley Park has not been substantially renovated in nearly a decade, although it's existing condition warrants refurbishment; and Whereas, The City, through the Department of Housing & Community Development, filed a grant application to the Executive Office of Ener-

gy and Environmental Affairs (EOEAA) PARC Grant Program and was awarded a \$400,000 PARC grant for the renovation of Quigley Park; and Whereas, The renovation of this facility is estimated to cost \$750,000, and the City will be reimbursed for 70% of the full project cost, up to \$400,000, under the PARC grant requirements; and Whereas, Because the PARC grant reimburses the City for design and construction, the City is required by PARC grant requirements to set aside the full cost of the project and certify that full funding, including the State share, is available for the project prior to reimbursement; and Whereas, the City has funded the remainder of the total project cost through a \$350,000 appropriation in the FY22 Capital Improvement Plan; and Whereas, To ensure the successful implementation of this and other PARC grant funded projects, the funds appropriated through this order for the renovations for Quigley Park may be utilized for all of Quigley Park's project costs in the event that the construction costs exceed the estimated costs, and any surplus funds may be allotted toward future PARC grant funded open space improvements; THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: By this vote, the Chelsea City Council endorses this project for the receipt of PARC grant funds, appropriates the balance of the total project cost of \$400,000 from the General Stabilization Fund #7020; designates Quigley Park as open space parkland in perpetuity, in accordance with Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitu-

tion and M.G.L., c. 45, §3 and authorizes the City Manager to utilize any surplus funds for current and future PARC funded improvements for open space within the City of Chelsea, certifies the City Manager's authority to enter into an agreement for the receipt of these funds and directs the City Manager to take any and all necessary action to accomplish the project. Copies of the orders are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA 02150. Jeannette Cintron White City Clerk  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CHELSEA TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 90 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission will be held on: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers 500 Broadway Pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment regarding a request to make Clark Avenue a one-way street, from Webster Avenue to Eleanor Street. Per Order Chief Brian A. Kyes Chairperson  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION**  
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RTN 3-18459

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. On November 15, 2021, 200 Beacham Street LLC recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds a NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION on the disposal site, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1070 through 40.1080. The NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION will limit the following site activities and uses on the above property:

(i) Any child care use (commercial or residential), institutional use with a residential or child care component, educational use for children under 18 years of age, or recreational use, such as a playground or other similar use where a child is likely to be regularly present;

(ii) Any residential use of the Property;

(iii) Any use of the Property for the growing of fruits or vegetables for human consumption;

(iv) Any excavation or earth moving activities on the Property that would materially alter the surface grade of the Property or relocate soil currently at a depth greater than three feet below the surface grade elevation of the Property to within three feet of the surface grade elevation of the Property, unless first evaluated by a Licensed Site Professional who renders an opinion to the effect that the resulting altered grades will not create or increase a condition of significant risk on the Property;

(v) Any planned (non-emergency) utility or construction activities and/or uses which are likely to disturb soil on the Property unless such activities are conducted within the confines of the imported soil utility corridors or in compliance with the Obligations and Conditions specified in the Activity and Use

Limitation, and further provided that the grade is restored to the pre-work grade at the completion of any such work;

(vi) Construction of new occupied buildings or structures unless the requirements in Obligations and Conditions specified in the Activity and Use Limitation are complied with; and

(vii) Activities resulting in the removal or damage of the concrete floor or vapor barrier as shown on Exhibit B of the Activity and Use Limitation, unless repaired in accordance with Obligations and Conditions specified in the Activity and Use Limitation.

Any person interested in obtaining additional information about the NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION may contact Kenneth E. Lento, National Grid, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, MA 02451, 617-791-2627 or James R. Ash, GEI Consultants, Inc., 400 Unicorn Park Drive, Woburn, MA 01801, 781-721-4018. The NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION and the disposal site file can be viewed at the MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-18459 at <https://eeonline.eea.state.ma.us/portal#!/search/wastesite> or at the MassDEP Northeast Regional Office, 205 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, 978-694-3200.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK, SS.**  
**DOCKET NUMBER:** SU20P0639

To all persons interested in the matter of: Alfred Dingwell (a/k/a Barry Dingwell) of Chelsea, in said County of Suffolk – a person under conservatorship.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for license to sell a private sale certain real estate of Alfred Dingwell (a/k/a Barry Dingwell) of Chelsea, in the County of Suffolk, for maintenance and praying that the petitioner Alfred Dingwell (a/k/a Barry Dingwell) may be licensed to sell convey the same of said

real estate.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 08th day of December 2021, the return day of this citation.

Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 03rd day of November 2021.

Felix D. Arroyo  
Register of Probate  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**

Essex Probate And Family Court  
36 Federal Street  
Salem, MA 01970  
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**  
**DOCKET NUMBER:** ES21D0764DR  
George Chakoutis Plaintiff  
VS.  
Maycon Da Silva Defendant  
To the Defendant: Then Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of the marriage. The Complaint is on file at the Court.  
An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411. You are summoned and required to serve upon: George Chakoutis, 5 Barr Street Salem, MA 01970, your answer, if any, on or before 12/27/2021. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: November 08, 2021  
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copy of The JLM Family Trust, executed on April 4, 1996, and the Restated Amendment to The JLM Family Trust executed on October 11, 2019, both by Marlene as trustee and trustee (collectively and as amended the "Trust").

6. Pursuant to Article 6.F (2), of the Trust, upon the death of Marlene the Trust property shall be distributed to her children equally, free of trust.

7. As provided for in documentation submitted in support of the complaint Marlene was survived by two children, Lisa Beth Cohen and Lauren Kate Demko.

A list of all known interested parties at the time this Citation is issued is included below. If you, as an interested party, wish to object or defend against this Petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer. The answer must state clearly and specifically your objection or defense to each part of the Petition. You must sign the answer "under oath", which means that you swear or affirm the answer is true. This appearance and answer must be filed in the office of the Recorder of the Land Court on or before the DEADLINE TO ANSWER: 12/13/2021.

A copy of this answer must also be served upon the Petitioner(s) at the address provided below on or before the above deadline. If you do not respond, you may lose the chance to tell your side, and the Court may decide the case against you by default and award the Petitioner everything asked for in the Petition.

To the Petitioner: The Court ORDERS the Petitioner to serve this Citation on the interested party(ies) named below by publishing it one time in Chelsea Record, a newspaper published/circulated in City of Chelsea, in the County of Suffolk, and said Commonwealth, twenty-one (21) days before the deadline to answer. After the deadline to answer, if no one has filed an answer with the Land Court, the Petitioner shall file with the Land Court a military affidavit

and motion for general default, together with proof(s) of service. These forms may be found at [www.mass.gov/courts](http://www.mass.gov/courts). Questions may be directed to the Chief Title Examiner of the Land Court.

WITNESS  
Hon. Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice  
DATE ISSUED: 11/09/2021  
RECORDER: Deborah J. Patterson  
PETITIONER'S SERVICE ADDRESS  
Brian Paul Barrett, Esq.  
Barrett Kornitsky LLP  
One Essex Green Drive  
Peabody, MA 01960  
DATE ISSUED: 11/09/2021  
/RECORDER: Deborah J. Patterson  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**

Suffolk Probate And Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617)788-8300  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Docket No. SU21P1434EA  
Estate of:  
Mary A. Bullock  
Date of Death: 03/16/2021

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Eastpointe Rehab Center, Lic of Chelsea, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Eastpointe Rehab Center, LLC by of Chelsea, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this

Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/01/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**  
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: October 13, 2021  
Felix D. Arroyo  
Register of Probate  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**LEGAL NOTICE**  
The Metro North Regional Employment Board, d/b/a MassHire Metro North Workforce Board (MNWB) has released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure WIOA Youth-In and/or Out of School program providers for Fiscal Year 2023 covering the period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023 with potential renewals of one additional year. The RFP and related documents are posted on the MNWB website: <https://masshiremetro-north.org>  
Bidder's Conference Webinar scheduled for December 8, 2021 at 2PM. The Metro North Workforce Board is an EOE/AA program.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**

Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE  
Docket No. SU21P0552EA  
Estate of: Michael John Etters  
Also Known As: Michael J. Etters  
Date of Death: December 23, 2020  
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Carol Ann Etters of Hapague, NY. A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Carol Ann Etters of Hapague, NY has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT**  
21 SM 001364  
ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Manuel Perez; Michelle Messenger and to all persons

entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act; 50 U.S.C. 50 §3901 (et seq): U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Certificateholders of Washington Mutual Asset-Backed Certificates WMABS Series 2006-HE5, claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Chelsea, numbered 11 Springvale Avenue, given by Manuel Perez and Michelle Messenger to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for People's Choice Home Loan, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated July 14, 2006, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40221, Page 216, as affected by mortgage re-recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 40893, Page 313, as affected by a Loan Modification dated January 1, 2013, and recorded in Said Registry of Deeds in Book 50796, Page 134, and now held by plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before December 13, 2021 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on October 29, 2021  
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## CITY OF CHELSEA HOLDS VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

The City of Chelsea held its Veterans Day Ceremony Nov. 11 at the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, a Vietnam War veteran, served as the leader of the speaking program.

Chelsea Veterans Services Director Francisco Toro offered the welcoming remarks at the ceremony.

Valery Crayton led the Pledge of Allegiance. Martha de los Reyes sang the National Anthem. Cecilia Melendez read Gov.

Charlie Baker's Proclamation in honor of Veterans Day.

Ward 3 Councillor Naomi Zabot presented the Council Resolution for Veterans Day.

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley and Chelsea Soldiers Home Superintendent Eric Johnson delivered the guest speaking addresses at the ceremony.

Robinson thanked the residents of Chelsea for their continuing support of the many veterans who reside in the city.



District 8 Councillor Calvin Brown and School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle.



Chelsea Soldiers Home Superintendent Eric Johnson speaks at the Veterans Day program.



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley delivers her remarks at the Chelsea Veterans Day program Nov. 11 at City Hall.



Councillor-at-Large and U.S. Army veteran Leo Robinson was the leader of the speaking program at the Chelsea's Veterans Day program Nov. 11 at City Hall.



District 3 Councillor Naomi Zabot and her sister, Devra Zabot.



Jon Pavlos and retiring Chelsea School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle.



Supt. of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle, and Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley.



Some of the dignitaries in attendance at the Chelsea Veterans Day ceremony at City Hall, School Committee member Roberto Jimenez Rivera, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Supt. of Chelsea Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle, and District 1 Councillor Todd Taylor.



City officials and dignitaries are pictured at the Chelsea Veterans Day ceremony that was held in the City Council Chambers. From left, are District 3 Councillor Naomi Zabot, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, Director Veterans Services Francisco Toro, City Council President Roy Avellaneda, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, School Committee member Roberto Jimenez Rivera, District 1 Councillor Todd Taylor, Chelsea Soldiers' Home Superintendent Eric Johnson, and School Committee member Rosemarie Carlisle.



Superintendent of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, with Chelsea High students Cecilia Melendez, Valery Crayton, and Martha de los Reyes, who participated in the Veterans Day program.



Director of Veterans Services Francisco Toro with family, Leticia Ortiz, Alejandra Ortiz, and Ava Benson.



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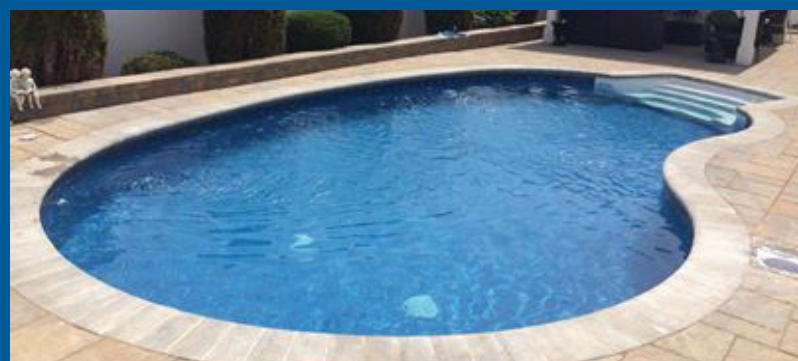
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Sábado, Noviembre 27	8:30 am – 12:00 pm	8:00 am – 4:00 pm

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