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Children's cartoon characters were on hand to greet the students who came to get a vaccine.



Veronica Dyer-Medina with her son, Rudy Medina

CPS hosts pediatric COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

Special to The Record

Chelsea Public Schools, in conjunction with its partners Mass General Brigham, the Kraft Center for Community Health and the City of Chelsea, hosted a pediatric COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the Mary C. Burke Elementary Complex on Saturday, November 20. More than 200 Chelsea community members arrived at the clinic to receive their first dose, many of whom lined up early outside the Elementary Complex beginning at 12:30.

The clinic was open to Chelsea residents from 1:00-5:00pm, where any resident could walk-up to receive a free vaccine, regardless of insurance or immigration status. The students were greeted by the mascots of their elementary schools as Berky

(Berkowitz School), Oswald the Owl (Hooks School), Kelly the Dolphin (Kelly School) and Finn the Shark (Sokolowski School) cheered kids on who received their vaccine.

Afterwards, prizes were available for children to choose from along with gift cards for families. "It was so nice to see so many members of our community come out to our pediatric vaccination clinic," commented Superintendent Dr. Almi G. Abeyta. "Schools are a familiar and trusted space and are ideal locations to help administer vaccines rapidly and efficiently.

We created a fun environment for our kids to come to school, see their mascots, receive prizes and toys, and get their vaccine. Now that our elementary students

can receive the vaccine, we want to encourage as many families as possible to get their kids vaccinated. It's the best way to keep our schools safe.""It was great to be able to partner with Chelsea Public Schools to offer a pediatric COVID-19 vaccination clinic for Chelsea kids and families,'

City Manager Tom Ambrosino said. "From the City's clinic at the Senior Center, to the mobile clinics offered by La Colaborativa and now these clinics at our schools, we want to make free COVID-19 vaccines readily available to as many Chelsea residents as possible." Parents and families of CPS were invited to bring their children, ages 5-11, to the clinic where they could receive the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine. The mobile vaccination

clinic from MGB and the Kraft Center administered first doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for kids, which the CDC recommended for use in the beginning of November.

A follow-up clinic will be held at the Elementary Complex on Saturday, Dec. 11, for those who attended last Saturday's clinic to receive their second dose. Free COVID-19 vaccinations, including the regular vaccine (ages 12+), the pediatric vaccine (ages 5-11) and booster shots remain routinely available for Chelsea residents at the Chelsea Senior Center every week-(Friday-Monday). Additionally, every Tuesday from 3:00-7:00pm, La Colaborativa will have the MGB Mobile Vaccination Clinic at their food distribution site on Sixth Street.



Parents and students wait in line for their vaccinations.

Council approves sale of Salvation Army building

By Adam Swift

The City Council recently gave its approval to the proposed sale of the former Salvation Army building at 440 Broadway to the Traggorth Companies for the development of affordable housing.

The city purchased the property several years ago for \$1.3 million, and is looking to sell it for \$1,150,000 to Traggorth to build 28 units of affordable housing, 18 of which

will be rental units and the remaining 10 will be for home ownership. In addition, there will be retail space on the first floor for a communal kitchen for local entrepreneurs to develop their businesses.

"Our goal when we put this on the market and when we put this out for proposals was not to maximize our sale price, that was not the goal,"

said City Manager Thom-

as Ambrosino. "The goal

was to get a good afford-

able housing development, we were not particularly concerned about the sale price. In fact, this sale price is much higher than certainly I anticipated." Ambrosino said the re-

quest for proposals was structured to entice affordable home ownership and that city officials knew that could drive down the sale price.

District 5 Councillor Judith Garcia said she was in favor of the project and

thanked Ambrosino and

the city administration for working hard to add affordable housing units in the city.

"This project does not only address the need for affordable rental units, but also addresses the need for more home ownership opportunities," said Garcia. "We have a mix of studios, two-bedroom, and three-bedroom apartments that really speak to the needs of families here.

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Mask Mandate **Starts Friday**

Chelsea Board requires masks for all Indoor Public Spaces

Special to The Record

The Chelsea Board of Health has implemented an Indoor Mask Mandate for all Indoor Public Spaces. The order goes into effect this Friday, December 3, at 5:00am. This emergency order is part of a continued effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in the Chelsea community.

Masks and face coverings are one of the most effective ways to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. This order applies to all public spaces within private businesses as well as to public spaces located within public buildings. A mask mandate had already been in place at Chelsea City Hall, the Chelsea Public Library, the Chelsea Senior Center and Chelsea Public Schools.

The indoor mask mandate is another layer of protection for Chelsea residents as public health officials continue to monitor the impacts of

COVID-19. Vaccinations continue to be available to Chelsea residents for free at the Chelsea Senior Center. The Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson vaccine, the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine (ages 5-11) and COVID-19 booster shots (ages 18+) are all available. Any resident can receive the vaccine for free, regardless of immigration status.

In the community, La Colaborativa hosts a mobile vaccination clinic every Tuesday at its 318 Broadway location from 4:00-7:00pm. The mobile clinic will be open until Tuesday, Dec. 14. Chelsea Public Schools will have a Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 1:00-5:00pm at the Mary C. Burke Elementary Com-

COVID-19 testing also remains available for free for Chelsea residents at Saint Rose School on 580

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City gets good news on budget

The city will not have to dip into its free cash reserve in order to balance the \$196 million Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

Last week, the City Council approved City Manager Thomas Ambrosino's request to reduce the use of free cash in the FY22 budget from \$892,092 to zero.

"We no longer need any free cash to balance the FY22 budget," stated Ambrosino. "At the time I submitted to the council an FY22 budget in early May of 2021, I anticipated that we would need some free cash to balance the budget."

The proposed budget was premised upon anticipated revenue from new growth in the city coming in at \$1 million, but the financial picture ended up being a lot brighter.

"Our actual new growth for FY22 submitted to the Department of Revenue is more than \$3.9 million," Ambrosino stated. "Because this new growth number is far in excess of what we anticipated at the time of the budget submission, there is no longer any need to utilize free cash reserves to balance the FY22 budget."

In other financial business, the council also approved a five-year contract with software firm CentralSquare for a new Computer Aided Dispatch and Records Management System (CAD/RMS). The cost of the new system for emergency responses

is \$144,950.75 annually with a total five-year cost of \$724,753.75, according to Ambrosino.

The emergency management, IT, and police and fire departments have been involved in a lengthy process to secure a new dispatch and records management system over the past year, Ambrosino said.

"The current system is long past its useful life," said Ambrosino. "After a lengthy RFP process, the city selected CentralSquare as its vendor. CentralSquare is offering an advantageous fixed. flat annual fee for its new CAD/RMS system provided the city agrees to a five-year contract."

Funding for the first two years of the contract has already been approved in a previous Capital Improvement Plan and through free cash appropriations, the city manager stated.

Ambrosino said it will likely take nine to 12 months to complete all the data migration and training for the new system.

Florida-based CentralSquare provides public sector software for local governments across North America.



WESTERN FRONT CHELSEA'S FIRST RECREATIONAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY HOSTS 'GREEN WEDNESDAY'

Western Front is located at 121 Webster Avenue in Chelsea, open every day, Monday – Saturday 10am-9pm, Sundays 10am-5pm. 21 years of age is a requirement, orders can be taken online or by appointment. Info can be obtained at westernfrontus.com or by calling 617-466-0255. Western Front also offers membership to a "Smokers Club" giving it's members access to specials and

promos at the location.

The Western Front Art Gallery gives local artists a chance to show-off their latest creations, allowing artists to place a painting or their latest creation in the gallery for a month. Artists can contact Western Front about the details.

Recently Western Front hosted a night entertainment for its clients, featuring music and poetry.



Joceline Pires a four-month employee, greets customers with a smile and is ready to help with your purchases.



Western Front offers a full line of accessories for the recreational consumer.



Western Front's sitting and educational room for clients to sit and get caught up on the latest cannabis information available.



Bobby Boyd (right) Asst. General Manager is shown with Western Front's entertainment, Caleaf "Big Leaf" Sellers, Liza "Luna Del Flor" Zayas, and Leo "Playroom Boston" Alarcon.



Kimberly Cormier offering free cannabis free samples, giving customers a chance to taste the edible before purchasing.



Western Front's Art Gallery has a 30 day rotation to display art from local artists.

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Broadway. The indoors testing center is open Monday-Sunday from 1:00-5:00pm.The indoors testing center is open Monday-Sunday from

1:00-5:00pm. Read more at https:// www.chelseama.gov/ home/news/board-healthimplements-mask-mandate-all-indoor-public-

La Junta de Salud de Chelsea ha implementado un mandato uso de mascarrillas para todos los espacios p√∫blicos interiores. La orden entra en vigencia este viernes 3 de diciembre de 2021 a las 5:00 am. Esta orden de emergencia es parte de un esfuerzo continuo para mitigar la propagación de COVID-19 en la comunidad de Chelsea.

Las mascarrillas y cubiertas faciales son una de las formas m√°s efectivas de mitigar la propagación de COVID-19.

Esta orden se aplica a todos los espacios p√∫blicos dentro de las empresas privadas, así como a los espacios p√∫blicos ubicados dentro de los edificios p√∫blicos. Ya se había implementado un en el City Hall, la Biblioteca P√sblica, el Centro para Personas Mayores y las Escuelas P√∫blicas de Chelsea.

El mandato de mascarilla en interiores es otra medida de protección para los residentes de Chelsea mientras los funcionarios de salud p√∫blica contin√∫an monitoreando los impactos del COVID-19.

Las vacunas siguen estando disponibles para los residentes de Chelsea en el Chelsea Senior Center. Las vacunas Pfizer, Moderna y Johnson & Johnson, la vacuna pedi√otrica COVID-19 (de 5 a 11 a $\sqrt{\pm}$ os) y las inyecciones de refuerzo de COVID-19 (mayores



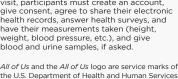
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En la comunidad, La Colaborativa alberga una clínica m√≥vil de cunación todos los martes en su ubicación 318 Broadway de 4: 00-7: 00 pm. La clínica m√≥vil estar√° abierta hasta el martes 14 de diciembre. Las Escuelas P√∫blicas de Chelsea tendr√on una Clínica de Vacunaci√≥n Pedi√otrica COVID-19 el s√°bado 11 de diciembre de 1: 00-5: 00pm en el Complejo Primario Mary C. Burke.

Las pruebas COVID-19 también est√°n disponibles de forma gratuita para los residentes de Chelsea en la escuela Santa Rosa en 580 Broadway. El centro de pruebas en interiores est√o abierto de lunes a domingo de 1pm a 5pm.

Lea m√°s en https:// www.chelseama.gov/ home/news/board-healthimplements-mask-mandate-all-indoor-public-

NEW CHELSEA ROTARIAN



The Chelsea Rotary welcomed their newest member, Dr. Aaron Jennings (left), Diversity, Inclusion and Equity Officer of Chelsea Public Schools. Shown from left are Dr. Aaron Jennings, Dr. Almi Abeyta, Alan Alpert and Rick Gopen.

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Anything that involves offering a mix of options to our families that is affordable is important."

Garcia said the commercial component of the project with the communal kitchen space is also important.

"Entrepreneurs here in Chelsea can have the opportunity to really show-

case their talents with food and any sort of entrepreneurship activities that they really wish to engage in without having to worry about the high cost of renting a space on their own," said Garcia. "This is a triple impact opportunity for us to support local entrepreneurs, many of them at the base level, and it's also an opportunity to support affordable homes with a mix of affordable homes that are not only rental units but also home ownership opportunities."

Council President Roy Avellaneda said the 10 home ownership units will be sold at 80 percent of the Greater Boston area Annual Median Income (AMI), while the rental units will be offered at 50 percent and below AMI.

As part of the deal with the city, Traggorth would also rehabilitate and extend the affordability of 17 units of affordable housing it owns at 466 Broadway.

Ambrosino has stated that the project is consistent with Chelsea's affordable housing and development economic objectives, specifically to spur affordable home ownership, enhance the vitality of the Broadway corridor, and provide a range of housing types for residents.

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Pictured at Eastern Bank's 2021 Celebration of Social Justice are left to right: Quincy Miller, Vice Chair and President of Eastern Bank; Nancy Huntington Stager, President and CEO of the Eastern Bank Foundation; Gladys Vega, Executive Director of La Colaborativa and 2021 Social Justice Award Honoree; and Bob Rivers, CEO and Chair of the Board of Eastern Bank.

Eastern Bank Foundation honors Vega as its 2021 Social Justice Award Honoree

Special to The Record

Eastern Bank Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Boston-based Eastern Bank, is pleased to announce it has honored Gladys Vega, Executive Director of La Colaborativa, with the 2021 Social Justice Award. The award, now in its 33rd year, recognizes community leaders who have made an outstanding impact in addressing critical social justice issues.

A pioneering community organizer and advocate, Gladys works relentlessly and boldly to ensure the Latine community has a voice in determining how its needs and concerns are addressed. Gladys believes that empowering individuals leads to empowering communities, and that an empowered community can use social action to achieve its goals.

Gladys joined La Colaborativa in 1990, two years after its founding, as a Receptionist and since 2006, she has served as its Executive Director. With her leadership, La Colaborativa serves as a consistent, trusted and fearless partner to the Latine community in Greater Boston, with a focus on Gateway Cities and towns such as Chelsea, East Boston, Everett, Lynn, Revere and Malden. La Colaborativa partners with residents to drive policy and system changes that benefit Latine communities in such areas as food and housing security, economic advancement, cultural celebration and community leadership. It serves as a trusted resource to Massachusetts' immigrant community, including newly-arrived immigrants, undocumented families, and low-income

tenants and workers.
Gladys is the architect of nearly all of La Colaborativa's programs, initiatives and community organizing campaigns:

Her leadership has resulted in expanded

low-income families, tenants, workers, youth and people of color Massachusetts. across When the COVID-19 pandemic created overlapping public health, unemployment, ing and hunger crises in Chelsea and surrounding areas, Gladys' leadership positioned La Colaborativa at the forefront of state and local efforts to meet the tremendous needs of Latine residents Massachusetts. La Colaborativa's model for community health distribution through local leadership, grassroots outreach and community participation led to communities in Massachusetts, which once had the highest COVID-19 transmission rates, transforming to have among the highest vaccination rates. La Colaborativa's team went door-to-door neighbor-to-neighbor, to reach individuals and families with information about resources available to them and the importance of getting vaccinated. In other areas of support, La Colaborativa created a pop-up food pantry – on the front porch of Gladys' home - providing over 10,000 pounds of food to the community. "Gladys has inspired us all through her grit, determination, resilience and leadership, especially as she was working at the epicenter of the worst COVID-19 outbreak in Massachusetts and New England," said Nancy Huntington Stager, President and CEO of the Eastern Bank Foundation. "She is an extraordinary leader and community trailblazer who leads by example and continues to be a social justice champion. She empowers individuals to realize they can affect change and make

with the 2021 Social Justice Award."

tice Award." "During the pandemic, immigrant communities became hot spots for the rapid spread of the COVID-19 virus, revealing gross inequities in our safety net systems, and the team at La Colaborativa does all that we can to ensure families and individuals are not left behind or left alone," said Gladys Vega, Executive Director of La Colaborativa. "We continue to help people get through this pandemic - to keep families and children fed and safely housed, and to provide the medical care and vaccines to protect them and the workers' rights to sustain their livelihoods. We are especially honored to receive the 2021 Social Justice Award from the Eastern Bank Foundation because it understands all too well that relationships and trust in the community are always necessary to create justice, equality and opportunity and especially

during a pandemic."

Since the start of the pandemic, Eastern Bank Foundation has provided more than \$15 million in local COVID-19 relief. This year's Social Justice Award was presented during a virtual Celebration of Justice event attended by more than 500

community leaders. About Eastern Bank

Foundation Created in 1994, the Eastern Bank Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Boston-based Eastern Bank. Through philanthropy, employee volunteerism, advocacy and collaborations with other businesses and community partners, Eastern Bank Foundation responds to community needs and supports sustainable solutions to our communities' most vexing challenges across eastern Massachusetts, southern and coastal New Hampshire, and Rhode Island. To learn more, visit easternbank.com/founda-

PEOPLE OF CHELSEA

Daniela Perez Lopez - April 20, 2021

The following is one in a series of sneak peeks at the upcoming People of Chelsea additions by Chelsea Photographer Darlene DeVita. The new work will ultimately appear on the fence of the Chelsea Public Library (CPL) Spring of 2022 a collaboration between the People of Chelsea project and the CPL.)

By Darlene DeVita

"I've been living here for my whole life, 15 yrs. My parents are from Guatemala. My dad came to the US at the age of 16.

My dad didn't have family here, but now he does. He came here walking across the border. He lived in Boston for a few years. Then he moved here to Chelsea. went back to Guatemala at the age of 42, met my mom, and brought her here. My dad is from the countryside. My mom is from Guatemala City. He worked both day and night jobs; as a custodian in the elementary school and then at State Garden (near Market Basket). He'd get a 2-hour rest in between.

After that, my dad only did a day job as the custodian. My mom is now working. She used to work in Charlestown, but now, because of COVID, they had to send everyone home. She ended up finding a mid-term job over at MGH as a custodian.

I have three siblings a younger brother and two sisters. I'm the oldest. I also have a stepbrother who lives in Revere. Right now, we own a house. We rented for 14 vrs.

I'm in 9th grade at Chelsea High. I used to work a summer job for



La Colaborativa. We did door-knocking for the census and voting. We would go up to people walking on the streets and ask if they have time to fill it out. Or we would go to houses and ask them if they filled out the census, and if they haven't, we would tell them not to be afraid because the census doesn't ask for immigrant status or anything like that, nothing to do with ICE...we just need a count of people of Chelsea.

My dream school is to go to Harvard and be in business administration, to own a company or be a CEO of something. I was always great with math. I was always an A and B student throughout my entire life, but since high school, my first semester was kinda bad. I had to stay home to take care of my siblings. My parents both work in the morning, and my dad gets home at 3PM. Since I'm the oldest, I'm in charge of taking care of my three siblings. But it's mostly my brother (13) taking care of himself and not helping me. So I'm primarily in charge of my two sisters (9 and 5). Helping my youngest

sister go to school, and keeping an eye on her, so she doesn't bother the other one. I also have to take care of the other sister to stay in school and not bother my little sister. I have to resolve the problems because I don't want to call my dad because I know he's busy

cause I know he's busy. School gave us chrome books; my youngest sister has a tablet, and me and my brother and sister have laptops. They opened middle and elementary schools. They haven't decided on the high schools yet. I got in trouble twice with my teachers. They asked me in the private message why didn't you do this or that, and I had to explain to them that this is not an excuse and that I had to do something for my sisters if they want something, I have to provide. They have different lunchtimes. I go from 11:22 to 11:50 for lunch. One sister goes around 10:50P, and my other sister goes from 11 - 11:25. My teachers know that I have siblings, but they're annoyed hearing my excuses. BUT, I'm improving! I'm in honor classes

now!"
Way to Go Daniela!!!



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PEARL HARBOR WAS **80 YEARS AGO**

It was 80 years ago this coming week that the nation of Japan launched its attack on the United States at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii on December 7, 1941.

The very next day, President Franklin D. Roosevelt convened a joint session of Congress in which he famously declared the attack as, "A day that will live in infamy," and asked Congress for a Declaration of War against Japan.

Germany and Italy, allies of the Japanese who collectively were known as the Axis, then declared war on the U.S., setting the stage for what would become the largest conflagration in world history.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans would die in battlefronts stretching from the European continent to the jungle islands of the Pacific over the next three and one-half years before the German and Japanese war machines finally were subdued.

had stayed out of the war that already had engulfed most of the rest of the world in the aftermath of the German invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939. By the time of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor,

For more than two years prior to the attack, America

Hitler's Nazis had conquered all of continental Europe and much of Africa, while the Japanese had invaded almost all of Asia, save for the U.S. outposts in the Philippines and other small islands in the Pacific.

Americans clung to the belief that our isolation, separated from the rest of the world by two oceans, would keep us out of the war. Americans had no appetite for re-engaging in another conflict just 23 years removed from the memories of World War I that still were fresh in our nation's psyche.

But after Pearl Harbor, we no longer could keep our heads buried in the sand. Although America had re-instituted the draft some months prior to Pearl Harbor and had ramped up our military production capabilities, the suddenness of the Japanese attack still came as a shock to every American.

Americans realized that thanks to the capabilities of modern armaments such as Japanese aircraft carriers and German U-boats, even the continental United States was not insulated from attack by a foreign enemy. Citizens on the West Coast braced for a Japanese invasion in the aftermath of Pearl Harbor and curfews were instituted on the Eastern Seaboard.

Thanks to the countless number of documentaries and movies over the past 20 years that tell the stories of the brave Americans who fought in WWII, we are fortunate to have a living history of the sacrifices made by The Greatest Generation.

The lessons of Pearl Harbor are many, but chief among them is that freedom isn't free -- and that we always must be vigilant to recognize the forces of evil that seek to destroy our way of life.

HAPPY HANUKKAH

The eight-day observance of Hanukkah, also known as the Festival of Lights, started this past Sunday evening and will culminate this coming Monday, December

Hanukkah is observed for eight nights and days by lighting the candles of the Menorah, one on each day of the eight-day celebration. (The Menorah itself consists of nine candles, one of which typically stands above the rest and is used to light the other eight.)

In summary, Hanukkah commemorates the victory of the Maccabees -- a group of fierce warriors who used guerilla tactics against an occupying army -- in 166 BCE when the Maccabees liberated the Jewish people from the Greek-based rulers who essentially had outlawed the Jewish religion.

When the triumphant Maccabees captured the city of Jerusalem, they quickly entered the Holy Temple, tossing out the images of the Greek gods that had been installed there by the occupying rulers.

When the Maccabees went to light the Menorah candles in the Temple, they thought they only had one day's worth of oil. However, the lights remained lit for eight days -- hence the miracle of the Festival of Lights. Although Hanukkah celebrations this year will be much more subdued than is typical because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we want to take the opportunity to wish our friends and readers of the Jewish community a happy, healthy, and meaningful Hanukkah season.

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GUEST OP-ED

Surviving a pulmonary embolism

Dr. Glenn Mollette

On Saturday, October 2 I had to go to the hospital emergency room. The prior Tuesday I had an unusual leg spasm from my left thigh to my groin area. I've had pulled muscles from sports off and on and thought it was from exercise or just sitting weird in my recliner.

By later Wednesday I noticed an occasional cough that felt strange. On Thursday I called my family doctor's office and reported I was coughing occasionally and didn't feel right. I was told by the receptionist, "We aren't seeing sick people and the doctor thinks you should have a Covid test." I went for the test which came back negative.

On Friday evening my wife and I took a casual walk around the block of our neighborhood and I was breathing heavy from a simple walk. I knew there was something going on. I checked my heart rate and it was 85 beats per minute. Typically, it's between 60 and 65 bpm when resting. Thirty minutes later I checked it again and the resting rate

I spent Friday evening checking my blood pressure and heart rate. The blood pressure was averaging about 150 over 100 which is really high for me and my heart rate was staying between 85 to 95 bpm.

By Saturday morning, I had to

go to the emergency room knowing I was in trouble. After a CT scan and ultra sound imaging I was diagnosed with a massive blood clot in my left lung also known as a Pulmonary Embolism. Three doctors worked with me from 6 AM until 6 PM to save my life. They told me if I had waited one more day my story would be very different. I spent the day in the emergency room and the rest of the weekend in Intensive care forbidden to get out of bed. After a heavy dose of Heparin blood thinner and a bottle of daily medication to consume I was released from the hospital to slowly resume life.

There are reports that upward to 180,000 people in the United States die every year from Pulmonary Embolisms. This is more people than the number of people dying from breast cancer, car wrecks and HIV altogether.

Being in the emergency room wondering if I was going to live was scary to say the least. I worried about my wife and children. I knew they would have to make funeral arrangements and this made me feel bad for them.

My new theme is a recommitment to keeping the feet moving. It's an easy thing to do. While traveling flex the feet. Stretch the legs. Put them up whenever possible. Raise the knees up and down. Look for every possible opportunity to walk.

When driving now it's a brief stop every hour for a five-minute stretch or walk. It slows the trip down, but I want to show up eventually than not at all.

I'm writing this because I want you to be aware of your body. Invest in a blood pressure cuff and a finger oxygen/heart rate monitor. Know what your typical numbers are so that you can know when your numbers aren't right and you need to seek medical attention.

Unfortunately, I know people who are no longer in this world because of a Pulmonary Embolism. They sneak up on us. The beginning signs of pain or swelling in your leg are often ignored by most people - including me. However, things can change quickly and this is why if this happens you must go to the nearest hospital emergency room to be checked out. It could save your life. Very fortunately, it did for me. One more day of waiting and it would have been too late. Don't ignore the warning signs.

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GUEST OP-ED

Congratulations, Brian Kelly

By Andrew Quigley Jr.

For those of us who have followed the career of Chelsea native Brian Kelly as he has ascended the ranks over the past 30 years to rate among the top-tier of college football coaches, this week's announcement that Brian has been named the head coach of the Louisiana State University Tigers comes as no surprise.

To be sure, there were many who felt that Kelly had found a home for life, so to speak, as the head coach at Notre Dame -considered by many to be the premier college football coaching job in the country -- where he has coached since 2010.

But the reality of college football these days is that the Southeastern Conference -- consisting of schools such as Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, Auburn, LSU, and Ole Miss, among others -- is the pre-eminent college football conference in the nation.

Although Brian has achieved great success at Notre Dame, where he has become the Irish's all-time winningest coach with a record of 113-40, we're sure that the opportunity to go up against Nick Saban of Alabama and the other SEC coaches proved to be an irresistible challenge for coach Kelly. (As well, we might add, as did the offer of a 10-year, \$95 million contract.)

For those of us who call Chelsea our home, and who recall Brian's dad, former Ward 3 Alderman Paul Kelly, who served in the era of the late 1960s-early 70s before moving his family to Everett (from where Brian, who is 60 years old, went to high school at St. John's Prep in Danvers), there is no doubt that the

chance to compete at the

very-highest echelon of his profession proved irresistible.

That fire and desire in coach Kelly's Chelsea-bred personality was captured well in a profile of Brian in the New York Times in 2007, when he was the head coach at Cincinnati:

"Brian Kelly appeared destined for a career in politics. He grew up campaigning for his father, an alderman in Chelsea, Mass., and worked for Gary Hart's 1984 presidential campaign.

"Kelly, now the football coach at Cincinnati, spent much of his life appealing to voters.

" 'Even when he was quite young he would go out with me on the weekends, and go off and think nothing of knocking on someone's door to give them a leaflet'," Paul Kelly said of his son.

"Who knew that training in politics would also be perfect for a career in coaching? But Brian Kelly's engaging personality, political skill, and public speaking ability make him an ideal modern coach. In his first full season at Cincinnati, he is as comfortable giving orders on the sideline as he is mingling with alumni donors or sitting in a recruit's living room.

" 'It's the reaching out'," Kelly said of the similarities between politicians and head coaches. "'You have to go door-todoor to get votes. It's the

same thing taking ownership of a program'." We know we join with all of our fellow long-

time residents in wishing Brian Kelly well in his new endeavor. His story is typical of so many others who had their roots in Chelsea and who epito-

Plus, for those of us

done good."

Senior Sales Associates Kathleen Bright mize the well-known saying, "Local boy (or girl)

The Kelly's Have A Stake In ON THE BALLOT **Alderman Ward Three**

Brian Kelly (far right) as a young boy with his family in a campaign leaflet for his father, former Ward 3 Alderman Paul Kelly, in the late 1960s.

who are college football fans, we'll now have a

new team to root for. Geaux Tigers!

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SURPRISE 70TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DANNY ROBINSON



Danny Robinson (right) and one of his best friends, Wayne Mahon.



Guests at the party, Danny's relatives Dale Johnson and Christina Nieves.

Former Chelsea resident Danny Robinson was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party Nov. 18 at the Mount Vernon Restaurant in Somerville.

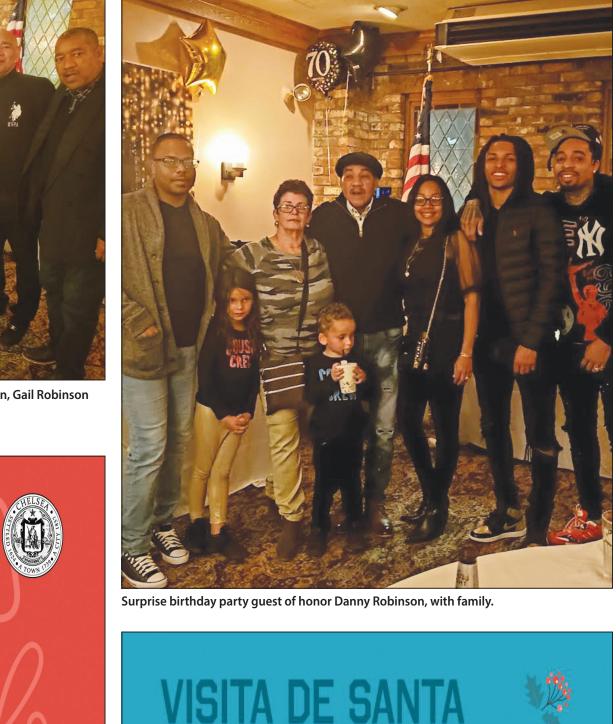
Danny grew up on Arlington Street and attended Williams School where he played basketball for the school team. He is the son of the late Walter and Lucy Robinson.

Among those celebrating with Danny were his siblings, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Ronald Robinson, Gail Robinson Mauch, Arlene Robinson, and Jody Robinson.

He was also joined at the party by his cousins, Joanne Lee-Nieves, one of the area's greatest high school basketball coaches. Wayne Mahon, a retired engineer from General Electric, Dale Johnson, former Chelsea resident and basketball and football standout at Chelsea High School, and Christina Nieves.



Ronald Robinson, Joanne Lee-Nieves, Danny Robinson, Arlene Robinson, Gail Robinson Mauch, Michelle Lee Costa, Jody Robinson, and Leo Robinson.

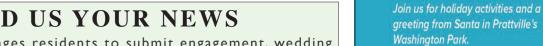




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THE CITY OF CHELSEA CELEBRATES CHANUKAH WITH LIGHTING OF MENORAH IN CHELSEA SQUARE

Sunday Last night marked the first night of Chanukah and City Manager Tom Abrosino as well as local elected officials joined Rabbi Sruli Baron in Chelsea Square for the ceremonial lighting of the Menorah.



City Councillor Leo Robinson with Rabbi Baron.



City Manager Tom Ambrosino welcomes guests to Chelsea Square.



As the crowd gathered in Chelsea Square, Rabbi Sruli Baron welcomes everyone and wishes them a Happy Chanukah. The Rabbi had free Menorahs for people to take to have one in their home for the holiday.



City Manager Tom Ambrosino greets Rabbi Sruli Baron.



President of the Walnut Street Synagogue, Ed Mederos addressed the gathering in Chel-



Carol Burke and Ester Berkowitz from Temple Emanuel wished all a happy holiday.

Hannukan

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THE CITY OF CHELSEA CELEBRATES CHANUKAH WITH LIGHTING OF MENORAH IN CHELSEA SQUARE



Happy Chanukah from Mendy and Chezzy Baron.



City Manager Tom Ambrosino and elected officials, Leo Robinson, Naomi Zabot and Mimi Graney lit the first candle, the shamash, the candle used to light the other eight candles

833 households in Chelsea received \$5.9 Million in emergency rental assistance in FY21

Special To The Record

Since 2013, Metro Housing|Boston has documented the effectiveness of Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT), a homelessness prevention program for households with low incomes that are experiencing a housing crisis.

However, the pandemic has changed the face of RAFT as two additional programs built on and expanded the program's reach. Emergency Housing Payment Assistance, or EHPA, became a housing lifeline for 10,251 families in Metro Housing's region, providing more than \$63 million in assistance during FY21. By comparison, FY20 saw 1,805 households receive a total of \$5.1 million in assistance.

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pact of the pandemic on the infusion of state and federal funds, the expansion of eligibility to access those funds, the streamlining of the application process, and quicker release of dollars. These changes resulted in a complete shift in Metro Housing's housing payment assistance programs, requiring greater flexibility and increased staff capacity.

"Metro Housing and our regional housing agencies have helped tens of thousands of Massachusetts families during an unprecedented, international health crisis," said Housing and Community Development Undersecretary Jennifer Maddox. "We are proud to work with dedicated partners to transform our rental assistance program to respond to immense need and increase supportive resources to help households avoid eviction and remain Housing serves or served as an administering agent community-based housing emergency assistance.

Partnerships with community-based organizations provided another valuable way to assist more families in Metro Housing's region in FY21. Partnerships with the Action for Boston Community Development, Asian Community Development Corporation, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, The Neighborhood Developers (TND)/ CONNECT, WATCH, and Vietnamese American Initiative for Development (VietAID) provided not only venues for getting the word out about available assistance, but also provided places for people to complete applications and get assistance with language barrier issues.

"The pandemic hit TND's communities of ro Housing became the bedrock of our response. With their support, our team took on the responsibility to assist tenants in filling out rental assistance applications, Metro Housing staff trained our team, and jointly we developed systems for working together."

Key Findings from EHPA in Review FY2020:

The average housing assistance benefit increased from \$2,832 in FY20 to \$6,167 in FY21. Mortgage assistance in

FY21 totaled \$2.5 million, a significant increase from the \$61,444 in FY20. In FY21, Metro Hous-

ing provided \$43.5 million in rental arrear assistance, a 1400 percent increase over FY20. Total rental stipend as-

sistance increased to 22 percent of all EHPA assistance, totaling more than \$13 million. In FY20, it represented only 3 percent of assistance. Black/African Ameri-

can household participation tripled in the course of one year, to more than 3,400 families. Hispanic participation household increased six-fold to nearly 3,300. And non-Hispanic White participation increased approximately eight-fold to more than 2,400 families.

"COVID-19 has impacted all of us in so many ways, but none as severe as families with low incomes not being able to pay your rent or mortgage while facing eviction or foreclosure," said Chris Norris, Executive Director of Metro HousinglBoston. "Many individuals and families have remained housed during the pandemic not only because of the dedication and flexibility of our staff, but also of DHCD administrators, service providers,

advocates, and local municipalities. The data in this report shows the need for a more sustainable solution, from additional rental assistance vouchers and the production of below-market-rate housing, to the critical

shortage of affordable housing in the metro Boston area."

To access the full report, visit bit.ly/EHPARe-

Serving more than 25,000 households annually, Metro Housingl-Boston is dedicated to mobilizing wide-ranging resources to provide innovative and personalized services that assist families in avoiding homelessness, maintain housing stability, and achieve economic security. With more than 30 years' experience piloting and implementing housing programs, it has solidified their position as an industry-leading expert on navigating the affordable housing field. Metro HousinglBoston is committed to making sure that every person in Greater Boston will always have a place to call home. Visit www.metrohousingboston.org, facebook.com/ MetroHousingBoston, or follow on Twitter at @

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

MISSING COUNCILORS **DELAY VOTE**

EVERETT - Lack of attendance by four members of the City Council caused a postponement of action on several ordinances including the new ordinance on a plastic bag ban at Monday night's meeting.

Other orders that needed to be delayed included an order to raise and appropriate \$2,815 for ECTV and an order to raise and appropriate \$686.015 for the general fund. A vital Zoning Ordinance change for the lower Broadway district also was caught up in the delay.

The issue of holding councillors accountable for missed meetings was discussed in an order proposed by Councillor Stephanie Martins.

However, Ward Councillor Rosa DiFlorio opposed the motion.

"I am against this," said DiFlorio. "We should let voters make the decision." Councillors John F.

Hanlon and Anthony DiPierro also were also against the motion, with Hanlon saying, "There has never been a need for an ordinance like this in 100 years." The motion was referred back to the spon-

A motion to delete the controversial longevity and bonus pay for the office of mayor also was referred back to the sponsor, Ward 1 Councillor Fred Capone, who has tested positive for COVID 19 and was unable to attend the meeting. Further complicating the motion was that there was no recommendation from the sub-committee.

DiPierro, speaking on the motion, said that the commendation pay "rewards the individual. There are longevity rewards in a city like Revere, for example. We have three and half years to act on this."

Councilor Jimmy Tri Le said, "We should lay this on the table until (Councilor) Capone comes back."

On the other hand, Councilor Michael

Marchese thought waiting four years to redo the ordinance "is absurd."

National Grid granted permission to lay new gas pipes under the sidewalks on the northeast side of Hancock Street between Highland Avenue and Belmont Street.

DiFlorio voiced a warning that "the sidewalks should be returned to the City in 'as is' condition." She also said that baiting of the neighborhood for rodents should be part of the condition.

The pipes will be laid out in the coming weeks and then asphalt will be used to make the sidewalks passable until the spring, at which time all of the concrete panels will be replaced in full, according to the spokesperson from National Grid.

In another motion, councillors approved the following equipment as surplus and to be sold off:

That the Everett City Council hereby declares the following DPW vehicles as surplus 2009 Freightliner – 6 Wheel Dump Truck Needs a new engine, wiring harness and has electrical issues. Estimated cost over \$20,000 to fix. Body is rotting. 2005 International – 6 Wheel Dump Truck needs new brakes. H as electrical issues and body is rotting. Estimated cost of repairs is \$15,000 or more. 2005. International 6 Wheel Dump Truck needs a new motor, has electrical issues and body is rotting. Estimated cost of repairs is over. \$20,000. 2010 Komatsu Backhoe has fuel issues, hydraulic issues, needs a new motor, and has electrical issues. Does not meet current DOT safety standards and will not pass an inspection. 2009 Ford F-250-4WD pick up needs repairs to turbos, injectors, front end ball joints and U-Joints, Motor currently leaks and needs to be replaced. Damage to the body. 2009 Ford F-250-4WD Pick Up needs a brand new motor, damage to body and a new computer. 2002 Jeep Liberty – needs a new engine.

value. 2007 Chevy Pickup Truck needs a new rear axle and full transmission rebuild. 2013 Ford Taurus needs a new engine. Estimated cost of repair exceeds value. 2000 Chevy Astro School Vehicle front end damage, body rust. Age of vehicle and estimated cost of repairs is not feasible. 2005 Ford Explorer needs a new transmission 2002 Chevy Tahoe - multiple issues, including engine and transmission replacement. Rust and body damage. Scrap value. 1999 Chevy Rack Body Truck - Multiple issues including no steering column, engine, rotted out body. Scrap val-

EARLY VOTING STARTS ON **SATURDAY**

EAST BOSTON - Last week the City of Boston's Election Department, with approval from the Boston City Council, set in-person early voting dates for the 1st Suffolk & Middlesex Senate Special Election Primary.

On Tuesday, December 14 District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards will square off against Revere School Committee member Anthony D'Ambrosio to fill the senate seat that was vacated by Joe Boncore earlier this fall.

However, Boston voters in the senatorial district, which includes East Boston, Revere, Winthrop, Bay Village, South End, Chinatown, Beacon Hill, and Cambridgeport, can begin voting Saturday, December 4 and early voting will last until Friday, December 10.

On Sunday December 4 registered voters in the senatorial district can vote at City Hall between 11 am and 7 pm. as well as neighborhood sites from 11 am to 7 pm.

Voters can again vote on Monday, December 6 from 9 am to 5 pm at City Hall and again on Tuesday, December 7 from 9 am to 8 pm as well as at neighborhood sites from 12 pm to 8 pm.

On Wednesday, De-

WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL'S CLASS OF 1961 REUNION AT THE HISTORIC WINTHROP ARMS



Last Saturday afternoon about 30 members of the WHS Class of 1961 gathered at the Winthrop Arms Restaurant for an afternoon of friendship and a great meal. Some of the classmates see each other on a regular basis but for some it was a welcomed homecoming.

cember 8 early voting will occur for the race at City Hall only from 9 am to 5 pm and again on Thursday, December 9 at City Hall from 9 am to 8 pm and at neighborhood sites from 12 pm to 8 am.

The final date of early voting for the senate race will be on Friday, December 10 from 9 am to 5 pm at City Hall.

The closest in-person early voting neighborhood site in East Boston is the BCYF Paris Street Community Center at 112 Paris

Residents in the senatorial district must register to vote before Wednesday, November 24 in order to be eligible to take part in the Special Election Pri-

Councilor Edwards, an East Boston resident, previously ran for the Senate seat after former State Senator Anthony Petrucelli left office in 2016. While unsuccessful in that race Edwards went on to run for the District One City Council seat, which includes Eastie, Charlestown, and the North End, the following year. She went on to win that race and has served on the council ever since.

D'Ambrosio, a Revere resident, got his start in politics in 2019 when he successfully ran for Revere School Committee, a citywide seat. He topped Revere's School Committee ticket in that race and had an impressive showing during his first run for political office.

For more information on local polling locations and important dates for the Primary visit, https:// www.boston.gov/departments/election.

NICHOLSON NAMES TRANSITION TEAM

LYNN - Mayor-Elect Jared Nicholson has announced the formation of a Transition Committee to advise his incoming Administration as well as the launch of a website to support his team's outreach and recruitment: www. lynnforallofus.com.

The Transition Committee will be co-chaired by Faustina Cuevas, the City's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer. and Magnolia Contreras, Vice-President of Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and a member of the board of EDIC/Lynn.

The other members are:

- Charlie Gaeta, Executive Director of Lynn Housing Authority and Neighborhood Development
- Frances Martinez, President / CEO of the North Shore Latino Business Association
- Bob Tucker, President of the Friends of Lynn & Nahant Beach and former President of the Lynn City

Council

- Katie Cohen, former Executive Director of the North Shore Labor Coun-

- Drew Russo, City of Lynn Personnel Director

- Gordie Hall, President & CEO The Hall Company, Inc.
- Thavra Net, Mental Health Therapist and Program Director of Rainbow ADHC of Lynn
- Oren Wright, Lynn Police Officer and Lynn Public Schools Security

The Committee will be charged with advising Mayor-Elect Nicholson on the assembly of his Administration's team, the elaboration of policy priorities, and the recruitment and facilitation of different voices and perspectives from the community.

In tandem with the launch of the Transition Committee, Mayor-Elect Nicholson has also announced his Administration's transition website: www.lynnforallofus.com.

Anyone interested in getting involved with the new Administration can reach out directly through this site. There is a form to submit resumes and thoughts and suggestions to the Mayor-Elect.

Nicholson said, "We are thrilled to hit the ground running in this effort and invite anyone and everyone who wants to par-



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ticipate to reach out. I'm also grateful for the deep thoughtfulness and foresight that Mayor McGee and his team are bringing to the transition process. We're putting in the work to make this an inclusive and structured effort that sets us up for success in January and beyond."

ZAMBUTO FALLS SHORT IN RECOUNT

REVERE - City Council President Anthony Zambuto's recount bid in the Nov. 2 election picked up four votes, but Councillor-at-Large George Rotondo emerged as the fifth-place finisher overall by $3\overline{3}$ votes, taking the final at-large position.

The recount, under the direction of Election Commissioner Diane Colella, was held Saturday at the Revere High School Fieldhouse. Rotondo finished with 2,238 votes while Zambuto received 2.205 votes. Dan Rizzo, Steven Morabito, Marc Silvestri, and Gerry Visconti were elected to the other four at-large positions.

"It was interesting, probably the most respectful recount I've ever been involved in," said Zambuto. "There was no acrimony or anything."

The long-time councillor-at-large said he did notice during the recount that "unfortunately there was a bullet campaign out there and the ballots were pristine so we couldn't find any votes because people just went in and bulleted either Morabito, Silvestri, or Rizzo."

A "bullet" in the case of the Revere councillor-at-large election meant that voters cast their individual ballot and voted for only one candidate when they could have voted for up to five candidates. That strategy would hurt the chances of a well-known incumbent such as Zambuto, who likely would have received many secondary votes.

Zambuto congratulated Rotondo on his victory in the recount and wished him well in the new term that begins in January.

"George and I were friends going in and we were friends going out," said Zambuto. "Unfortunately for me, I couldn't find any votes because of the way the ballots were," said Zambuto.

Zambuto said he's had 22 years of distinguished service and has many accomplishments such as leading the effort to build a new Revere station.

"I walk away with my head held up high," said Zambuto. "I had to have this recount for my supporters of 22 years. The bottom line is the recount was very respectful and very professional."

MARIJUANA LACED WITH FENTANYL

WINTHROP - Public Health Director Meredith Hurley would like to issue a warning for marijuana laced with fentanyl.

The Connecticut State Lab recently confirmed the presence of fentanyl in a marijuana sample after numerous people who reported only using marijuana overdosed.

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid typically used to treat severe pain. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, fentanyl is 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine, and has been linked to overdoses and death.

"Fentanyl is often disguised with other drugs, and people may not know that they are consuming it," Director Hurley said. "With the recent discovery of marijuana laced with fentanyl in Connecticut, it is more important than ever to be vigilant and to know the signs of an overdose. Remember, always dial 911 in the event of an overdose."

The Winthrop Public Health Department wishes to share the following symptoms, which may be signs of an overdose:

- Small, constricted pu-
- Falling asleep or loss of consciousness
- Slow, shallow breath-
- Choking or gurgling sounds
 - A limp body

• Pale, blue or cold skin residents notice someone that they believe is experiencing an overdose, they should immediately dial 911 and administer Narcan if available. Narcan, otherwise known as Naloxone, is an opioid antagonist that can reverse the effects of a potentially fatal overdose by displacing the drug from the receptors in the brain. Narcan is available for purchase without a prescription at most pharmacies, and health insurance

can be used to offset the

ZONTA CLUB OF CHELSEA AND NORTH SHORE DONATES TO CHELSEA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Zonta member Mary Jane O'Neill is here presenting Chelsea's School Superintendent Dr. Almi G. Abeyta with this year's holiday gift cards. These gift cards will be given to families needing help this holiday season.

MCU welcomes Oliveira and Arias-Perez to staff

Credit Union Metro (MCU), Massachusetts' largest state-chartered credit union, has announced Bianny Arias-Perez and Clarissa Oliveira have joined the organization as Partners in the Training and Development Department.

In the Training and Development Partner role, Arias-Perez and Oliveira will be responsible for delivering, monitoring, updating, and evaluating the New Employee Training program, conducting classroom and on-the-job training with a focus on products and systems. When not actively training on-site or in the classroom, they will assist with training and coaching employees who assist members.

Prior to joining Metro Credit Union, Arias-Perez was most recently a Retail Training Officer at East Boston Savings Bank. She brings six years of experience within the banking industry and a talent for creating and developing personalized learning approaches for each participant. Arias-Perez received her Associates degree in

Quincy College and is a Langevin Certified Master Trainer.

Business Management from

Oliveira joins Metro Credit Union with over a decade of experience within the financial services industry, most recently as a BSA Analyst at Naveo Credit Union and with knowledge of many financial programs including the COCC Core and Verafin. Oliveira received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Massachusetts Boston and obtained her Bank Secrecy Act Certified Specialist qualifi-

"We're excited to have Bianny and Clarissa join Metro" said Robert Cashman, Metro Credit Union's President and CEO. "As Metro continues to grow, so do career opportunities. By expanding our Training and Development department, Metro will invest and ensure our new hires feel empowered in their roles and serve

cation.

For more information about Metro Credit Union, please visit MetroCU.org or connect with us on Linke-

our members effectively.

MCU welcomes Joelle Occean, VP Retail Regional Administrator Financial Planning No. 1 ton Savings Bank, earning

Metro Credit Union (MCU), Massachusetts' largest state-chartered credit union, has announced Joelle Occean has joined the organization as VP Retail Regional Administrator. In her role, Occean is responsible for motivating, coaching, and supporting a team of branch managers to provide outstanding member service and performance to meet the financial needs of members, while achieving Metro's goals and objectives. She will oversee the sourcing and hiring of branch personnel within her assigned region and ensure all branches are staffed with experienced team members.

Prior to joining Metro Credit Union, Occean held a similar role as an Area Manager at East Bosmore than 10 years of experience in banking and a passion for member service and engagement. Throughout her career, Occean has opened numerous individual branches, meeting their financial objectives with a detailed understanding of local markets.

"We're excited to have Joelle join Metro" said Robert Cashman, Metro Credit Union's President and CEO. "Her depth of knowledge within the banking industry, alongside her leadership and management skills, will serve our members well as Metro continues to grow."

Occean received her Associates degree in Business Administration from Newbury College and has a Branch Compliance Officer (BCO) certification. She is Mutual Fund Licensed and has completed Personal

(PFP) training. For more information

about Metro Credit Union, please visit MetroCU. org or connect with us on LinkedIn.

Metro Credit Union is the largest state-chartered credit union in Massachusetts, with \$2.4 billion in assets. Metro provides a full range of financial products to close to 200,000 members in Essex, Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable, Bristol and Worcester counties in Massachusetts, and Rockingham and Hillsborough counties in New Hampshire, as well as to employees of over 1,200 companies through its Metro@work program. Founded in 1926, Metro currently operates 14 branch offices in Boston, Burlington, Chelsea, Framingham, Lawrence, Lynn, Melrose,



Joelle Occean.

Newton, Peabody, Salem, Tewksbury, and coming soon to West Roxbury and Reading. Metro is also a Juntos Avanzamos ("Together We Advance") designated credit union, an honor given to financial institutions for their commitment to serving and empowering Hispanic and immigrant consumers. Metro was recently named among the most charitable companies in Massachusetts by the Boston Business Jour-

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CITY OF CHELSEA INVITATION FOR BIDS Willow Street / Watts Street / Central Avenue Utility, Road and Traffic Improve-The City of Chelsea, Massa-

chusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor and materials for "Willow Street /Watts Street /Central Avenue Utility, Road and Traffic Improvements". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after December 2, 2021 by contacting Dragica Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at divanis@chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website at http://www.chelseama. gov/purchasing/pages/ current-bids-solicitations. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Willow Street /Watts Street /Central Avenue Utility, Road and Traffic Improvements" and submitted to the Purchasing

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In accordance with Section 6-3 (b) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission held on November 9, 2021, the Commission voted to approve the following regulations: To make the traffic lights at Cary Square fully functional. To install speed radar sign on Winnisimmet Street. To eliminate the current Bus Stop at Cary Square and to

reinstate the Bus Stop at Bloomingdale Street. To post a handicap sign at 60 Cottage Street. To post "Two Hour Parking, Monday thru Saturday, 9am to 5pm" signs on Washington Avenue, from Addison Street to Orange Street. To remove the handicap sign at 824 Broadway. To post a handicap sign at 322 Chestnut Street. To post a handicap sign at 73 Maverick Street. Jeannette Cintron White **Parking Clerk**

12/2/21

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COMMONEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Suffolk Probate **And Family Court** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR **CHANGE OF NAME** Docket No. SU21C0278CA

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In the matter of: **Madison Barton** Fahey A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Madison Barton Fahey of Chelsea, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

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Date: November 23, 2021

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J.

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Felix D. Arroyo,

At a public hearing held November 16, 2021, the City of Chelsea Board of Health adopted new tobacco regulations. In addition to changes already enacted at the state level, changes include:

First offense violations of local regulations will result in a \$1000.00 fine. A second violation of local regulations within 36 months will result in a \$2000.00 fine and a 7-day suspension of the tobacco

permit. A third violation of local regulations within 36 months will result in a \$5000.00 fine and a 30-day suspension of the tobacco permit.

Four violations within 36 months or repeated egregious violations may result in revocation of the tobacco sales permit. Prohibited flavored tobacco

products, which already can-

not be sold, cannot be kept at the permittee's premises even if not for sale. Rolling papers have been added to the category of products that may not be flavored. Individual cigars may not be sold for less than \$2.90: multipacks may not be sold for less than \$5.80. No new adult-only retail tobacco stores may be established within 25 feet of an existing permittee. Prohibited blunt wraps have been clarified to include tobacco leaf and roll-yourown kits. The number of tobacco permits available will be reduced by any revoked, surrendered, or not renewed. Tobacco sales permits have been clarified to only be available for indoor spaces.

New tobacco permits will not be issued for retailers within 500 feet of a school. Copies of the regulation are available at the City of Chelsea Department of Health. The new regulation takes effect January 1, 2022.

Re: Prayosha Enterprises,

LLC dba Prattville Mart

383C Washington Avenue,

Chelsea Licensing Commis-

sion, December 9, 2021

Chelsea MA

LEGAL NOTICE

p.m. at the City Council to consider a Transfer of License, Pledge of Inventory, Pledge of Stock and Pledge

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Alcohol License application

Licensing Commission on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the City Council Chambers, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, to consider a Transfer of a Wine and Malt Beverages Alcohol License application (Off Premise) from Prayosha Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Prattville Mart to VanSan Corporation at 383C Washington Avenue, Chelsea, MA. 02150. CHELSEA LICENSING COM-MISSION

Notice is hereby given

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Naomi Libran Licensing Administrator 11/24/21, 12/2/21

LEGAL NOTICE



Chelsea MA Chelsea Licensing Commission, December 9, 2021 public hearing will be held by the Chelsea Licensing Commission on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 6:00

Notice is hereby given that a Chambers, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA,

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Naomi Libran

MISSION

THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN OF A MINOR Docket No.

SU21P0789GD In the interests of Josephine Claire Miranda Of: Chelsea, MA Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED **PARTIES** 1.Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Ap-

pointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 04/15/2021 by Julia A Scalia of Chelsea, MA will be held 12/17/2021 08:30 AM Review Hearing Located 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at

the hearing. If you choose to

file a written response, you

File the original with the Court, and mail a copy to all interested parties at least five(5) business days before the hearing.
3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor(or an adult on behalf

of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor. 4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the **Application of Appointment** of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard. 5. Presence of the Minor

at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

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or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice. Date: September 24, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate 12/2/21

DiDomenico secures funding for area non-profit organizations

On November 10, Senator Sal DiDomenico announced he successfully secured a total of \$1 million in funding for local community non-profit organizations in the cities of Everett, Chelsea, Cambridge and Charlestown. These funds will give essential aid to non-profits working in these commu-

DiDomenico's amendwas included in S.2564, An Act relative to immediate COVID-19 recovery needs, known as the ARPA Spending Bill, released by the Massachusetts Senate. This bill makes critical investments into key economic sectors in the Commonwealth such as housing, workforce development, schools and health care systems, using federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and FY21 state revenue surplus funds.

During the height of the COVID-19 crisis, Everett and Chelsea were among the top five hardest-hit communities in Commonwealth, with Chelsea being ground zero. This funding is crucial to help boost communities that were severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Senator DiDomenico expressethe inclusion of his amendment in the ARPA Spending Bill. "I am extremely pleased to have secured this funding for our community. The \$1 million in funding will create tremendous opportunities for local community non-profits

in the cities of Everett,

Chelsea, Cambridge and Charlestown and I am thrilled to provide my support for these essential organizations."

The following organizations will be funded via Senator DiDomenico's amendment:

- Eliot Family Resource Center
- Uni-Latinos dos en Massachusetts (LUMA)
- The Joint Committee for Children's Health Care
- Transition House • Everett Haitian Com-
- munity Center • The Cambridge Non-
- profit Coalition
- Greenroots, Inc. in
- La Colaborativa
- Special Townies of Charlestown
- The Neighborhood Developers
 - La Comunidad, Inc. Portal to Hope
- The Everett LGBTQ+ Youth Space and Resource
 - Food for Free
- The Kennedy Center of Charlestown • The Everett High
- School Band Program
- Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc. (CAPIC)
 - Grace Food Pantry
- The Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc. (CEOC)
 - ROCA

The Senate version of An Act relative to immediate COVID-19 recovery will be reconciled with a similar version passed by the Massachusetts House of Representatives and sent to the Governor for his signature.

MBTA seeking applicants The MBTA is aggres-

sively hiring new employees to join its dynamic workforce. It takes many people to move over a million trips a day, and the 6,500-person MBTA is redoubling efforts to hire hundreds of open positions from train and trolley operators, to administrative and technical positions, and especially bus drivers who are in high demand to transport Massachusetts residents to work, play, and everywhere in between. Prospective candidates looking for a rewarding career where they can have a positive impact on the entire region should visit mbta.com/careers for more information on open positions and to learn about the MBTA's many

benefits and incentives. "The MBTA plays an integral and essential role in keeping Massachusetts moving. The T is a diverse and exciting place to work, and we're actively hiring and training new employees, especially bus drivers, right now to join our ranks and play a significant part in revitalizing the region post pandemic,' said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "The MBTA is being proactive in recruiting new individuals to join our team and fast-tracking the hiring process, and will continue to work closely with local and state career centers and our community partners to recruit new individuals to join our team. We offer a variety of growth opportunities to employees and

encourage members of the

public to visit our website

to learn more about our

many open positions and

beginning their career at

The MBTA has gone to over 20 online and in-person career fairs across the region this fall and is updating the way it hires to to start a T career, including Commercial Driver's License (CDL) permit "events" at Registry of Motor Vehicle locations (CDL permits are encouraged in applying for bus operator positions), a revamp of the interview process, streamlining the application process, and more. The T has also launched an aggressive recruitment campaign, more than doubling the size of its Human Resources recruiting department since Labor Day 2021 with more anticipated to join soon. A Human Resources team

MBTA bus operators. The MBTA offers competitive salaries, extensive healthcare benefits, free public transit, training programs, tuition assistance, employee assistance programs, and an emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion. MBTA employees also receive attractive retirement plans, paid vacation, holidays, and sick time, and flexible spending accounts. Members of the public can view open positions online and visit the MBTA website for more information on insurance and other benefits.

was also recently created

that is dedicated to vehicle

operator hiring, especially

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OBITUARIES

Ruth Mary Gerace

February 6, 1937 - November 20, 2021

Ruth Mary Cerace, born in Everett on February 6, 1937, daughter of the late John J. (Jack) and Marion R. (Jodrey) McCarthy, passed peacefully on November 20 at The Madonna Manor Skilled Nursing & Rehab Center in North Attleboro.

Ruth was a graduate of Medford High School (class of 1955). After raising her large family, she decided to begin a nursing career; graduating from Lawrence Memorial Hospital Nurses Aid Program in 1971 and the Licensed Practical Nurse Program through Greater Lowell Vocational Tech in 1976.

She was an LPN employed by various Massachusetts Hospitals (St John's Lowell, Whidden Memorial in Everett and Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston. She eventually retired from clinic work while living in Jacksonville, NC.

Ruth spent her childhood in Everett, after which she raised her family in Medford, Lowell and Chelsea. Toward the end of her career, she relocated to Jacksonville, NC where she stayed for almost 22 years.

Traveling north to be with family, Ruth has been a resident of The Madonna Manor Center since 2019.

A voracious reader of all types of literature, Ruth enjoyed being surrounded by many of the books she loved. Additionally, she was a highly skilled needle art enthusiast-specifically knitting and needlepoint- making countless afghans and blankets upon request. Numerous times these items were donated or auctioned off for char-

Ruth was the wife of the late Harry L. Gerace, Sr. and the mother of seven children, 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She is survived by her son, Francis X. and his wife, Martina of Winchendon, MA, Harry L., Jr. and his wife, Mercy of Revere, Brian K. and his



wife, Donna of Attleboro, Joseph A. and his wife, Ute of Jacksonville NC, and Marion R. Jones and her husband, Anthony of Wakefield. Ruth was predeceased by her son, John and his surviving wife, Rita of Acton and Helen A. and her surviving former husband, Jamal (Jimmy) Ahmed of Tewksbury.

Ruth was the older sister to Barbara White of Newport ,NC; John J (Jack) McCarthy Jr of Jacksonville, FL, Elizabeth Muscarella of Lowell, Marjorie Carbone of Londonderry, NH, Patricia Weismann of Boxboro and William McCarthy of Farmington,. ME. She was predeceased by her sister, Carol Sandelin.

Ruth's family wishes to especially thank the staff of Madonna Manor for the exceptional level of care forf Ruth during her time there and the staff at Old Colony Hospice, who were actively involved with her end-of-life care.

Relatives and friends attended Ruth's visiting hours in the Carafa Family Funeral Home, 389 Washington Ave., Chelsea on Wednesday, December 1 followed by Funeral Services at the funeral home and inurnment at Holy Cross Cemetery in Mal-In lieu of flowers, her

family respectfully asks that you consider a donation in Ruth's memory to The Madonna Manor Skilled Nursing & Rehab Center, c/o the Activities Department, 85 North Washington Street, North Attleboro, MA 02760.

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Richard Abdul Hassan **Pittman**

Taken from his loved ones suddenly and tragically

Richard "Richie" Abdul Hassan Pittman, 43, was suddenly and tragically taken from his loved ones, together with his beloved companion, April Carbone, 32, and their soon to be born baby, "Layla Rose," needlessly by a disgruntled co-worker while working at Melet Plastics in Fargo, North Dakota on Wednesday, November 17. Born in Boston on Jan-

uary 12, 1978 to Paula R. Cromwell and Richard Pittman, Richie was raised in Chelsea and attended local schools. His family ultimately relocated to West Haven, Connecticut where he continued his education at Technical High School in Milford, CT. Richie remained in West Haven for several more years with his sweetheart, Maria Rignoli, raising his son, Devyn M. Pittman. He was also the dear father of Breanna Westervelt of Hampden, CT.

In Connecticut Richie worked for A.M.S. and Krell Electronics as a machinist for a number of years. Two and a half years ago, he began a new chapter in his life by moving to Moorhead and Fargo, North Dakota. In Fargo, he was employed at Melet Plastics working with his recent companion, April. It was at work that together with their unborn daughter they would meet their tragic end.

In his lifetime, Richie enjoyed bowling, playing Jai Lai and video games with his son. He loved driving and could always be relied on to drive family and friends safely and in record time to their destinations.

To mourn his tragic passing and cherish his memories, he leaves his two children, Devyn Maurice Pittman of West Haven, CT and Breanna Westervelt of Hamden, CT; his granddaughter, Melody Jade Bookert, his loving parents, Paula R. Cromwell of Chelsea and Richard Pittman of Lynn. He was the loving grandson of the late Emerline (Smith) and Richard Cromwell and Donald and Esther Pittman; the dear

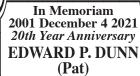


brother of Richele Hill, Tia M. Pittman, Jessica L. Pittman and Sade R. Pittman and old sweetheart of Maria Rignoli. He is also survived by a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and many extended family members and friends.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend visiting hours at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday, December 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. In order to protect the public health, all visitors are advised to wear face masks while in the Funeral Home. Family and friends will honor Richie's life by gathering at the Welsh Funeral Home on Saturday, December 4 at 10 a.m. Services will conclude in the Funeral

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Councillor asks city to increase number of polling locations

voter turnout, Low especially in municipal elections, isn't unique to Chelsea, but District 6 Councillor Giovanni Recupero is among the councillors urging his colleagues to look at ways to increase voter turnout in the city.

Recupero is asking the City Manager and City Clerk to look into adding in Chelsea for the city's more voting locations in the city.

"You want our city to be more fair and open and get more people to go out and vote, make the places to vote closer to where the districts are," said Recupero. "Don't make them all in one place, put them the way they used to be."

Currently, there are three polling locations

eight districts. They are at the public safety building at Sagamore Avenue and Cheever Street for District 1; the Williams School auditorium for Districts 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8; and the St. Rose School for Districts 3 and 7.

"The (polling locations) used to be in the districts and there used to be more places where you could go and vote," said Recupero. "If you go back to the way it used to be, you'll have a bigger turnout."

Recupero said it makes sense that more people would be likely to vote if the polling locations were closer to where they lived.

"Instead of making it one centralized area, make it in different sections like it used to be 30 years ago and maybe people will go out and vote more, because our city needs people to vote more."

In addition to requesting more polling locations, Recupero said the city needs to add porta-potties at the current voting loca-

"When I was outside this year where the people vote, people could not go to the bathroom," he said. "They had to go to Dunkin

Donuts, they had to go all over the place. If that's the case, why not put the porta-potties where people can go to the bathroom if they are not going to allow them to go inside. It's a good thing to have these portable (toilets) there for that specific time when people are there so the people won't be inconvenienced."

Malden Catholic students walk on behalf of the Leonard Florence Center for Living and raise \$13,000

Special to the Independent

In honor of the 13th Annual ALS & MS Walk for Living, which was held virtually on October 17 to benefit the residents of the Leonard Florence Center for Living, the Malden Catholic High School held a three-mile walk on Wednesday, November 17 at 2:30 PM. Over 300 students, parents, faculty, staff and friends attended the walk around the track twelve times in honor those who have suffered from ALS in the community and raised over \$13,000.

The walk honored Timothy Paquette (MC'07), who passed away from ALS on June 27, 2021, and is the son of Rick &

Elizabeth Paquette; Chris Snow, a Melrose native who was diagnosed with ALS in 2019; Brother Joe Comber, a community member and care-giver to Brother Tim Hoey who was MC's Social Studies Department Chairperson and beloved teacher who passed away from ALS on April 24, 2021. Brother Tim Hoey was also a resident of the Leonard Florence Center for Living. Speakers include Tim's mom Elizabeth Paquette, Malden Mayor Gary Christenson and Walk for Living Director Maura Graham.

"Tim lost his battle with ALS this June, and he left his wife Chelsea and beautiful baby boy, De-



Brother Puccio participated in the 2021 ALS & MS Walk for

NSMHA CEO Moore announces reurement

Staff Report

North Suffolk Mental Health Association Chief Executive Officer Jackie K. Moore, Ph.D., has announced her intent to retire after more than 16 years at the helm of the Chelsea-based behavioral health nonprofit.

The NSMHA Board of Directors has engaged national executive search firm Isaacson, Miller to assist in finding a successor, and Moore intends to stay on through the spring to ensure a smooth transi-

Moore was named CEO in 2005. Under Moore's leadership, NSMHA has grown into one of the largest behavioral health care providers in Greater Boston, currently employing. More than 950 people who serve over 10,000 children, adults and families annually. She has been instrumental in incorporating peers and people with lived experience into the workforce. Over the last decade-plus, NSMHA has expanded in all areas, adding more congregate care facilities, including a home specifically for person with Acquired Brain Injury; a second recovery support center located in East Boston; and most recently, a residential treatment program in Chelsea for persons with co-occurring mental health and

substance use disorders,

one of only 37 such fa-

cilities in the state. The

agency has also received

four federal grants from the Substance Abuse and Mental. Health Services Administration (SAMH-SA) since April of 2020.

"After a lot of thought and consideration, I feel that the timing is right to make this transition for me, and more importantly, for North Suffolk," Moore said. "We've always had to fight for resources and finally, the resources and the public recognition of the importance of this work are coming to behavioral health care.

"We've weathered COVID-19 - we're not completely through it, but we can manage it. For all the challenges of the pandemic, it brought out the creativity and innovation of our staff and their commitment to the people we serve. Their work has our organization in a very good place to move forward. It has been a privilege to work with our very talented and caring staff, our Board of Directors, the individuals who trust us to help them and these wonderful communities."

Founded in 1959, North Suffolk Mental Health Association, Inc. (NSM-HA) strives to help people achieve independence and fullness of life by providing a wide array of community-based, son-centered treatment, recovery and rehabilitation opportunities/ by intervening as early as possible; by promoting prevention, education and



The walkers at the start of the 13th Annual ALS and MLS Walk.

overwhelmed but having the MC Lancers came out today provide a circle of love and care for those in the community who are suffering, meant a tremendous amount to me and my family," stated Mrs. Elizabeth Paquette.

The Leonard Florence Center for Living enables its residents, many of whom are completely immobilized, to control lights, turn on the TV, call for the elevator, open doors and raise window shades, all with help of a computer and sensor that tracks head and eye movements for instruction. This technology enables them to move independently through the entire resi-

dence, vastly improving their quality of life.

Every single dollar raised from this Walk goes directly back to patient care and programs for the ALS and MS residents. The Center cares for more individuals living with ALS than any place else in the world.

"Malden Catholic has partnered with the Leonard Florence Center for the past 8 years and we are delighted to join together as a community to provide an improved quality of life for those who suffer from ALS and MS," stated John K. Thornburg, Malden Catholic Headmaster. https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=TPt0BJ- CancU

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Sounds of Christmas will play Sunday in Revere

Covid restrictions in place for safety

Staff Report

The instruments are tuned and the musicians are ready for Sunday's Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert and Food Drive featuring the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra.

Music Director Robert Lehmann will start the program of popular Christmas music at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church. All concert attendees

will be required to show proof of Covid vaccination or a negative Covid test taken no earlier than Thursday December 2. Everyone will be required to wear masks during the



be the featured soloist with the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra in Sunday's Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at St. Anthony's Church, 4 p.m.

Admission to the concert is free thanks to the generous principal sponsors Bocchino Insurance, Global Partners LP, Comcast, RCN, Action Emergency Management Services, and the Arbella Insurance Foundation. Patrons are asked to bring a generous donation of non-perishable food to benefit the Revere Food The "Sounds of Christ-

mas" concert was first played in Revere in 1976 and settled at St. Anthony's Church in 1977. It has been an annual event except for a three-year hiatus in the mid-1980s. The pandemic forced cancellation of last year's concert. "It goes without saying

that we are thrilled to be back at St. Anthony's this year," said Robert Marra Jr., president of the Orchestra and co-chair of the concert. "We want everyone to be safe, but to come and enjoy this tradition and welcome the holiday season."

The concert was named



FIRST NOTE: In a vintage photograph from 1977, North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra Music Director Max Hobart starts the first "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at a full St. Anthony's Church. The tradition continues Sunday when Hobart's successor Robert Lehmann conducts the Orchestra at St. Anthony's in a 4 p.m free concert.

in 2002 after lifelong Revere resident, violinist Robert Marra Sr., the Orchestra's concertmaster for over 50 years and a 40-year teacher at Revere High. The Food Drive has been a part of the event

since 1991 and over the years has raised tons of food to help the needy in Revere and surrounding communities served by the Revere Food Pantry organized by the First Congregational Church.

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ra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert at St. Anthony's

Church, 4 p.m. as the annual tradition resumes after last

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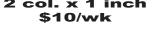
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Sports



The Chelsea High Football team.

CHELSEA DEFEATS CATHEDRAL/MATIGNON, 14-6, IN THANKSGIVING GAME

High The Chelsea School football team defeated Cathedral/ Matignon, 14-6, in the Thanksgiving game Nov.

25 in Boston.

The Red Devils completed a successful season with a 6-4 record under

first-year head coach Michael Jackson. Playing an independent

schedule, the Red Devils

also earned victories over Salem, Tech Boston, Boston English, Somerville, and Medford. The losses were to Revere, Boston took a positive step for-

Latin Academy, East Boston, and Northeast Regional.

The football program

ward with its performance in the 2021 season and the future looks bright for the Red Devils.



Chelsea High School football team leaders Joshua Sosa, Younes Maizat, Henri Martinez, and Jeffrey Ponce Lopez are pictured before the Red Devils' Thanksgiving game against Cathedral/Matignon Nov. 25 in Boston.



A Cathedral/Matignon player looks to make it up the field but everywhere he looks Chelsea players are waiting.

BRUINS Beat

by Bob Morello

Bruins Mike Milbury – a tradition honoree

The Sports Museum will hold its 20th annual fundraising gala, The Tradition, will honor Mike Milbury (Bruins), David Ortiz (Red Sox), Kevin McHale (Celtics), Angela Ruggiero (US Women's Hockey), Ben Coates (Patriots), and Taylor Twellman (Revolution). Guests will enjoy a cocktail reception and a 'talkshow' style presentation on Wednesday, December 8 at 6:00pm on the arena floor at TD Garden. Tickets (\$350) for this unique fundraiser benefiting The Sports Museum, are available for purchase at www. sportsmuseum.org/events/ the-tradition. A ticket to this event provides financial support to one of the longest running sports museums in the country, as well as the educational programs that The Sports Museum provides to atrisk kids in our community. The event also offers a

once in a lifetime experience to mingle with some of New England's most legendary athletes and industry leaders. During the ceremony, honorees share career highlights and anecdotal stories that give fans a glimpse into the lives of these living legends. Honorees include:

Mike Milbury - Mike logged a remarkable 35year hockey career as a player, coach and general manager. Milbury played 754 NHL regular season games and additional 111 in the Stanley Cup Playoffs, earning 1,552 minutes in penalties, second only to Terry O'Reilly's club record 2,095. He had 49 goals and 189 assists in the regular season, 4 goals, 24 assists and 219 penalty minutes over his playoff career. Milbury ranks 12th all-time in games played for the Bruins. Following his playing career, Milbury became head coach

of the Bruins' AHL affiliate in Maine 1987, a n d w a s promoted head coach and assistant gen-

eral manager of the Bruins in 1989. His career includes being named head coach at Boston College in March, 1994, leaving in early June, 1994, due to philosophical differences. He was named head coach and general manager of the New York Islanders 1995. Milbury followed up his stint with the Islanders by becoming a studio analyst for NESN, NBC, TSN, plus a contract with CBC's Hockey Night in Canada in 2008. He was also a color commentator for "NHL on

NBC," for 14 years, leaving that position in 2021. David Or-

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the Minnesota Twins in 2003. He hit 31 home runs that son. The following season 2004, Ortiz became known for his clutch hitting. He hit two walk-off home runs in the postseason. His first was when the Red Sox swept the Anaheim Angels in the American League Division Series. The Red Sox went on to win their first World Series since 1918. They won two more World Series championships in 2007 and 2013. Ortiz retired af-

Kevin McHale - A three-time NBA cham-McHale played pion,

ter the 2016 season.

13 season with the Boston Celtics. Twice voted NBA Sixth Man of the Year while wearing #32 for the Celtics, and was later retired. His achievements along with the three championships includes being chosen to 50 Greatest Player in NBA History team, seven-time All-Star, and three-time NBA All Defensive First Team.

Angela Ruggiero - A four-time Olympic medalist, Ruggiero was a force on the blue line throughout her 15-plus-year career with the U.S. Women's National Team, and played more games (256) in a Team USA uniform than any other ice hockey player in the country's history. Ruggiero helped the U.S. claim the first-ever gold medal awarded in women's ice hockey in the Olympic Winter Games in 1998, and went on to win three other Olympic medals. Ruggiero played four seasons at Harvard University, and was awarded the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Trophy in 2004 (top women's ice hockey player in the NCAA),before retiring from the U.S. Women's National Team in December of 2011.

Taylor Twellman Twellman played eight professional seasons for the New England Revolution, and was one of Major League Soccer's most prolific forwards before his career was premature-

ly cut short after suffering

from multiple concussions. Twellman scored 101 goals in 174 matches for the Revolution. He led the league in goals scored with 17, and won the league MVP. Since his career-ending injury, Twellman has dedicated himself to generating awareness about the dangers of concussions and head inju-

ries, particularly in soccer. Ben Coates - played in 142 games over nine seasons as a Patriot. Entering the 2010 season, Coates was third all-time in team history in receptions (490), fourth in receiving yards (5,471) and second in receiving touchdowns (50) – all tops among tight ends in Patriots annals. In 1994, Coates held the franchise record for receptions by a tight end. He also led the team in touchdown receptions for six straight seasons between 1993 and 1998 and led the team in overall receptions five times. Coates was named to the Patriots Team of the Century in 2000. Coates was quarterback Drew Bledsoe's go-to receiver throughout his career and became a fan favorite for his dependability, toughness and performance. He was inducted into the Patriots Hall of Fame in 2008. Coates won the Super Bowl while playing with the Baltimore Ravens in 2000.

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