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Chelsea Trailblazers Celebration Tonight

By Cary Shuman

The Chelsea Black Community (CBC), led by President Joan Cromwell, will host its “Chelsea Trailblazers 2022” virtual celebration Thursday at 6 p.m.

Cromwell will preside over the awards ceremony that will honor Chelsea Trailblazers Sara Arman, Richelle Cromwell, Juan Gallego, Loira Moore, Paul Smith, and Nicole McKoy for their commitment to community wellness and creating inclusive solutions.

The Rev. Dr. Ray Ham-



Picture above is a display at the Chelsea Public Library presented by CPL Director Sarah Gay Jackson and her staff in observance of Black History Month in Chelsea.

mond, co-founder of the Bethel AME Church, Boston, will be the keynote speaker for the program.

The celebration will conclude an outstanding slate of events held in coordination with the City’s

observance of Black History Month.

At the Feb. 17 virtual event, titled, “Exploring and Preserving Black History in Chelsea,” Chelsea Public Library Director Sarah Gay Jackson and

Lewis Latimer Society Co-Director and Curator Ronald Robinson made presentations and hosted the community discussion about the past, present, and future state of Black history in Chelsea.

City Clerk offers clarification on parking sticker issue

Special to the Record

When Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson heard from some of his constituents over the holiday weekend that fines were being issued for residential parking expiration violations, the dean of the Council went to work.

With Monday being Presidents Day and City Hall closed, Robinson visited Tuesday morning with City Clerk Jeannette Cintron White, who offered clarification on the matter. In addition to her other numerous responsibilities, Cintron White oversees the City’s Traffic

and Parking Program.

Cintron addressed the City’s announcement that may have created some confusion about the actual date of expiration for the residential parking stickers.

“Those residents who have the 2020 sticker with the Tobin Bridge on it – before COVID hit, we were already renewing the new stickers for 2021,” said Cintron White. “Then COVID hit, and we returned to the office on June 1, 2020. When we came back, we made an announcement that the 2020 stickers were extended until August 1, 2020, so

people could renew for their 2021 sticker.

“Unfortunately, because of COVID and everything that happened, we still find stickers from 2020, and that was the issue [this past weekend],” said Cintron White.

Cintron White explained that the current 2021 residential sticker – which has a picture of the Soldiers’ Home water tower – that was due to expire on Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2022, has been extended until April 30, 2022.

She also said that residents should renew their visitors’ parking passes. “The current program set

of visitors’ passes expires this Monday (Feb. 28),” said Cintron White.

Residents can renew their residential parking sticker in person at City Hall, online, by mail, or by dropping off an application in the drop-box outside City Hall.

“The new sticker has 2023 on the right side, and also Sury Chavez’s painting of the Stebbins Fountain on Park Street (near the Chelsea Police Station),” related Cintron White. “The City is waiving the \$10 sticker fee again, so the sticker is free.”

Recupero petitions for water rate break for homeowners

By Adam Swift

District 6 City Councillor Giovanni Recupero has prided himself on finding ways to save the city’s taxpayers and homeowners money.

Recupero’s latest effort is the introduction of a home rule petition he hopes to see before the state legislature that would establish a program giving a 20 percent reduction on the water and sewer bill to any owner-occupant of condominium unit, single family, two family, three family, or four family home.

A public hearing on the home rule petition will be scheduled before the state legislature will be asked to act on the request. Recupero said the home rule petition is the first of its

kind in the state.

“This is trying to help the homeowners who are here,” said Recupero. “What this does is we put this forth to a public hearing, then it goes to the State House, and the State House has to approve

whatever we want to do for the homeowners of this city. This is the first time anything like this has ever been done.”

Recupero said it is no sure thing that the measure will pass at the state level, but that it was worth a shot

to try to financially help Chelsea homeowners.

“We only have something like 18 percent homeowners in this city, that is very, very little,” said Recupero.

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COUNCIL HONORS CHELSEA PRIDE YOUTH FOOTBALL



The City Council honored the Chelsea Pride Youth Football organization with a set of resolutions commending its leaders for running an excellent program and inspiring Chelsea’s youth to participate in sports. Front row, from left, are Councillor Norieliz DeJesus, Chelsea Pride Football Director Kevin O’Regan, Chelsea Pride Football Field Director Michael Lopez, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Chelsea Pride Football player Hector Rivas, Chelsea Pride Football Vice President Shawn O’Regan, Abdrielyz Rivas Aviles, Councillor Melinda Vega Maldonado, and Councillor Judith Garcia. Back row, from left, are Councillor Calvin Brown, Councillor Todd Taylor, and Council President Roy Avellaneda. Chelsea Pride Football would like to thank the City Council, City Manager Tom Ambrosino and Chelsea City Solicitor Cheryl Watson Fisher for all their support and dedication to Chelsea Pride Football.

For the latest news in Chelsea that you need to know, check chelsearecord.com

Councillors ask for change in MBTA bus route

By Adam Swift

The City Council is asking for a meeting with the MBTA regarding improving bus service to Crescent Avenue and Clinton Street.

Council President Roy Avellaneda said the area is currently underserved by public transportation, and that the MBTA could make some changes with its current routes to help improve that service.

“One of the matters that has come up with the discussion of the Forbes project was the possibility ... that the project developer was going to have some kind of shuttle bus,” said Avellaneda.

But with the Forbes project in limbo, any hope

of an associated shuttle bus in the near future has also been scuttled.

“What the discussion led to, to me, was the awareness that that whole corner of Chelsea does not have any sort of public transportation or bus stops,” said Avellaneda. “The 117 and the 116 (buses), as far as Chelsea goes, are duplicate routes. They enter from Meridian Street and run down to Park to Hawthorn to Bellingham Square, and then it is a straight shot down Broadway, and only in Revere do the 116 and the 117 then have two different routes.”

Avellaneda said many Chelsea residents would

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Council President introduces home rule petition for development linkage fees

By Adam Swift

Creating linkage fees for larger developments in Chelsea would help streamline and create greater transparency in mitigating the impacts of those developments, according to City Council President Roy Avellaneda.

The council is scheduling a public hearing on the home rule petition introduced by Avellaneda that would create linkage fees for any commercial, industrial, or mixed-used development, and any residential developments of 24 or more units.

Those fees would then go into a separate fund, and the City Council would then be able to decide how the funds could best be used for the neighborhoods impacted and the city.

“This is something I have been working on for nearly a year now,” said Avellaneda.

He said he initially tried to address the development mitigation process during the review of the city’s charter in 2020, suggesting that the City Council have a say when it comes to mitigation proposals from developers. However, Avellaneda said he was told that addressing the issue was not possible through the charter.

Currently, the City

Manager is responsible for making any type of mitigation deals regarding development.

“We had a meeting last fall, and the City Manager, in order to assist my concerns, said there is a method that other communities do called linkage fees,” said Avellaneda.

With linkage fees, the city charges a set rate based on the size of the project, and then the City Council decides how to use that money to help mitigate the impact of the project. Avellaneda said that money can be put toward a wide array of initiatives, such as social programs, capital improvement projects, workforce development and job training, traffic improvements, youth sports programs, and scholarship opportunities.

Avellaneda said his only issue with the linkage fees is that projects of similar sizes charged at the same rate could have differing impacts depending on where they are located.

“But at the end of the day, I just wanted to get something done, and it may not be perfect, but the fact is that this is what other communities are doing,” said Avellaneda.

While the proposal takes the negotiating power

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LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

RESIDENTS MAKE DEAN’S LIST AT WENTWORTH INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The following local students have made the dean’s list at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the Fall 2021 semester.

- * Hilcias De La Cruz of Chelsea
- * Mazen Khamis of

Chelsea
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Founded in 1904, Wentworth Institute of Technology is a nationally ranked university offering career-focused education through bachelor’s and graduate degree programs in areas including engineering, architecture, computer and data science, life sciences, management, and design. Its

31 acres are situated in the Fenway neighborhood of Boston, Mass., within walking distance of several leading cultural, educational, sports, and medical hubs. Wentworth is known for its emphasis on career preparation for students through its leading co-op programs, hands-on learning approach, and alignment with 21st-century workforce needs.

PRIM Board to vote against directors at high-polluting portfolio companies

The Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board, which oversees the state’s \$104.1 billion pension fund, voted unanimously in favor to approve new proxy voting guidelines proposed by State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg. These guidelines are designed to allow the state pension fund to vote against directors at companies that are not aligned with the Paris Climate Agreement and Climate Action 100+.

The action comes as part of Treasurer Goldberg and PRIM’s commitment to build and implement a comprehensive ESG framework with the proxy goals of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius and/or establishing a plan to achieve “net zero” emissions by 2050.

“This vote not only benefits our retirees and taxpayers with its positive environmental outcomes, but has significant potential to increase our bottom line,” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg, who Chairs the PRIM Board. “It is a more active approach toward achieving our financial goals while having a productive long-term impact on our changing climate.”

Over the past 10 years, PRIM has achieved an investment gain of \$70.6 billion – exceeding the benchmark return by \$12 billion over that time. In 2020, PRIM became the first founding member of the MIT Sloan School of Management’s Aggregate Confusion Project, a research consortium with the goal of improving ESG measurement.

“Today’s votes help keep

PRIM out in front of major ESG trends in the industry,” said Michael G. Trotsky, CFA, Executive Director and Chief Investment Officer of MassPRIM. “The new committee will build on the work we have been doing with our partners in the MIT Sloan School’s Aggregate Confusion Project to become more impactful; to use the power of PRIM to advocate for important change.”

Grassroots organizations, pension funds, and other investors have been working collaboratively with the Treasurer’s office to develop policies where shareholders vote against company directors that are the most significant drivers of climate change. Additionally, the development of an investment approach that pursues an environmental, social, and corporate governance (ESG) frameworks into investment decision making will not only have better impacts on our world but better corporate outcomes resulting in greater returns.

The Board also voted to create an ESG Committee comprised of industry experts. This first-in-the-nation initiative will help to leverage the Fund to be a force that promotes worker safety, fosters diversity, fights against climate change, while still maintaining – and even increasing – returns.

“These voting guidelines are a great move for Massachusetts and other state treasurers and comptrollers should follow suit,” said Mary Cerulli, Founder of Boston based Climate Finance Action. “We know that Treasurer Goldberg’s ESG committee will ad-

dress the entire portfolio and she will work successfully with other large investors to improve and align the climate transition plans of high-emitting companies.”

“We applaud the leadership of Treasurer Goldberg and today’s actions by the PRIM Board,” said Mindy Lubber, CEO and President of Ceres. “Companies and their directors have been put on notice by many of their shareholders that if they fail to address climate change risks and implement climate practices and policies that will help bring about a transition to a net zero emissions economy, those shareholders will hold them accountable. Following the historic 2021 U.S. proxy season, directors now know they might be replaced if they are not doing their jobs in mitigating climate-related risks and capturing opportunities in the net zero transition.”

The proxy voting guidelines do not restrict or determine which companies the pension fund invests in. Instead, they allow the fund to use its power as a shareholder to advocate for policies that advance effective corporate governance and ensure sustained value for the fund, fostering long-term growth for its investments.

In prior years, the Treasurer proposed, and the PRIM Board unanimously approved a series of reforms, which, in addition to targeting climate change, also focused on renewable energy, human rights standards, executive pay, LGBTQ rights, board diversity and wage equality, and limiting the number of boards a director may sit on.

House passes driver’s license bill

In an unprecedented effort to increase safety on the roads, the Massachusetts House of Representatives passed legislation that will allow applicants who are unable to prove lawful presence in the United States to apply for a Massachusetts driver’s license.

Under this legislation, the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) will not inquire about immigration status when processing an application for a Massachusetts driver’s license or registration, solely basing the issuance of driver’s licenses to residents who provide required documents to prove their identity, pass the corresponding driver tests, and meet all other eligibility criteria.

“I’m proud of the significant step that the House took today towards bringing all drivers under the same licensing and insurance standards, regardless of immigration status,” said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). “In addition to increasing safety on our roads for all drivers, this legislation recognizes the essential role our immigrant neighbors play in our society and economy by ensuring that everyone has access to a driver’s license. I thank Chair Straus, Chair Michlewitz, the bill’s sponsors, and all my colleagues in the House, as well as countless supporters, immigration and labor advocates, and law enforcement officials for their tireless work to ensure its passage.”

“In line with the 16 other states that have passed laws offering standard licenses to those providing secure identification documents, this carefully crafted public safety legislation will mean that all drivers using our roads are identifiable, competent and insured,” said Representative William M. Straus (D-Mattapoisett), House Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation.

“I’m extremely grateful for the tireless advocacy that led to this pivotal moment. I also want to thank Speaker Mariano, Chair

Michlewitz, Chair Straus, and the House for their leadership on this important issue,” said Boston Mayor Michelle Wu. “All Boston and Massachusetts adults deserve access to driver’s licenses regardless of immigration status. I support the Family Mobility Act because it will make all of us safer.”

“We cannot overstate our joy, pride and gratitude for today’s historic vote in the Massachusetts House of Representatives,” said the leaders of the organizations that co-chair the Driving Families Forward Coalition, Brazilian Worker Center Executive Director Lenita Reason and 32BJ SEIU Vice President Roxana Rivera. “We extend our deepest thanks to Speaker Mariano for his clear support in moving the bill through the legislative process, and we also thank the bill’s four lead sponsors, dozens of co-sponsors and many thousands of individual supporters. Today, all of them have helped move our state toward safer roads, stronger public security, better public health, and a more robust economy, while also taking a step toward transforming the lives of immigrants and their families across the Commonwealth.”

“Immigrants without status are essential workers and card-carrying, dues-paying union members. Moreover, they are our neighbors, friends, and family and an integral part of our economy and community. With overwhelming support from law enforcement, this bill will provide greater public safety and allow workers to obtain and keep good paying jobs, all while making facets of everyday life that many of us take for granted, like getting kids to school, a reality. We commend Speaker Mariano and the entire Massachusetts House for voting to pass this important legislation that will result in safer roads for all Massachusetts residents,” said Steven A. Tolman, President, MA AFL-CIO.

“I want to thank all those legislators, law enforcement leaders, im-

migration advocates and public health officials who worked tirelessly to advance this bill through today’s historic vote in the House,” said Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian. “Efforts on this issue date back to my time as a state representative. Then, as now, it was clear that this bill would improve public safety and public health. While I was supportive of this concept 20 years ago, it was the rigorous identification requirements in the final version of this bill that strengthened it further and made today’s vote possible. I applaud Speaker Mariano for bringing it to the floor and the individuals who lent their stories and voices to this important cause.”

To apply for a standard driver’s license, applicants will need to provide at least two documents to prove their identity and date of birth. All documents written in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified translation to English:

- Document #1: valid unexpired foreign passport or valid unexpired consular ID
- Document #2: valid US driver’s license, birth certificate, valid foreign national ID card, valid foreign driver’s license, ora marriage certificate or divorce decree

Residents who cannot prove lawful presence in the United States would remain ineligible for a “REAL ID” which requires documentation of U.S. citizenship or lawful status as a matter of federal law. To protect applicants’ privacy, the legislation also prohibits the RMV from disclosing any information about applicants for and holders of a standard driver’s license except as authorized by regulations promulgated by the Attorney General.

“An Act relative to work and family mobility” (H.4461) passed the House of Representatives 120-36. It now goes to the Senate for their consideration.

Holocaust Memorial Museum encourages residents to donate Holocaust-era artifacts

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum will present a live virtual program for New England residents on Wednesday, March 9, from noon to 1 p.m., as part of its ongoing efforts to rescue the evidence of the Holocaust.

As event chair, former Museum Council Member Michael P. Ross will provide introductory remarks. A former Boston City Councilor, Ross is the son of the late Stephan Ross, who survived 10 concentration camps and was liberated by American soldiers at Dachau.

“Despite the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Museum is in a race against time to collect Holocaust artifacts and oral

testimonies,” Ross said. “The Museum is now focusing its efforts within the New England region and is offering specialized one-on-one appointments for people interested in donating artifacts or researching their family history.”

During the March 9 program entitled “Preserving Holocaust History: Collecting Artifacts and Researching Fates,” the following presentations will be made:

- Fred Wasserman, acquisitions curator of the Museum’s National Institute for Holocaust Documentation, will explain the Museum’s rigorous process for reviewing, acquiring, and conserving Holocaust artifacts, such

as photos, letters, diaries, films, testimonies, and other objects that document the Holocaust, enabling the Museum to teach this history with authenticity and relevance to every new generation.

- Diane Afoumado, chief of the Museum’s Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center, will explain the process of conducting personalized research on family history during the Holocaust.

Immediately following the March 9 program, the Museum will offer participants the opportunity to schedule personal appointments to discuss donating artifacts to the Museum, contributing oral testimony, or requesting assistance researching family fates.

To RSVP for this free program, advance registration is required:

ushmm.org/events/new-england-collections

For more information on the program, interested participants may contact the Museum’s Northeast Regional Office at north-eastoutreach@ushmm.org.

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RMV preparing for high customer volume

The Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) is preparing for a high volume of in-person customer service transactions during school vacation week which is scheduled to take place the week. The RMV traditionally sees a high volume of customers at its statewide Service Center locations during this annual vacation week, and encourages customers to schedule appointments for required in-person transactions and avoid unnecessary visits by using Mass.Gov/RMV to conduct more than 40 RMV online transactions.

“The RMV historically experiences a higher volume of in-person transactions during February school vacation week, and we encourage customers to schedule appointments, plan ahead, and conduct transactions online,” said Registrar of Motor Vehicles Colleen Ogilvie. “Scheduling appointments ahead of time and arriving prepared for required Service Center visits will provide flexibility and help customers save time for more enjoyable activities.”

The Registry anticipates a higher volume of students will be seeking to secure learner’s permits during the vacation week. Customers who are requesting learner’s permits need to begin the application process with an in-person visit at an RMV Service Center location and are encouraged to complete their application online at Mass.Gov/RMV. The learner’s permit exams can then be taken online after initial application requirements have been fulfilled.

The RMV has made available a new informational online portal to provide easy access to a variety of educational resources and materials that can be used to help guide first-time drivers, and parents and guardians of Junior Operators, through the detailed step-by-step process of securing a Massachusetts driving credential. The portal can be found at [https://www.mass.gov/guides/first-](https://www.mass.gov/guides/first-time-driver-start-here)

time-driver-start-here.

Highlights of the key features of the online portal are as follows:

1. Steps to Getting a Driver’s License – Information regarding the requirements for RMV learner’s permits and road tests, and links that can be used to schedule appointments.
2. Parent/Guardian Information – Information regarding Driver’s Education Programs, the Parent Supervised Driving Program which provides a methodical approach to teaching requisite driving skills, and Junior Operator License (JOL) requirements including details on certain motor vehicle citation penalties which are imposed by the Junior Operator and the Safe Operator Law.
3. Safe Driving Tips – Links to educational YouTube videos that highlight MassDOT’s “Scan the Street for Wheels and Feet” campaign which addresses specific roadway safety topics such as being cognizant of pedestrians and bicyclists, mirrors and blind spots, and a “double threat” when pedestrians are crossing multiple lanes of traffic that are heading in the same direction.
4. Studying for Learning’s Permits and Road Tests – Links to helpful practice exams for learner’s permit exams and the option to download the Massachusetts Driver’s Manual at no cost or purchase a hard copy of the manual which will be mailed to the customer, informational videos to become familiar with maneuvers that are evaluated during road tests, and links to specific requirements for applicants and sponsors.

5. Time to Take Your Permit – Links to the learner’s permit application process, detailed instructions for taking the exam online, and alternative options that are available to take the exam.

The RMV also offers online practice learner’s permit exams which can be accessed by customers through Mass.Gov/RMV or by logging into their myRMV account. Customers can also purchase a copy of the Massachusetts Class D (Passenger) Drivers Manual and Commercial Driver’s License Manual online using their myRMV accounts, instead of visiting a Service Center. Ordered manuals will be mailed to customers within 7-10 days of purchase.

Additional information on RMV service offerings and appointments can be found at www.Mass.Gov/RMV, including more than 40 transactions that can be conducted online, by mail, or by phone. The RMV recommends that all customers get ready online before their appointment.

Appointments for many RMV transactions can also be made at AAA customer locations if the customer is a member of AAA.

Please note that customers who are fully vaccinated are allowed to go without face coverings in RMV Service Center locations unless the city/town where the center is located has an Indoor Mask Mandate. Customers who are not yet fully vaccinated are required to wear face coverings in RMV Service Centers.

For the latest RMV updates and information, follow the RMV on Twitter @MassRMV.

PEOPLE OF CHELSEA

Attorney Olivia Anne Walsh - 2022

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’m a Mattapan girl from Blue Hill Ave. I worked with the Soldiers Home for many years. 25 years ago I thought it was time to come over here with commandant Mike Resca who I had known through being the Director of Veterans Services. Chelsea was always to me a desirable place to live, and the Soldiers Home was welcoming. I’ve been here ever since.

Currently, I consult for several elected and appointed officials. Having spent over 30 yrs at the State House and Boston City Hall. Besides being an attorney, I’m also a certified social worker, working with those with substance abuse. I’ll be 70 this year. (Top Secret!)

In ‘76 I graduated from UMass Boston with a BS in management. In ‘81 I went to Suffolk University for a Master of Public Administration. In ‘87 I received my Doctorate of Jurisprudence. I’ve been involved in progressive



values my entire life. My fear for Chelsea is it’ll be gentrified much sooner than later. Rents are putting it out of reach of our new Americans. I can’t control it. The city manager can’t control it. Our City Council can’t control it. It seems to roll on its own.

You can’t really appreciate Chelsea in a vehicle. You have to be on foot. You know Eleanor St? You can get great legs if you march up and down Eleanor every day. I see nothing but the best for the future of this city with the hardworking, I refuse to use the word immigrants; I say New American’s. You just need to work hard. Education is the quickest way to advance yourself in this country. And our New Americans are well aware of this.

I feel one of the biggest reasons I’ve been

so accepted in Chelsea is that women, often Latino women, sometimes feel marginalized disenfranchised, and historically, people like myself have been marginalized disenfranchised. Not included in the mainstream of events. I didn’t do anything to make this happen it’s just how people view people such as myself. As Dr. King said, “I always judge a person not by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.”

If I had my way, the motto, that’s on all of our currency, E Pluribus Unum, would be underneath Winnisimmet, the original Indian name on the City Seal, meaning, “Out of many, One.” This is the 21st-century melting pot here in the city of Chelsea, and I’m proud to live here.

Petition /

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er away from the City Manager, Avellaneda said it will actually make his job easier, since he will be able to tell developers that there is a set amount of money for a project that

will go in a special fund.

“The beauty of this is that it’s public and it’s transparent, and the control rests with the elected officials, as it should,” said Avellaneda.

Water Rate /

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With the 20 percent reduction, owner-occupants of a three-family home would save about \$50 a month on their water bills, and single-family homeowners would save about \$15 per month.

“It doesn’t really cost a whole bunch, but it is a simple way of showing the people who live here that we, the council, care about them and that we want more people to come

to our city,” said Recupero. “We are trying to alleviate some of the problem with the water. It’s an essential part of life, but it’s gotten so expensive.”

Recupero said he hopes the State House approves the measure, but might not because it is the first time something like this has been brought forward.

“But it never hurts to try,” he said.

MBTA /

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benefit if there was a change in routes for one of the buses, and asked City Manager Thomas Ambrosino to contact the MBTA to see if they could change the route of the 117 bus. He suggested the route could travel down Crescent Avenue all the way past Eastern Avenue before going down Clinton Street and turning onto Broadway going into Revere.

“I would argue, looking at this, that if you are at the end of Crescent and Clinton, and you have a carriage or you are elderly, that to make someone walk half a mile or more

to the nearest bus stop makes no sense whatsoever,” said Avellaneda.

Avellaneda noted that there is no other part of the city that lacks easy access to bus service.

“Admiral Hill has bus service, yes, we complain about it’s frequency, but at least they have a bus,” he said. “Prattville has a bus, Central Ave. has a bus,” he said. “I just think that it would help that corner of the city if we can make one little adjustment to that bus route and see if we can get a couple of stops there.”

District 5 Councillor Judith Garcia said she

supported the initiative, and added that GreenRoots has also recently undertaken a public discussion of public transit and bus routes in Chelsea.

“I look forward to seeing what happens,” she said. “It doesn’t sound like the councillor is asking to reinvent the wheel. This is a bus route that has existed for years, and what we are talking about and the underlying issue I am hearing about is accessibility. Let’s make our transportation accessible in our community, that’s not too much to ask for.”

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Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.


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WHAT’S OLD IS NEW

As this is being written, a huge Russian Army is standing ready and poised, at the whim of Russian dictator Vladimir Putin, to invade the nation of Ukraine, potentially bringing death and devastation to Europe on a scale not seen since 1939 when Nazi Germany invaded Poland with a blitzkrieg.

As was the case in 1939, when authoritarian leaders in Germany, Italy, and Japan combined to form an Axis, Putin and his fellow dictator, Xi Jinping of China, are conspiring to set the world ablaze. Putin has Ukraine in his crosshairs and Xi likewise has his sights set on an invasion of Taiwan.

The big difference between now and then is that these dictators possess nuclear weapons, which makes an all-out war unthinkable.

That means that they can get away with pretty much anything. They know that the U.S., which is their only countervailing force, will be hesitant to engage them directly because of the threat of escalation into a nuclear conflict.

Another difference between now and then is that both Russia and China have the ability to wreak havoc throughout the world by means of cyber warfare. The world economy, including that of the U.S., is incredibly vulnerable to Russian and Chinese hacks.

Make no mistake about it -- if the U.S. imposes the severe economic sanctions on Russia that are being promised by the Biden administration, the Russians will retaliate with a scale of cyber warfare that will make the hacks of last year look like child’s play.

Another key difference between 1939 and today is that Russia plays a huge role in the world’s energy markets. Although the Russian economy is only a fraction the size of California’s, Russia serves as the major energy provider for Western Europe. A shutdown of the delivery of Russian natural gas and oil to Europe will drive energy prices skyrocketing beyond their already-high levels.

Our so-called allies in the Middle East, especially Saudi Arabia, could help out, but they’re in bed with the Russians. Their decision to keep oil output artificially low is creating an energy crisis not seen since the Arab oil embargoes of the 1970s and early 1980s.

In addition, U.S. oil producers have joined the Saudi-Russian oil-opoly by limiting energy production in this country, thereby keeping prices artificially high. If energy prices continue their upward trend, the Biden administration may have to order a nationalization of the oil industry to increase domestic output.

World history has shown that dictators do what dictators do. Putin, Xi, and MBS essentially are dictators for life and face no consequences for their policies and actions in their own countries. All three have cracked down brutally on political opponents and various ethnic groups that may pose even a remote threat to their regimes.

As they seek to expand their authoritarian regimes beyond their borders, world peace will be in peril.
Dark days lie ahead.

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GUEST OP-ED

We all face challenges

us. Mask wearing, vaccinations and the fear of gathering have tormented us. The loss of family and friends who went into Intensive Care Units and never came home haunts us. Can we begin to imagine how they felt as they struggled to breathe on respirators their last few days of life?

We have all faced news that a loved one was killed on the battlefield, or someone died suddenly of a heart attack, or received news of terminal cancer.

Typically, we ask why? We ask God, “Why has this happened?” or “Why me, God?” Often there is rarely a good answer. We can analyze and say, “This could have been prevented. Or, this is how he or she should have lived their lives.” Sports fans making suggestions from their recliners while watching reruns always see how the play could have been run better.

Life is always in motion. We make decisions. We react to situations differently. We don’t always do the right thing and emotions often overturn commonsense.

The reality is that we all face and walk through fires. Most of the time we’re hopeful that everything will work out alright. Often, things do. Unfortunately, everything doesn’t always work out alright. If we manage to survive, that’s when we have to help others who are crushed in spirit, who can’t see the light of day for the darkness in their lives.

Ukraine needs their allies or they will never be the same. It can’t be all the United States. We can’t save everyone and have proved it over and again from Afghanistan to Iraq to Vietnam.

There are always those around you who need your emotional and spiritual

support. If nothing else, friendship and a word of kindness and support are always meaningful.

Most of the time, we feel as if we face our greatest challenges alone. A lonely place of desperation is a dark place to be.

Don’t ever go there. Look to God. When money, friends, education, hospitals, doctors and the church can’t fix what you are facing God can see you through. He never leaves us or forsakes us. His hand is strong and nothing can pull us out of his mighty hand.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week In over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

Grant application process for financial literacy programs for Massachusetts veteran-serving organizations is now open

The State Treasurer’s Office of Economic Empowerment, in partnership with the Division of Banks and the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, are now accepting applications for the 2022 round of Operation Money Wise grants. This funding supports Veteran-serving non-profit organizations, public agencies, and higher education institutions to improve pre-existing financial education programs or to create new ones aimed at increasing personal finance knowledge within the Military, Veteran, Family, and Survivor Community (MVFSC).

Funding is possible through a Division of Banks settlement over alleged unlawful lending practices and a total of \$75,000 has been committed to this year’s grant program. Eligible organizations providing financial education programs to the MVFSC will be considered for awards of up to \$5,000. Since the inception of this program, over 6,600 members of the military community have been served with this funding.

The grant requirements and application are available online at: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-operation-money-wise>. Applications will be accepted until Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 5 pm EST.

“Operation Money Wise empowers our veterans and their families to make informed financial decisions,” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “With this funding, more servicemembers will have access to resources and tools that will help them improve their economic well-being.”

“This grant opportunity is a significant way to help support the Massachusetts Veteran community. We’re excited to provide the funding for this initiative again, especially at a time when this type of programming is so vital for Veterans and the groups that serve them,” said Edward A. Palleschi, Undersecretary for the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, whose office oversees the Division of Banks.

“We’re proud to offer this grant again to help Veterans receive the in-

formation they need to improve their financial skillset. With funding available this year, we hope to reach more Veterans by facilitating innovative programs from Veteran-serving organizations throughout the state,” said Mary Gallagher, Commissioner of Banks.

Over \$160,000 has been awarded since the inception of the financial literacy grant in 2016. Operation Money Wise is designed to empower the military community and their families in the Commonwealth through financial education. This grant opportunity allows organizations to use their knowledge and expertise to design or enhance a program that would best serve their community. Many of these workshops will include strategy sessions on basic budgeting, managing debt, preparing for retirement and decisions around money.

About the Office of Economic Empowerment Treasurer Goldberg created the Office of Economic Empowerment (OEE) with the goal of increasing financial stability for everyone in Massa-

chusetts. The office works to promote programs that serve women, families, high school students, Veterans, and seniors. Its initiatives focus on closing the race and gender wage gap, racial equity, increasing access to financial education, improving college affordability, and investing in STEM careers and education.

About the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation

The Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation led by Undersecretary Edward A. Palleschi works to protect and empower consumers through advocacy and education, while ensuring a fair playing field for the Massachusetts businesses its agencies regulate.

About the Division of Banks

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Eating Well With Diabetes

FAMILY FEATURES

Can changing how you eat change your life? If you're one of the nearly 75 million Americans who have diabetes or pre-diabetes, it can. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) diabetes is a group of diseases marked by high levels of blood glucose resulting from the body not producing or properly using insulin, a hormone that converts sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life. The good news is that diabetes can be managed with diet, exercise and medication (if needed). Some easy-to-follow meal planning tips include:

- **Veg Out:** Choose from the rainbow of colors available to maximize vegetable variety.
- **Fiber Up:** Look for foods that are fiber-rich, such as oatmeal, fruit and fiber-enriched pasta.
- **Eat Lean:** Choose skinless turkey or chicken breast, fish and lean cuts of meat (identified by "loin" or "round").
- **Drink Free:** Drink water and calorie-free beverages instead of those sweetened with sugar.
- **Be Consistent:** Three meals with an occasional healthy snack help keep blood glucose regulated and prevent overeating.

"Keeping blood glucose levels as close to normal as possible is the main goal for people with diabetes. And food choices certainly play a significant role in that," said Tami Ross, RD, LD, CDE and 2008 Diabetes Care and Education Diabetes Educator of the Year. "The good news is that there are now more food products on the market than ever before to help people with diabetes in their quest to maintain blood glucose levels without sacrificing taste."

One such product is Dreamfields pasta, which has twice the fiber, fewer digestible carbohydrates and a 65 percent lower glycemic index than traditional pasta. Its delicious taste and nutritional benefits make it a flavorful, nourishing pasta that's good for the entire family.

To create a healthful eating plan for your individual needs, consult with a qualified health care professional such as a registered dietitian or certified diabetes educator. For more information on diabetes visit www.diabetes.org. For delicious pasta recipes, visit www.dreamfieldsfoods.com.

No-Boil Lasagna

Preparation Time: 30 minutes

Cook Time: 50 minutes

Standing Time: 15 minutes

Makes 8 main dish servings

- 1 pound 90% lean ground beef
- 2 cups sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 jar (26 ounces) no-fat-added marinara sauce
- 1 can (14.5 ounces) diced tomatoes with basil, garlic and oregano, undrained
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 container (15 ounces) no-fat ricotta cheese
- 1/4 cup egg substitute OR 1 egg, beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 10 uncooked Dreamfields lasagna noodles
- 1/2 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1 1/2 cups shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

1. Preheat oven to 375°F. Heat large skillet over medium heat. Brown ground beef until no longer pink, about 7 minutes, stirring to break up beef; drain. Add mushrooms, onion and garlic; cook 3 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in marinara sauce, diced tomatoes. Water; simmer, uncovered, 10 minutes.
2. In medium bowl stir together ricotta, egg substitute, salt and pepper.
3. In deep (12 x 10 x 2 1/2-inch) lasagna pan, or baking dish, spread 2 1/2 cups meat sauce. Place 4 noodles lengthwise and one noodle crosswise (break to fit) in a single layer, pressing noodles lightly. Spread half of ricotta mixture over noodles. Sprinkle with 1/4 cup Parmesan and 1/2 cup mozzarella. Spread 2 1/2 cups meat sauce over cheese. Layer remaining noodles, ricotta mixture and Parmesan. Spread with remaining meat sauce.
4. Cover with aluminum foil. Bake at 375°F for 40 minutes. Uncover; sprinkle with remaining mozzarella. Continue baking 10 minutes. Let stand 15 minutes.

Nutrition information per serving (1/8 of recipe): 405 calories, 31 g protein, 22 g digestible carbohydrates*, 11 g total fat, 5 g saturated fat, 49 mg cholesterol, 855 mg sodium, 6 g total dietary fiber
*If traditional pasta is used in this recipe there are a total of 44 g carbohydrates.



Mexican Spaghetti Pie

Preparation Time: 30 minutes

Cook Time: 25 minutes

Standing Time: 5 minutes

Makes 4 main dish servings

- 8 ounces uncooked Dreamfields Spaghetti
 - 1 tablespoon canola oil
 - 1/4 cup egg substitute OR 1 egg, beaten
 - 1/2 pound 90% lean ground beef or ground turkey breast
 - 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
 - 1 cup prepared salsa
 - 1 cup frozen whole kernel corn
 - Nonstick cooking spray
 - 1/2 cup shredded reduced-fat Cheddar cheese
 - Cherry tomatoes, cut up (optional)
 - Fresh cilantro (optional)
1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Cook spaghetti according to package directions; drain. Return to warm pan; toss with oil. Stir in egg substitute.
 2. Meanwhile, heat medium skillet over medium heat. Brown ground beef and bell pepper until beef is no longer pink and pepper is tender, stirring to break up beef; drain. Stir in salsa and corn.
 3. Coat 9-inch deep dish pie plate with cooking spray. Press spaghetti mixture onto bottom and up sides of pie plate. Top with beef mixture.
 4. Bake in 350°F oven 25 to 30 minutes or until heated through. Top with cheese. Let stand 5 to 10 minutes. Serve with cherry tomatoes and cilantro, if desired.

Nutrition information per serving (1/4 of recipe): 414 calories, 27 g protein, 19 g digestible carbohydrates*, 13 g total fat, 4 g saturated fat, 44 mg cholesterol, 583 mg sodium, 7 g total dietary fiber
*If traditional pasta is used in this recipe there are a total of 56 g carbohydrates.



Nearly 6 million people don't know they have diabetes.

Symptoms include:

- Excessive thirst
- Extreme hunger
- Frequent urination
- Unplanned weight loss
- Increased fatigue
- Irritability
- Blurry vision

If you feel you are at risk, see your doctor right away.

Types of diabetes

Type 1 diabetes

The body fails to produce insulin, the hormone that "unlocks" the cells of the body, allowing glucose to enter and fuel them.

Type 2 diabetes

This results from the body's inability to properly use insulin, combined with relative insulin deficiency. Some can control type 2 diabetes with diet, weight-loss and exercise. Others take one or more medications, including insulin.

Pre-diabetes

Blood glucose levels are higher than normal but not high enough for a diagnosis of diabetes.

Garlic-Cream Penne and Chicken

Preparation Time: 30 minutes

Cook Time: 12 minutes

Makes 4 main dish servings

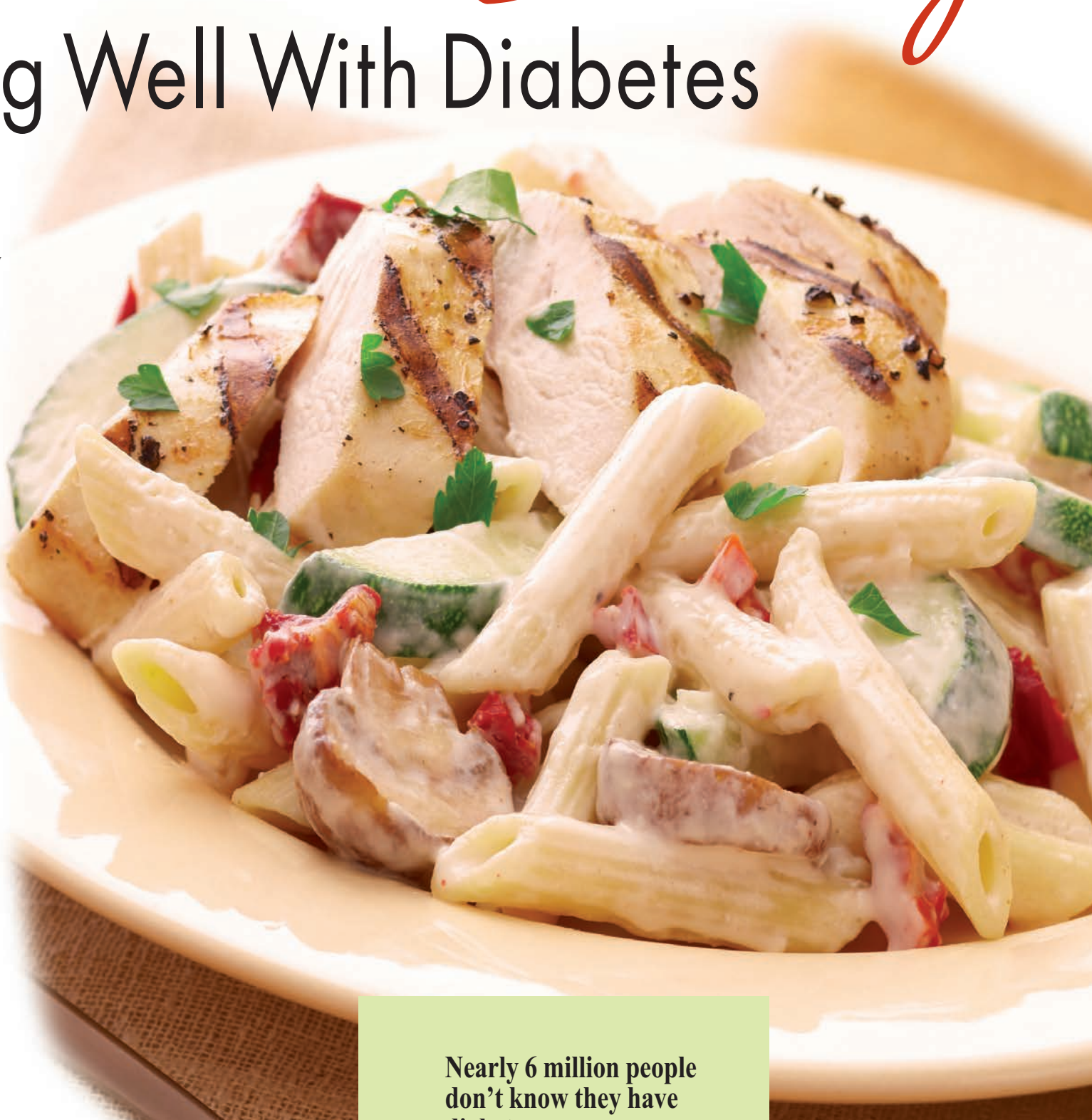
- 4 medium skinless, boneless chicken breast halves (about 1 pound total)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 8 ounces (about 2 cups) uncooked Dreamfields Penne Rigate
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large zucchini (10 to 12 ounces), halved lengthwise and sliced
- 2 cups sliced mushrooms
- 2 to 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1/2 of 8-ounce tub fat-free cream cheese
- 1/4 cup dried tomatoes (not packed in oil), chopped
- 1 to 2 tablespoons snipped fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese (optional)

1. Sprinkle chicken with salt and pepper. Grill chicken on rack of uncovered grill over medium heat 12 to 15 minutes until chicken is no longer pink (170°F), turning once.
2. Cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Return to pan; cover and keep warm.
3. Meanwhile, heat oil in large skillet over medium heat. Cook zucchini, mushrooms and garlic 5 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender, stirring occasionally. Add to pasta.
4. In small bowl whisk together broth and flour. Add to warm skillet with cream cheese. Whisk until smooth and bubbly. Cook and stir 1 minute. Stir in tomatoes. Add pasta to pan; toss to coat. Divide pasta mixture among four plates. Cut chicken into thin slices; arrange over pasta. Sprinkle with parsley and Parmesan cheese, if desired.

Note: Chicken can be broiled instead of grilled.

Nutrition information per serving (1/4 of recipe): 425 calories, 43 g protein, 14 g digestible carbohydrates*, 8 g total fat, 2 g saturated fat, 77 mg cholesterol, 620 mg sodium, 7 g total dietary fiber

*If traditional pasta is used in this recipe there are a total of 51 g carbohydrates.



Boston Symphony violinist Lucia Lin headlines North Shore Philharmonic Winter Concert

Boston Symphony Orchestra violinist Lucia Lin will play the Jean Sibelius Violin Concerto No. 1 as the featured soloist highlighting the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra Winter Concert on Sunday, February 27. Music Director Robert Lehmann will raise his baton to start the concert at 3:00 p.m. at Swampscott High School auditorium.

The concert program will open with Michail Gliko's "Overture to „Russian and Ludmilla”" and conclude with Carl Nielsen's Symphony No. 1.

Tickets can be pur-



Violinist Lucia Lin.

chased in advance on the Orchestra's website, www.nspo.org or at Swampscott High on the day of the concert for \$30. \$25 for seniors and students. Chil-

dren 12 and under are admitted free.

Violinist Lucia Lin joined the Boston Symphony Orchestra in 1985 and has enjoyed a stellar career as soloist, chamber musician, and recording artist. She debuted at age 11 when she performed Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Since then, she has won numerous competitions, including the 1990 International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow. She has appeared with the Boston Pops, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, the Oklahoma Symphony

Orchestra, the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, and the Festival Orchestra in Graz, Austria. She has served as the BSO's assistant concertmaster and also has held concertmaster roles with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and London Symphony Orchestra. She previously appeared with the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra in 2015.

Danish Composer Carl Nielsen wrote his first Symphony in 1891-92 and dedicated the work to his wife, renowned sculptor Anne Marie Carl-Nielsen. The work is known for its distinctively "Danish" fla-

vors and Nielsen's personal style.

Out of concern for the health and safety of all musicians and audience members, the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra requires all patrons attending the concert present proof of a Covid-19 vaccination, or proof of a negative Covid-19 test no more than 72 hours prior to the concert. Home tests are not accepted. Patrons will be required to wear masks and socially distance in the auditorium.

For more information about the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra, visit nspo.org.

BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins on the road again

Following Boston's impressive 5-1 win over the NHL's top team, the Colorado Avalanche, the Bruins have to be feeling good. It was a contest that had Boston as the likely underdog, considering the fact that Colorado was in the midst of a 14-game point streak (12-0-2) that included one tie and one overtime loss. The Bs also put an end to Colorado's season high road win streak at seven games. The game sparked some much needed offense, with the majority of scoring coming from David Pastrnak (two goals #26-27/one assist) and Taylor Hall (three assists). Pastrnak summed up the game with, "I think it was the best game of this year, if we're talking about the full game and

60 minutes, we just stayed in the moment." We were really energized, and it was a great win for us, a big two points. Credit to coach Bruce Cassidy and his decision to continue to keep Pastrnak and Hall together. The positive aspect of the scoring was the fact that it was pretty much spread out, with a host of players involved. Captain Patrice Bergeron notched goal #13 plus an assist; Charlie McAvoy provided two assists; hard-working Jake DeBrusk contributed his ninth goal of the season; with Charlie Coyle finishing off the scoring with this 12th goal of the season in the third period. Add to the bottom line, the superb play of Jeremy Swayman in goal, stopping 28 of the 29 shots he

faced versus the high-scoring Avalanche. Interesting to see that since T u u k - k a Rask's departure, Swayman has posted his best efforts of the season, with a 3-1-1 record that includes a 1.60 goals-against-average and a .944 save percentage.

Tonight (Thursday), the Bruins, with a 3-1-1 record for their last five games, hit the road to begin a six games in ten days stretch, packed with one back to back, and a game every other night. Following tonight's (Thursday) matchup with the newbie's – the Seattle



Kraken (2/24 at 10:00 p.m.), they will next make a stop in San Jose to play the struggling Sharks on Saturday (2/26 at 10:00pm)).

Their back-to-back series will happen with a Monday (2/28 at 10:30pm) game versus the Los Angeles Kings, and the back end will occur in Anaheim on Tuesday (3/1 at 10:00pm) when they try to silence the Ducks. After fans have lost considerable sleep due to the late start of those four previous games, the next stop will be in Vegas on Thursday (3/3 at 9:00pm) to face the Golden Knights, before

closing out their extensive road trip with a final stop in Columbus on Saturday (3/5 at 7:00pm) to take on the Blue Jackets, who at press time (Wednesday), were on a streak that had them winning eight of their last ten game.

SLAP SHOTS: The Boston Bruins have acquired the rights to a college hockey player from Massachusetts in a trade with the Arizona Coyotes. Bruins general manager Don Sweeney announced that the team landed the rights to defenseman Michael Callahan from Arizona in exchange for Boston's seventh-round pick in the 2024 NHL Entry Draft. Callahan, a local guy, is a Franklin native, and is still finishing his se-

nior season at Providence College. The 22-year-old blue liner is a team captain for the Friars and has tallied 13 goals and 53 assists with a plus-23 rating in 134 games across four collegiate seasons (2018-22). Callahan, listed at 6 feet, 2 inches, and 200 pounds, was drafted by the Coyotes with the 142nd overall pick in the fifth round of the 2018 NHL Entry Drafts. Some good news on the horizon, Brad Marchand is set to return after serving his entire six-game suspension. Meanwhile, Urho Vaakanainen was taken off the injured reserve on Thursday but was forced to sit out of Monday night's game versus the Colorado Avalanche with an undisclosed ailment.



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CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS IN HOOP ACTION AGAINST EAST BOSTON

Chelsea topped East Boston in a noon-time tussle at East Boston High School Tuesday.



Eldon Bonitto (24) keeps East Boston’s Daquan Hinnant (11) and Anthony Holman away from the ball.



Chelsea’s Erick Galeano-Flores gets a pass off in front of East Boston’s Angel Franco (1).



Eldon Bonitto works his way past East Boston’s Angel Franco.



Chelsea’s Jayden Baptista keeps a close guard on East Boston’s Angel Franco.



East Boston’s Leroy Martin (2) tries to block a pass by Chelsea’s Jonathan Alvarez (15).



Chelsea’s Jayden Baptista crashes into East Boston’s Daquan Hinnant in the battle for a rebound.

CHS ROUNDUP

CHS TRACK TRIO COMPETES AT D-2

Three members of the Chelsea High boys and girls track teams competed at the Division 2 State Meet held this past Sunday at the Reggie Lewis Center for which they had qualified during the regular season.

The chief highlight for the Red Devils was the performance of Gizelle Rodriguez, who broke her own CHS record in the 600 meter dash with a time of 1:45.02, which placed Gizelle in 15th place at the meet.

For the boys, Emmanuel Simon finished 22nd in the 55 meter dash with a clocking of 6.98 seconds and Jeffrey Ponce finished 14th in the shot-put with a toss of 42’-3”.

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OBITUARIES

Todd Allen Martin

April 29, 1966 – February 14, 2022

Todd Allen Martin passed away at Boston Medical Center on Tuesday, February 14 into the arms of his loving Savior.

He was the youngest child of Isabelle (Lopes) Martin and the late William “Cornney” Martin. Born in Lynn on April 29, 1966, he was 55 years old. Todd grew up in Everett and went to Everett High School. He and his family lived in the same house for over 30 years. He recently went to school and received his CDL license.

He worked many different jobs in his life and was always true to his family values by making sure he always gave his all to doing good work. He loved the Lord, he often read and quoted from his many bibles. He frequently discussed the Lord’s word with his mother, his family and friends.

To mourn his passing and cherish his memory he leaves his beloved mother, Isabelle (Lopes) Martin, his loving siblings - Elizabeth (Bette) Tucker, William (Neil) Martin, Kim Martin and



David Martin. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends to mourn his passing, grieve for him, and celebrate his love for life. He will be missed by all.

Family and friends are most kindly invited to visit at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The visitation will be followed by a funeral service and life tribute at 2 p.m. Services will conclude in the funeral home and will be followed by a repass meal at Anthony’s of Malden, 102 Canal St., Malden.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



John Albert Cardone

June 11, 1946 – February 20, 2022

John Albert Cardone was born on June 11, 1946 in Chelsea to his beloved parents, Maria E. (Bilardi) and Albert N. Cardone. He remained a lifelong resident of Chelsea. He was predeceased by his stepfather Lawrence D. Cardone.

John attended Chelsea High School where he was a member of the Latin Club and Traffic Squad. He completed a degree program in Aeronautical and Space Engineering Technology at the Wentworth Institute of Technology. He was nicknamed “the Thinker” of his class. John also went on to complete a Bachelor of Engineering Technology at Northeastern University in 1985. John retired several years ago after working as an engineer for many years at Raytheon Technologies.

In his lifetime John enjoyed taking frequent road trips all along the east coast, traveling from Niagara Falls to Orlando, FL. John enjoyed quick jaunts to Kittery and York Beach, ME. He created especially fond memories for his family when he took them to the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

John lived a quiet, simple life and found joy in his favorite hobbies. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and was always trying to make them laugh. He enjoyed spending time in the comfort of his home, practicing carpentry and tending to his garden with the help of his most treasured dog, Lucky.

John was the beloved father of Dr. Anthony Cardone, DMD and his wife, Sheree of Saugus and John L. Cardone and his wife, Melissa of Swampscott; cherished grandpa to Aubrey and Luca Cardone of Saugus and Lilly Cardone of Swampscott;



the dear older brother to RoseAnne Musto and her husband, Paul of Saugus and Lawrence M. Cardone and his wife, Kathy of Chelsea. John is also survived by his former spouse, Michelle Cardone of Revere. He leaves behind many nieces and nephews: Steve and Jen Polidoro of Reading, Lisa and Flavio Pellegrino of Saugus, Paul and Briana Gregorio of Revere, Maria Cardone of Chelsea and grand-nieces and nephews: Stephen and Sophie Polidoro of Reading, and Bella, Nicky and Gianna Pellegrino of Saugus.

Per order of the Chelsea Board of Health, all visitors are required to wear face masks while in the Funeral Home.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend his funeral which will begin from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday, February 24 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church, 59 Nichols St., Chelsea at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

John was an avid animal lover. In remembrance of John, the family asks that any charitable donations be made to the Animal Rescue League of Boston: <https://www.arlboston.org>

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



Catherine Cunningham

She will be remembered for her kindness, generosity and sense of humor.

Catherine F. “Cathy” (McCarthy) Cunningham passed away after a long illness on February 10 surrounded by family at the age of 77.

Born in Chelsea, she was the daughter of the late Joseph J. and Frances H. (Doherty) McCarthy. She leaves behind her beloved son, Leo P. Cunningham along with his wife, Nicole and their children, Chloe, William (Sanford) and Leo P. Cunningham, II. She also leaves her brother, Leo McCarthy and his partner, Nancy A. Baynes of East Sandwich, her devoted friend, Lucy Tramonte of Chelsea, loving Godson, Domenic Saraceni and her nieces: Charlene, Trina and Jeannie May. She was also predeceased by her brother, James J. “Icky” McCarthy

Well known in the community, she worked in the service industry for many years. She will be remembered for her kindness,



generosity and sense of humor. Her personality allowed her to connect with all she met regardless of circumstance. She will be missed.

A Celebration of Life Ceremony was held in the Smith Funeral Home 125 Washington Ave., Chelsea on Thursday, February 17.

Funeral Services and entombment private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St Anthony’s Shrine, 100 Arch St. Boston, MA 02110 or at www.stanthonyshrine.org.

Louis Rossetti, Sr.

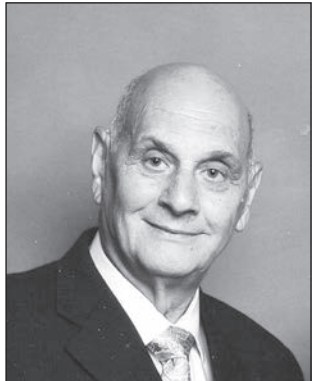
Co-owner of Nardizzi’s Restaurant in Revere and Chelsea

Louis A. Rossetti, Sr. of Chelsea, formerly of Revere, died peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on February 21.

A U.S. Army veteran, who saw action during the Korean

Conflict, Louis was born and raised in Revere, graduating from Revere schools prior to moving to Chelsea where he raised his family and resided until his passing. He was active in the Chelsea, Revere and Everett Youth Hockey programs as well as the Chelsea Senior Center and was Co-owner of Nardizzi’s Restaurant in Revere and Chelsea.

The devoted husband of Mary Lou (Brennan), he was the beloved father of Robin McCarron and her husband, James of Revere, Louis A. Rossetti, Jr. and his late wife, Kathy (Hartman) of Chelsea and Richard Rossetti and his husband, Cameron Harris of Chelsea; brother of Susan Benenati, Dominic, Thomas, Dennis, Robert and Steven Rossetti, all of Revere; cherished grandfather of Ashleigh Rossetti of Chelsea, Kayla and James McCarron, both of Revere and John Mederios of Chelsea. He is also lovingly survived by his great granddaughter, Destiny Rossetti and his daughter-



in-law, Cheryl Rossetti as well as many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are kindly invited to attend a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere Street, Revere on Friday, February 25 at 10 a.m. Those attending are asked to meet directly at church and be seated prior to the arrival of the family.

Visiting hours will be held in the Smith Funeral Home, 125 Washington Avenue, Chelsea today, Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Services will conclude with interment with Military Honors at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

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Abraham Engber

Member of Germania Boston Lodge of
Masons and Temple Emmanuel of Chelsea

Abraham “Mitzi” Engber of Melrose, formerly of Chelsea, passed away on February 17.

The beloved husband of 70 years of Irene (Saganov) Engber, Abraham was a proud WWII Veteran who served in the US Navy aboard Aircraft Carrier USS Bunker Hill. During his service, Abraham earned 13 battle stars.

After serving, he became a partner in the family business, L. Engber and Sons Textile Co., located in Chelsea.

Abraham was a proud Chelsea native, who hung out with buddies on 5th Street and met some of his closest lifelong friends from the Chelsea Schools. Abraham was a tremendous athlete who loved watching sports and was an avid Red Sox and Patriots fan. He also was a

Mason at the Germania Boston Lodge and a longtime member of Temple Emmanuel.

Abraham was the devoted father of Jeffrey Engber and his wife, Cassandra and Michele Engber and her loving companion, Joe DiMarino, the dear brother of the late Fred Engber, the late Louis Engber, and the late Sarah Litchman and the loving grandfather of Corinne and Melanie.

Graveside services will be held on Sunday, February 20 at 12 Noon at Temple Emmanuel Cemetery, 16 Buxton Road, Danvers. Donations in Abraham’s memory may be made to Kaplan Family Hospice House, 78 Liberty Street, Danvers, MA 01923.

For online guestbook and directions, please visit the funeral home website: www.torffuneralservice.com.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

PIERS PARK PROJECT IS ON TRACK

EAST BOSTON - At a Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association (JPNA) meeting, Massport’s Anthony Guerriero said the Piers Park project is on track to be completed by the end of the 2023 calendar year.

“We’re still scheduled to open the park at the end of 2023,” said Guerriero. “We’re working very closely with the East BostonProject Advisory Committee (PierPAC). We started this process in 2017, PierPAC voted on a concept in 2019 and voted on that design in November of 2021. We’re going to be going out for bids in the late spring or early summer.”

Since 2017, Massport has collaborated with East Boston residents and PierPAC members on a design for Piers Phase Park II. At a community meeting in 2019 Massport officials and members of PierPAC narrowed down the design options for the new park to three and presented those options to residents.

Then in 2021 PierPAC narrowed the options down to one.

Massport has contracted Kleinfelder Northeast Prime as the park’s landscape architecture and Pressley Associates to work with Kleindfelder in incorporating climate resilience designs into the park to deal with future sea level rise. Piers Park II will be elevated to match the existing Piers Park and seamlessly extend the Harborwalk and connect the walking paths of both parks.

The new park will also have berms to prevent flooding along Marginal Street. Additional resilient and sustainable elements will be incorporated in the Park’s final design.

“We are building a park not for 2023 but for 2040,” said Guerriero of incorporating seas level rise mitigation into the design. “This design will address not only the needs of the neighborhood now but the needs of East Boston in the future.”

The \$15 million construction project will transform the 4.5-acre waterfront park adjacent to the 11-acre Piers Park on Marginal Street into a recreational space that is conducive for multi-generational activities.

Under the plan, a 1.07-acre play area will be the centerpiece of Piers Park II. While Piers Park is a passive park, Piers Park II will be an active park that allows for multiple usage, including sports activities by more than one group at the same time. The oval-shaped field will be surrounded with new water features, a picnic grove, several exercise equipment geared for active seniors, and a children’s area with a playground structure and a wandering path with musical instruments.

A new 1,000 square foot building for Piers Park Sailing Center and public restrooms will also be built. At the meeting residents got a look of the Sailing Center’s new home for the first time.

“We’ve been getting some input from (PPSC Executive Director) Alex DeFronzo and his team to give them the space that they need,” said Guerriero. “Instead of the current trailer they operate out of this would be a permanent structure with a lot of win-

dows so they can see out onto the docks and the harbor.”

Guerriero said the park would be secured, monitored and maintained by Massport just like the award winning Piers Park.

“Once we choose a contractor it should take about 18 to 20 months to complete,” said Guerriero. “We are going through the permitting process now in order to get that out of the way and be ready to go once bids come back.”

The park is one of several high impact mitigation projects identified by both the City of Boston and members of the Logan Impact Advisory Group (LIAG) through their review for both the Terminal E modernization and the future construction of 5,000 additional parking spaces at Boston Logan International Airport.

MAYOR CALLS FOR INVESTIGATION INTO CAMERAS IN TAHILIANI’S SCHOOL OFFICE

EVERETT - Everett Superintendent Priya Tahiliani said she discovered surveillance cameras in the ceiling of her office on or about January 28, according to an article in the Boston Globe last week.

According to the article, neither Tahiliani nor the authorities will comment while the matter is under investigation.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria issued the following statement: “I am extremely disturbed by the allegation, apparently verified, that cameras were found in the office of the Everett School Superintendent. I have given instructions to City officials that an investigation be immediately undertaken to determine how this occurred and who is responsible.

“However, in order to ensure that such an investigation is as comprehensive as possible, I call upon the Office of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth and the Middlesex District Attorney to conduct their own investigations, in order that those responsible can be held accountable to the fullest extent provided by law.”

MS-13 LEADER SENTENCED TO PRISON

LYNN - A leader of MS-13 was sentenced in federal court in Boston for RICO conspiracy and his participation in the July 2018 murder of a teenage boy in Lynn, who suffered at least 32 sharp force trauma wounds consistent with being stabbed repeatedly, along with blunt force injuries to the head.

Erick Lopez Flores, a/k/a “Mayimbu,” 33, of Lynn, was sentenced by U.S. Senior District Court Judge Mark L. Wolf to 40 years in prison and five years of supervised release. In July 2020, Lopez Flores pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to conduct enterprise affairs through a pattern of racketeering activity, also known as RICO conspiracy, on behalf of the MS-13 gang. As part of his plea, Lopez Flores also admitted that he participated in the 2018 murder of a teenager, who was murdered with extreme atrocity and cruelty, and with deliberate premeditation, in violation of Massachusetts law.

MS-13, or La Mara Salvatrucha, is a transnational street gang operating in Massachusetts and numerous other states, as well as countries such as El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala. MS-13 gang members often commit acts of extreme violence against suspected rivals, those suspected of cooperating with law enforcement, and others who the gang views as a threat. In recent years, dozens of MS-13 members have been convicted of RICO conspiracy and other serious felonies in the District of Massachusetts.

MS-13 is organized into “cliques” or branches operating in local territories. Lopez Flores belonged to the “Sykos Locos Salvatrucha” clique of MS-13, which operated in the cities of Lynn, Chelsea and other parts of Massachusetts. Lopez Flores was one of the leaders of the Sykos clique and had been an MS-13 member since approximately 2006.

In November 2018, Lopez Flores and five other MS-13 members of the Sykos clique were indicted following an investigation into the murder of a teenage boy, whose body was found in a park in Lynn on Aug. 2, 2018. The six defendants in this case included five participants in the murder, as well as one longstanding member of the Sykos clique. In a related case, the government charged a juvenile co-conspirator who was the sixth person involved in the murder.

The evidence in this case, which included a recording of one of Lopez Flores’ co-defendants describing the murder in graphic detail, revealed that Lopez Flores and five other MS-13 gang members murdered the victim based on their mistaken belief that he may have been assisting law enforcement.

On July 30, 2018, the gang members lured the victim to a playground and at least four of them were armed with knives. The group pretended to be friendly with the unsuspecting victim and took him to a wooded area of the park. At the scene, the gang members surrounded the victim and repeatedly stabbed him to death. At least four of the six assailants stabbed the victim, while Lopez Flores and a juvenile gang member assisted at the scene. Lopez Flores authorized the murder in his capacity as one of the leaders of the clique. After killing the victim, the gang members left his body in the wooded area of the public park. An autopsy revealed that the victim suffered at least 32 sharp force trauma wounds consistent with being stabbed repeatedly, along with blunt force injuries to the head.

All six defendants indicted in this case, along with the juvenile charged in the related case, have pleaded guilty. Lopez Flores is the first defendant to be sentenced. Jonathan Tercero Yanes, a/k/a “Desalmado,” is scheduled to be sentenced on Feb. 15, 2022 for RICO conspiracy and his participation in the July 2018 murder; Henri Salvador Gutierrez, a/k/a “Perverso,” is scheduled to be sentenced on Feb. 16, 2022 for RICO conspiracy and his participation in the July 2018 murder, as well as his participation in a December 2016 murder in East Boston; and Djabier Duggins, a/k/a “Haze,” is

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State Undersecretary for the Office of Community Affairs and Business Regulation Edward A. Palleschi (right) is pictured with Colleen Toner, owner of Toner Real Estate, whose business received a Certificate of Excellence in OCABR’s Licensee Recognition Program.

scheduled to be sentenced for RICO conspiracy on Feb. 17, 2022. Sentencing hearings for the two remaining co-defendants, Marlos Reyes and Eliseo Vaquerano Canas, have not yet been scheduled by the Court.

First Assistant United States Attorney Joshua S. Levy; Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Division; Matthew B. Millhollin, Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations in Boston; Colonel Christopher Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; Essex County District Attorney Jonathan W. Blodgett; Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden; Acting Boston Police Commissioner Gregory Long; and Lynn Police Chief Christopher Reddy made the

announcement. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Kunal Pasricha and Kaitlin O’Donnell of the Criminal Division prosecuted the case.

This effort is part of an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) operation. OCDETF identifies, disrupts, and dismantles the highest-level criminal organizations that threaten the United States using a prosecutor-led, intelligence-driven, multi-agency approach. Additional information about the OCDETF Program can be found at <https://www.justice.gov/OCDETF>.

REVERE’S TRANSPORTATION COSTS ARE SKYROCKETING

REVERE - At a recent Revere School Committee’s Ways and Means

subcommittee meeting, Revere Public School COO Matthew Kruse was the bearer of some bad news—Revere’s school transportation costs are skyrocketing.

“Cumulatively, we’re up 63% with some major increases there,” said Kruse. “Transportation costs this year are spectacularly higher than they were last year. So that leaves me as the CFO in conversation with Superintendent Dianne (Kelley), the CEO, to make sure we’re on the same page about a few things. One is, how are we covering the current year deficit so that we’re not holding a major problem come spring when we start to close out the fiscal year. Number two, what are we doing to correct the budget for next year, and potentially work

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KEEP YOUR HEART HEALTHY WITH GOOD FOOD CHOICES

Treat your heart as you would a friend. Making mindful food choices, moving your body regularly, and sleeping well are all key to maintaining a healthy relationship with your heart and avoiding heart disease. In recognition of National Heart Health Month, Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) Nutrition Services has the following good food choice tips

- Choose a variety of fruits and vegetables every day.
- Include whole-grain, high fiber foods such as barley, bran cereals, brown rice, buckwheat, corn, oatmeal, plain popcorn, quinoa, rye, whole wheat bread, wild rice, whole grain pasta.
- Consume fish at least twice each week, especially herring, mackerel, salmon, sardines, trout, or tuna.
- Choose lean meats and non-meat protein alternatives — chicken, turkey, fish, pork, lean beef, beans, nuts, egg substitutes, or egg whites.
- Select fat-free, skim

or 1% milk, and low-fat cheeses and low-fat yogurt. (You can also try the new variety of non-dairy milks available, such as almond milk or rice milk, which have less saturated fat than dairy.)

- Minimize your intake of partially hydrogenated fats, such as butter or margarine.
- Minimize intake of high-sugar, high-fat pastries such as muffins, donuts, cakes, pies, cookies, candies.
- Limit beverages high in added sugars such as soda, fruit punch, and sweetened coffee and teas.
- Choose & prepare foods with little or no salt.
- If you consume alcohol, do so in moderation. Dietary guidelines suggest one drink/day for women and up to two drinks for men.
- Be attentive to your portion sizes and the balance of foods on your plate. Changes in weight can put stress on your heart.

If you are interested in learning more about MVES' Nutrition Programs, please visit us at mv.es.org or call 781-324-7705.

MVES OFFERS SAFETY TIPS WHEN WALKING IN SNOWY AND ICY CONDITIONS

Each winter, slip and fall accidents cause serious injuries. Even when surfaces do not look especially icy or slippery, it is very possible that a thin sheet of transparent ice or "Black Ice" is covering your pathway putting you at risk. When you approach a footpath or roadway that appears to be covered with ice or snow, always use extreme caution. Many slips and falls happen in places people regard as safe and secure, typically outside their front door, on the doorstep, on the path or while getting out of the car.

With the winter weather upon us, Mystic Valley Elder Services' (MVES) Safety Committee advises these 10 tips to make sure you are staying safe when walking around in snowy and icy conditions.

- Walk slowly and carefully. Wear boots or other slip-resistant footwear.
- Use special care when getting in and out of vehicles. Use the vehicle for support if you need to do so.

- Watch for slippery floors when you enter any building or home.
 - Avoid walking with your hands in your pockets; this can reduce your ability to catch yourself if you lose your balance.
 - Watch out for black ice.
 - Tap your foot on potentially slick areas to see if the areas are slippery.
 - Walk as flat-footed as possible in very icy areas.
 - Avoid uneven surfaces if possible. Avoid steps or curbs with ice on them.
 - Report any untreated surfaces to your town, property owner, or work's maintenance department to help keep you safe.
 - Remember: Ice and snow mean, "take it slow!"
- If you are interested in knowing more about Mystic Valley Elder Services' programs, please visit us here or call.

FREE ICE SKATING FOR CHELSEA RESIDENTS THIS SUNDAY!

Ice skating is a great way to stay fit and meet new people! Come skate the afternoon away with family and friends. Ice skates rental is free for Chelsea residents. Bring your ID. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cronin Memorial Ice Skating Rink, 870 Revere Beach Parkway, Sunday, February 27, 2:40-4:30pm.

FUTURE LAWYERS CLUB - A LEGAL IMPROV

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tivities. Great introductory course for youth interested in pursuing a career in law or law enforcement. Mondays Feb 28-May 2 from 6-7pm, \$30. Register online: recreation.chelseama.gov or in person at the Williams Building, 180 Walnut Street, Monday - Friday 4-8:30pm and Saturday 9-4:30pm. Call (617) 466-5233.

SPRING RECREATION PROGRAMS

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ROCKLAND TRUST LAUNCHES THEIR ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM


Rockland Trust announced the launch of its 2022 Scholarship Program for students who are enrolling in a part-time or full-time undergraduate study for the first time at an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school for the entire upcoming academic year (2022-2023). Rockland Trust has expanded the program to provide up to sixteen \$3,000 renewable scholarships. This year

scholarships will be renewable up to three years or until a bachelor's degree is earned.

Rockland Trust has opened the program to high school graduates and GED recipients in addition to current high school seniors. Applications will be considered based on financial need, academic performance, participation in school and community activities, work experience, a statement of career and educational goals and objectives, and unusual personal or family circumstances. Applicants must reside in one of the following counties to be eligible: Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Middlesex, Nantucket, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, or Worcester in Massachusetts or Providence County in Rhode Island.

"Rockland Trust is delighted to enhance our annual scholarship program to reach additional students throughout the communities we serve," said Christopher Oddleifson, Chief Executive Officer at Rockland Trust. "With the renewable benefit of the program, we look forward to building a more meaningful relationship with the scholarship recipients throughout their post-secondary education as they prepare for their future."

Rockland Trust Scholarship applications will be available online at RocklandTrust.com/scholarship, beginning Tuesday, February 15th. To learn more about Rockland Trust's scholarship application, guidelines, and eligibility criteria, please visit RocklandTrust.com/Scholarship.



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on some cost saving solutions as we go forward.”

Kruse said the first thing RPS did was look at any purchase orders that were closed out from last year that have funds remaining.

“In them, which is very common because students will begin a run and then they will move or they will stop attending that school or that program,” explained Kruse. “So those funds become available in the subsequent fiscal year. Then there’s also some reimbursement for homeless transportation that comes in and helps. So the first thing we did was say we’re going to apply all of those incomes to the problem.”

Using funds from those surpluses Kruse said RPS chipped away at a \$3.3 million problem and moved it down to about a \$1.5 million deficit.

“Then we were able to allocate some of the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funding (ESSER) that came through for these transportation costs,” said Kruse. “So we’re able to reclass costs against the grant. So we are only dealing with a deficit right now of around \$100,000.”

While the City of Revere pays the bill to get the kids to school Kruse and Kelley are preparing to negotiate with the city to up transportation costs in the next budget.

“There are the costs they will need to budget for for next year,” said Kruse. “So we’ll be asking them for \$9.6 million on the schedule 19 excludable cost sheet to make sure that we are appropriately funded for next year.”

Kruse said RPS plans to send out bids this spring for the yellow buses and for some additional short bus runs as well.

“Short bus runs are going to enable us to save money,” he said. “Just imagine instead of having four minivans getting kids to a special education school, we’ll be able to just run one short bus to do those pickups. So we’re hoping to cut costs on Special Education, which was the biggest leap this year. By going out to bid for several short bus vendor runs that will eliminate the need for a couple of dozen minivan runs within the city.”

Kruse said there are some of the measures he and Kelley are working on

behind the scenes to close the transportation deficit.

“We are working on all of those things to cover this year’s deficit, to be amply funded for next year, and to have some cost savings,” said Kruse. “I just wanted you (the committee) to know because we are talking about millions of dollars of unexpected costs, and wanted to give room for any questions as we’re taking those actions.”

Committee member Carol Tye said, while she is not blaming anybody for the unexpected costs, she was concerned about increased expenses with a decrease in services.

“We need to keep that in mind,” she said.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR NEW TOWN MANAGER BEGINS

WINTHROP - Winthrop Town Council President James Letterie said the process to select the new town manager of Winthrop is underway.

“The search has begun,” said Letterie. “All the meetings of the committee (Town Manager Search Committee) will be held in executive ses-

sion because applicants are protected by privacy laws, so their names aren’t out in the public until the finalists are selected.”

Karen Chaves is chair of the Town Manager Search Committee. The other members are: School Committee member Gus Martucci (the designee of School Supt. Lisa Howard), Councillor-at-Large Robert DeMarco, former Winthrop superintendent of schools John Macero, past Town Council president Peter Gill, Viking Pride Foundation Chair Vinnie Crossman, and Citizens Finance Committee member Shannon Poulos.

The Search Committee will interview candidates in the next three to four weeks and present the names of the finalists to the Town Council.

“Once the finalists are selected, it will become a public process and the Council will conduct interviews with the finalists,” said Letterie. “Those meetings will be televised. Once those interviews are done, ultimately, I will put a name forward for the Council’s approval.”

Terence Delehanty is currently serving as the interim town manager of Winthrop.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE OF TIER II CLASSIFICATION
211 EVERETT AVENUE
CHELSEA, MA
RTN 3-33652

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase II - Comprehensive Site Assessment was performed pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0480. Based on new information, the site has been reclassified as TIER II pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0500. The City of Chelsea filed a TIER II Classification Submittal with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). To obtain more information on this disposal site, please contact Brian Miller at CDW Consultants, Inc. 6 Huron Drive, Natick, MA 01760, 508-875-2657. The Tier Classification Submittal and the disposal site file can be viewed at MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-33652 at <https://eeonline.eea.state.ma.us/portal#!/wastosite/3-0033652>, or at 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, 978-694-3200. Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.

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Regulations, Section 2.08(p) by selling or delivering alcoholic beverages to an intoxicated person on October 24, 2021; for violating the City of Chelsea Licensing Commission Rules and Regulations, Section 2.09(e) by permitting a disturbance on the premises on October 24, 2021.

CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION
Naomi Libran
Licensing Administrator

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LEGAL NOTICE


NOTICE

In accordance with Section 2-7 (b) and (d) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on February 14, 2022, the City Council voted after a second reading to adopt the following orders: Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation from Free Cash under the Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Improvement Plan for the Beacham Street Casino, Traffic Professional & Technical Services Project - Project Account No. 55401712-530000, which was fully funded by grant funds and such Free Cash balance is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Upper Broadway Right of Way and Easement Acquisition & Legal Project, Project Account No. 55402120-530000, for the purpose of easement acquisition.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation from Free Cash under the Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Plan for the McCormack Building, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA, with the Charles F. Hurley Building to follow; March 2, 2022 at 9 AM at the Pittsfield State Office Building, 333 East Street, Pittsfield, MA, followed by 11:30 at the Springfield State Office Building, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA, and 12:30 at the Springfield Data Center, 53 Elliot Street, Springfield, MA.

Minimum rates of wages to be paid on the project have been determined by the Commissioner of the Department of Labor Standards. These rates are incorporated into the bid documents. Bid documents for this project may be accessed or downloaded at no cost to potential bidders exclusively through DCAMM’s E-Bid Room <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/10279/home> no later than the date and time specified and will forthwith be publicly opened remotely by DCAMM Bid Room personnel and read aloud over a conference call line. Persons interested in accessing the remote bid opening can do so by using the following conference line

55402024-583100, has a balance remaining after the completion of the project for which the funds were authorized, and such balance is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the Upper Broadway Right of Way and Easement Acquisition & Legal Project, Project Account No. 55402120-530000, for the purpose of easement acquisition.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation from Free Cash under the Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Improvement Plan for the Complete Streets Roadway Improvement project totaling \$450,000 with combined grant funds - Project Account No. 55402119-583100, has a balance remaining after the completion of the project for which the funds were authorized and such balance is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$50,000 for the Upper Broadway Right of Way and Easement Acquisition & Legal Project, Project Account No. 55402120-530000. Copies of the orders are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA 02150. Jeannette Cintron White City Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS - CLASSIFIED LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

DIVISION OF CAPITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE

Electronic Bids submitted in the format furnished by the Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance (DCAMM) and clearly identified as a bid will be received through DCAMM’s E-Bid Room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/10279/home no later than the date and time specified and will forthwith be publicly opened remotely by DCAMM Bid Room personnel and read aloud over a conference call line. Persons interested in accessing the remote bid opening can do so by using the following conference line

number and passcode: CenturyLink Audio Conferencing Dial in number 1-877-820-7831, Passcode: 818087. Sub-Bids at 12:00 Noon: March 22, 2022 General Bids at 2:00 PM: March 31, 2022 Every Filed Sub-Bidder must be certified by DCAMM in the category for which they bid. Every General Bidder must be certified by DCAMM for the category of work listed below and for no less than the bid price plus all add alternates of this project, if applicable. The Category of Work is: Electronic Security Systems Mass. State Project No. DCP2142 Contract No. HCl Access Control System Upgrades in Certain State Facilities, Boston, Chelsea, Springfield, and Pittsfield, MA. The following Filed Sub-Bid: Electrical. E.C.C: \$2,419,146.35 This project is scheduled for 290 calendar days to substantial completion. The scope includes upgrades/modifications to Electronic Access Control Systems in the following DCAMM buildings: McCormack Building, Charles F. Hurley Building, MITC Building, Pittsfield State Office Building, Springfield Data Center, and Springfield State Office Building. A Pre-Bid meeting will be held over three days: March 1, 2022 at 9 AM, at the McCormack Building, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA, with the Charles F. Hurley Building to follow; March 2, 2022 at 9 AM at the Pittsfield State Office Building, 333 East Street, Pittsfield, MA, followed by 11:30 at the Springfield State Office Building, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA, and 12:30 at the Springfield Data Center, 53 Elliot Street, Springfield, MA.

com/businesses/10279/home, A hard copy set can be made available for viewing in DCAMM’s Bid Room located at One Ashburton Place, 15th Floor, Boston, MA during normal business hours by appointment only by contacting DCAMM’s Bid Room. In order to access bid documents and submit bids through DCAMM’s E-Bid Room potential bidders must first be verified by DCAMM’s Bid Room and then register with the E-Bid Room vendor. Instructions on the processes can be found on DCAMM’s website www.mass.gov/dcam/bids or contact DCAMM’s Bid Room at (617) 727-4003 or bidroom.dcam@mass.gov. Carol W. Gladstone COMMISSIONER Legal Advertisement (Chapter 149) Rev 8-21

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LEGAL NOTICE


Re: GreenStar Herbs, Inc. d/b/a Rise
200 Beecham Street
Chelsea, MA

Chelsea Licensing Commission Notice is hereby given that the Chelsea Licensing Commission will hold a public hearing via Zoom on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Council Conference Room, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, for an Amusement & Entertainment License application for GreenStar Herbs, Inc. d/b/a Rise at 200 Beecham Street, Chelsea, MA. 02150. Please be advised that you must notify, via Certified Return Receipt mail, all abutters of this hearing.

CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION
Naomi Libran
Licensing Administrator

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 38N, the Chelsea School Committee will hold a virtual public hearing on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving comments on: 1. School Choice for the

2022-2023 school year. 2. The proposed 2022-2023 school budget. Copies of the budget proposal will be available for inspection no later than 2 days prior to the hearing on the Chelsea Public Schools website at <https://www.chelseaschools.com/Page/2433>. Please call 617-466-4456 to request a hard copy or to have a copy emailed to you. The meeting is closed to observe social distancing guidelines. The meeting will be live streamed for the public at: Chelsea Cable TV and <https://www.facebook.com/ChelseaPublicSchools/> The agenda will be available online at the Chelsea Public Schools website: <https://www.chelsea-schools.com/Page/2485> no later than 2 days prior to the hearing. Public Comments may be submitted in several ways: Public comments can be emailed or telephoned in to the following: publichearing@chelsea-schools.com or 617-466-4456

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LEGAL NOTICE

REUNION PUBLICA
De acuerdo con el Capítulo 71, Sección 38N, el Comité Escolar de Chelsea llevará a cabo una audiencia pública virtual el jueves, 10 de marzo del 2022 a las 6:30 p.m. con el propósito de recibir comentarios sobre: 1. La Elección de las Escuelas para el año escolar 2022-2023 2. El presupuesto escolar propuesto para el año 2022-2023. Las copias de la propuesta del presupuesto estarán disponibles para su inspección dos días antes de la audiencia en el sitio web de las Escuelas Públicas de Chelsea en <https://www.chelsea-schools.com/Page/2433>. Llame al 617-466-4456 para solicitar una copia impresa o para que le enviemos una copia por correo electrónico. La reunión está cerrada para observar las pautas

de distanciamiento social. La reunión se transmitirá en vivo para el público en: Chelsea Cable TV <https://www.facebook.com/ChelseaPublicSchools/> La agenda está disponible 2 días antes de la reunión, en línea en el sitio web de las Escuelas Públicas de Chelsea <https://www.chelsea-schools.com/> Los comentarios públicos pueden enviarse por correo electrónico o por teléfono a los siguientes: publichearing@chelsea-schools.com o 617-466-4456

Cualquier persona que desee hablar durante el periodo de comentarios públicos debe registrarse. Para indicar que desea hablar en la reunión y recibir información, comuníquese con publichearing@chelsea-schools.com o 617-466-4456

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LEGAL NOTICE


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHELSEA TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 90 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission will be held on: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers 500 Broadway Pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment regarding the Eastern Avenue and Griffin Way improvements proposal to install actuated traffic signals to improve operations and safety at the intersection, to extend curbing and sidewalks from Eastern Avenue around the intersection corners with Griffin Way and to make the crosswalks and sidewalks ADA compliant.

Per Order
Chief Brian A. Kyes
Chairperson

2/10/22, 2/24/22 C

LEGAL NOTICE


Re: Victoria’s Diner
92 Washington Avenue
Chelsea, MA

Chelsea Licensing Commission Notice is hereby given that the Chelsea Licensing Commission will hold a public hearing via Zoom on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for an Amusement & Entertainment License application for Victoria’s Diner at 92 Washington Avenue, Chelsea, MA. 02150. Please be advised that you must notify, via Certified Return Receipt mail, all abutters of this hearing.

CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION
Naomi Libran
Licensing Administrator

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LEGAL NOTICE


Re: KB Corp. d/b/a Yogi’s Variety
698 Broadway
Chelsea, MA

Chelsea Licensing Commission Notice is hereby given that the Chelsea Licensing Commission will hold a public hearing via Zoom on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. To consider a Change of License Classification application from Wines and Malt Beverages License to a New All Kinds of Alcohol Beverages License (Off Premise) application to KB Corp. d/b/a Yogi’s Variety at 698 Broadway, Chelsea, MA. 02150. Please be advised that you must notify, via Certified Return Receipt mail, all abutters of this hearing.

CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION
Naomi Libran
Licensing Administrator

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LEGAL NOTICE


The Chelsea Board of Health will hold a virtual public hearing at 5:30pm on March 8th to consider enacting ordinances and regulations to

control rodent populations for Chelsea. The proposed regulations would require adding a new Section to the Board of Health Regulations. A complete copy of the proposed regulation is available from the City of Chelsea Public Health Department. To obtain a copy of the regulation, share comments or to receive access to the virtual meeting please email famaya@chelsea-ma.gov

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LEGAL NOTICE


Chelsea Housing Authority

Request for Proposal Rental Lease Agreement Issued: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 The Chelsea Housing Authority seeks multiple owners of developments or single rental units, within a 5-mile radius of Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150, with preference given to those apartments in Chelsea, MA (attachment A), 1, 2, 3, & 4- bedroom units that will be available between May 1st-August 1, 2022, to enter into a master lease agreement, with the CHA, for a minimum of 18 months, with month-to-month extensions, up to 30 months of initial lease date. The CHA will enter into an agreement with multiple owners, to sublease approximately 26 units, with an agreement signed for each unit occupied. Maximum gross contract rents will be as follows:

- 1-Bedroom units - \$ 1,924
- 2-Bedroom units - \$ 2,336
- 3-Bedroom units - \$ 2,906
- 4-Bedroom units - \$ 3,168

To receive the complete documents of the RFP, please email avelazquez@chelsea-ha.com or pick up at our main administrative office at 54 Locke Street, Chelsea, MA 02150 Proposal with all criteria met should be sent and received as follows, no later than 11:00 am on March 25, 2022. Proposals should be received in a sealed envelope

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Judith Garcia announces campaign for State Rep. in new 11th Suffolk District

Chelsea City Councilor Judith Garcia announced her candidacy for state representative in the new 11th Suffolk District of Massachusetts. The daughter of a single, immigrant mother, Judith is a lifelong Chelsea resident whose career in advocacy, activism, and public service have all been anchored to the city she loves.

“I am a daughter of Chelsea,” said Judith. “This city raised and shaped me; it gave me everything and taught me one lesson above all else: There is nothing more

powerful than a community that knows how to fight for itself. For too long, the residents of Chelsea & Everett have been denied a fair place in our state government. Now, this new district gives our communities a once-in-a-life time chance to seize the power that is rightfully ours. To do this, we need a candidate who represents all of us - not one group, one neighborhood, one political ideology or one faith. Unity is our superpower. As your next state representative, I will be a voice for all of us.”

Judith was born and raised in Chelsea by a single mother, who immigrated from her native Honduras with almost nothing. To this day, her mother is an essential worker at a local factory in Chelsea. Judith attended Chelsea Public Schools, where her passion for public and community service developed. After graduating from Wheaton College, she moved back to Chelsea and began work with Health Care for All as a bilingual specialist, helping families secure free and low-cost health

insurance.

In 2015 Judith was elected to the Chelsea City Council, the first Honduran American ever to serve there, where she has been reelected for four straight terms. On the Council, she has championed issues ranging from affordable housing to access to education and environmental justice. When COVID-19 hit Chelsea hard, Judith led recovery and response efforts in the city, spearheading the creation of \$1.5M emergency relief fund for small businesses, securing a \$25k

relief fund for burial costs for Covid-19 victims, and raised \$10k for Chelsea’s food pantry. A rising political star in Massachusetts, she was recently selected by Vice-President Kamala Harris’ National Security team as an advisor for Honduran affairs. She has also served as a high-profile surrogate for Senator Elizabeth Warren and former Congressman Joe Kennedy III. Currently, Judith works at The Neighborhood Developers where she serves as a Communications Manager.



Judith Garcia, candidate for state representative.

CITY PAWS

How to walk a dog

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

The adoption of pandemic pups and the rise of app-based dog walking services has resulted in a good number of inexperienced dog walkers. Many of our most expert and reliable reference sites have been running articles on dog walking dos and don’ts. Perhaps they’re fielding questions on the topic or have noticed problems when out and about with their dogs.

It Depends on The Dog
Many of our decisions about dog walking depend on the particular dog we are about to walk. Start with your choice of walking gear. Ask your veterinarian for any specific equipment recommendations to walk your dog. For example, many small breeds need a halter rather than a collar to prevent tracheal collapse.

Strong dogs may be safer to walk with an anti-pull leash. Dogs with narrow heads need a Martingale collar to prevent

them from escaping by slipping from a standard collar. Many dogs benefit from a gentle leader leash once they grow accustomed to it. Consider a two-leash harness if your dog has ever escaped because of fear or anxiety. We use one for our frightened little Westie.

There are a few items of walking gear that most experts agree should never be used and are illegal in some places. Retractable leashes are dangerous to both dogs and humans. In many areas, a leash must not exceed 6 feet.

The SF/SPCA has noted that “Many civilized countries have outlawed prong collars, recognizing the harm they can do! New Zealand, Austria, Australia, Switzerland, the Canadian Province of Quebec, and many others have made prong collars (and in many cases choke and shock collars) illegal.”

The Ability of the Walker
Sometimes size matters. Penny once witnessed a

small woman pulled out into traffic by a large, poorly-trained dog. On the other hand, we had a tiny friend who had no problem walking her beautiful, well-trained Mastiff. The other animal in her life was a horse, and she was an experienced rider, strong for her size, and she knew the importance of good communication with and training for her charges.

Training Never Ends
Working on improving your dog’s behavior is an ongoing job. Think about adding a mini-training session to each walk. We love how people with new dogs make them pause and sit at every corner. While that may not continue as a regular step each time you cross the street, consider asking your dog to sit and wait once or twice a walk to keep that skill honed for the times when you feel you need it.

We recently watched a young woman working with her large husky in the park. She would



Excellent, professional dog walkers never use retractable leashes because they are dangerous to both the dogs and the people around them.

walk, stop and turn to go the other direction once or twice every block. This is a classic method of teaching a dog not to step ahead of you and pull. She praised the good turns and stopped to reinforce what she wanted from her strong sled dog.


More Tips
What might seem like common sense to expe-

rienced dog guardians may not be as evident to first-timers. In case of any mishap, always have your dog both microchipped and with a visible ID so anyone who finds your pal can call you.

While training, stick to the same routine and walking route. This will offer fewer distractions for both of you as you reinforce training. Then add

small changes to busier places as you grow confident in both of your walking skills. Finally, remember that walks are good for both of you, and enjoy your time together!

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.



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