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The Jordan Boys and Girls Club's 5K run/walk officially starts. This event raised money for Club's many programs. See Page 6 for more photos.

City Manager addresses park department request

By Adam Swift

The city can address issues with park maintenance within its current structure, although City Manager Thomas Ambrosino said it is something his administration needs to better address.

Last week, the city council held a subcommittee meeting to discuss District 6 Councilor Giovanni Recupero's request that the city look into establishing a parks and recreation department, specifically to address maintenance concerns at the city's parks.

"We used to have a park department before consisting of a superintendent of parks, a part-time secretary, and three DPW workers, with permits approved by a park commission with three to five members," said Recupero.

Currently, the city contracts out much of the maintenance work for the parks at \$200,000 per year, although the DPW does assist with park maintenance.

Establishing a stand-alone parks department would create a hands-on

approach to make sure the parks and playgrounds are clean.

"I see how the parks are maintained and they are not maintained as well as they could be," said Recupero. "I get complaints all the time."

Ambrosino said he does not believe the city needs to do a major reorganization to accomplish the goals set out by Recupero. He also said he believed there were two different issues with a parks department, the maintenance and the programming.

Ambrosino said the programming is handled within the Recreation and Cultural Affairs department, much the same as parks and recreation departments operate in other cities.

"In cities I'm familiar with, including my former city (Ambrosino was mayor of Revere), these were separate and distinct jobs handled by separate entities," said Ambrosino. "There was for maintenance, a parks division within the DPW, and there

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City Manager seeking funds for restoration of railroad Quiet Zone

By Adam Swift

Chelsea residents may soon be able to get a little more peace and quiet near the city's railroad crossings.

The City Council is moving toward approving funding to restore the Quiet Zone at Chelsea railroad crossings, which will include the construction of new railroad gates and accompanying safety improvements.

"The City has been working for quite some time to restore the Quiet Zone at our railroad crossings," stated City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. "In late winter, the Federal

Railroad Administration finally approved the design for the required safety improvements. The City bid the project in April and received two bids."

The low bidder for the project was Dagle Electric.

"Unfortunately, Dagle's construction costs are significantly higher, by more than \$500,000, from what VHB, the City's engineer, originally stated," Ambrosino said. "In addition to Dagle's cost, the City must also set aside funds for work along the railroad tracks that can only be performed by personnel from Keolis, the MBTA's commuter rail operator. Keo-

lis' costs, which they now estimate will be approximately \$500,000, are also far higher than the City originally anticipated."

In order to award the contract to Dagle and to cover the Keolis expenses, the city needs to appropriate additional funds, he added.

To date, the city has appropriated \$2,350,000 for the project in previous free cash requests. Of that amount, \$2,043,500 was set aside for construction.

"We also have available a \$1,130,000 federal construction grant, giving us a total of \$3,173,500 in available construction funds," said Ambrosino.

"At this point, our best estimate is that total construction costs will be \$4,174,165."

That amount leaves the city with a shortfall of just over \$1 million,

Ambrosino said the city does have the money available in free cash to cover the difference, and is asking the city council to appropriate \$1,000,665 from free cash to pay for the project and restore the Quiet Zone as quickly as possible.

The council accepted Ambrosino's request at its May 9 meeting and moved it forward to a second reading and possible vote at its next meeting.

LOCAL LEGISLATORS ATTEND LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST



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On Thursday, May 12, the Greater Boston Labor Council hosted a legislative breakfast with state and city officials from Revere and Chelsea at Suffolk Downs. Topics discussed during the breakfast included collaboration on addressing wage theft protection on state and local levels and increasing job training and employment opportunities for local residents. Pictured are: Seated - Chelsea City Councilors Judith García, Norieliz DeJesus, Melinda Vega-Maldonado, Tanairi García and City Council President Roy Avellaneda. Standing are Chelsea resident and Painters Union Local 35 Business Representative Antonio Hernandez, Chelsea Councilor Leo Robinson, State Senator Sal DiDomenico, Councilor Todd Taylor, Exec Secretary Greater Boston Labor Council Darlene Lombos, State Rep. Dan Ryan, Carpenters Local 328 Business Agent Rich Pedi, and State Rep Jessica Gianinno.

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Fiesta Shows seeks return to Eastern Avenue

By Adam Swift

Despite some concerns about the site, last week the Licensing Commission approved an amusement license for the long-running Fiesta Shows Carnival to return to 295 Eastern Ave. from June 9 through June 19.

"Fiesta shows has been coming to Chelsea for over 20 years now, basically every year at some location or another, and a large part of this is that it's a fundraiser mechanism for our Summer Jobs Youth Program, and it's been a great event for families," said City Council President Roy Avellaneda. "Over the years, the location has changed, more than anything because of development."

The 295 Eastern Ave. location was found as a temporary location last year, and Avellaneda said he and Fiesta Shows president John Flynn worked with public safety to address concerns about the location.

Avellaneda said Flynn will also work with conservation agent John DePriest to address any issues related to the site being near a coastal bank. "(Flynn) is very pro-

fessional and there have been no incidents at all in 20 years that Fiesta Shows have been in the city," said Avellaneda. "All the bills have been paid. The paramount thing about this is that it is the sole fundraiser that is done for the Summer Jobs Youth Program, which is why I am very adamant, which is why I am very adamant about having it and hope to continue to have it."

Police Captain Keith Houghton said he agreed that Fiesta Shows have always been a good partner with the city, and that there were no incidents last year. But, he said there are safety concerns with the Eastern Avenue location.

"It's not the optimal location," Houghton said. "There's a 100-yard entrance and there's no second egress. We're worried that if there was a medical emergency or anything with the crowds leaving, we would not be able to get apparatus, EMS, or police in."

Houghton did state that moveable barriers would

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Funding sought for full implementation of police body camera program

By Adam Swift

The city is preparing to move ahead with full implementation of a body camera program for the Chelsea Police Department.

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is seeking approval of the use of free cash from the city council to help pay for the program.

“The City negotiated the use of body cameras by the police in the last round of collective bargaining agreements with both Police Patrol Officers and Police Superior Officers,” stated Ambrosino. “Subsequent to the execution of those agreements, the Police Chief and the Unions agreed upon a Body Camera Policy, and a pilot program was successfully implemented in the past months. With the pilot complete, the City is prepared to move forward

with full implementation.”

However, Ambrosino stated that the purchase of body cameras and storage requirements are not inexpensive.

“The City estimates that the first year costs for all equipment acquisition, software and storage will be approximately \$330,000,” according to Ambrosino. “There will then be annual costs of approximately \$150,000.”

Those annual costs will be included in the police department budgets starting in Fiscal Year 2024.

The city did receive a state grant for \$107,400 to help with the first year costs. Ambrosino is seeking an appropriation of \$225,000 from the city’s free cash reserve to cover the remainder of the start-up costs.

The city council accepted Ambrosino’s request at its May 9 meeting, and moved the request for-

ward for a second reading and possible approval at its next meeting.

Following the approval of the union contracts in the spring of 2021, Police Chief Brian Kyes said he and the members of the department were eager to implement the program.

“I strongly believe that body-worn cameras can help improve the high-quality public service that is expected of Chelsea Police Officers which will in turn promote the actual and perceived legitimacy, impartiality and sense of procedural justice that our community relies on from the men and women of the Chelsea Police Department,” Kyes said at the time.

Kyes added that the body camera would help create an increased level of transparency and accountability with the ranks from the utilization of the equipment.

Northeast Metro Tech mourns the passing of beloved teacher Raymond Nicolosi

Superintendent David DiBarri is deeply saddened to report that one of Northeast Metro Tech’s most beloved teachers, Raymond S. Nicolosi Jr., died on Friday at age 46 after a long battle with cancer.

“It fills me with a deep sense of sorrow to report to the community that Ray Nicolosi passed away after a long and brave battle with cancer,” DiBarri said. “Ray was a beautiful soul and gracious individual who always had a smile on his face and words of kindness for everyone he encountered.”

Mr. Nicolosi began

working at Northeast Metro Tech in November 2015 in the auto tech program and was a source of positive energy every day that he came to work.

“Ray made a positive impact on every student he taught and coached. He gave his students so many valuable lessons in Auto Technology, athletics, and in life,” Superintendent DiBarri said. “Ray will be so dearly missed by all of his family, colleagues, friends, and students.”

Mr. Nicolosi was born in Salem, N.H. and was a graduate of TAD Technical Institute for automotive repair. He leaves his

wife, Heather, and three teenage children.

His family has asked that, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Northeast Metro Tech Automotive Repair Department.

In honor of Mr. Ray Nicolosi, Northeast Metro Tech will cancel classes and programs on Tuesday, May 17 so that students, faculty and staff can attend visiting hours starting at 11 a.m. and funeral services starting at 1 p.m. at Cataudella Funeral Home (126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen).

AARP Mass. submits signed petitions from residents to Sen. Warren to lower prescription drug prices

AARP Massachusetts State Director Mike Festa, Volunteer State President Sandra Harris and AARP members are joining Senator Elizabeth Warren in urging Congress to lower prescription drug prices.

92,835 Massachusetts residents have signed onto an AARP petition calling on Congress to act now. AARP has advocated for fair drug prices for years and supports legislation that passed the House in November, which would allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, put a cap on out-of-pocket costs that older adults pay for their prescription drugs and impose penalties on drug companies that raise prices faster than the rate of inflation.

“Working families shouldn’t have to decide between paying for life-saving medications or putting food on the table, while Big Pharma rakes in giant profits. That’s just wrong, and it’s long past time for Congress to take action,” said Senator Elizabeth Warren. “We need to pass legislation that

lets Medicare negotiate for lower drug prices and cuts costs for beneficiaries now. I’m grateful for the continued advocacy of AARP Massachusetts, and I’ll keep fighting to get this done.”

“Americans are fed up with paying much more than people in other countries pay for the same drugs. More than 4 million people across the country, including almost 100,000 here in the Commonwealth, are joining AARP to demand lower prices for prescription drugs,” says Festa. “There will never be a better time to lower drug prices than the historic opportunity in front of Congress. Now it’s time to get it done!”

“Every January, I pay over two thousand dollars to fill one prescription. I have a chronic illness, Multiple Sclerosis. There is no cure, but there are a number of very expensive drugs available that can mitigate the symptoms. It is a disgrace that drug prices here in the United States are the highest in the world. I would like to see our elected of-

ficials stop their infighting and focus their energies on finding out why this is, and what can be done about it.”

“SUSAN, MASSACHUSETTS Lowering prescription drug prices has widespread support among voters, regardless of their party affiliation. An AARP survey of voters found that strong majorities of voters want Congress to act on the issue, with 70% saying it is very important. The survey also found that 87% of voters support allowing Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices. AARP urges Senator Warren to continue the fight to protect seniors: Sandra Harris, AARP Massachusetts State President says “Massachusetts residents are sick and tired of paying three times what people in other countries pay for the same drugs. Our members have a message to our Senators: Don’t Let Pharma Win. Lower Drug Prices Now!” More information about AARP’s Fair Drug Prices campaign can be found at aarp.org/rx.

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was for programming a parks and recreation department. We have a similar setup where we have a DPW and we have a Recreation and Cultural Affairs division that essentially has the capabilities of doing both things.”

At least on the maintenance side of the equation, Ambrosino said the city has more work to do.

“I can see that the maintenance of our parks is not the best and part of the problem is that this DPW has never had a dedicated crew just for parks.”

For the current summer, Ambrosino said the city will continue to use an outside vendor for parks maintenance, with an assist from DPW workers not specifically dedicated to the parks.

During the summer, Ambrosino said the city, and Acting DPW Director Louis Mammolette will be looking at evaluating options to possibly set up a DPW parks division for Fiscal Year 2024. Ambrosino said he was reluctant to add new DPW positions in the FY23 budget since he was already add-

ing 13 new city positions.

By the end of the calendar year, Ambrosino said he expects to have a recommendation for a more robust parks maintenance program.

“If we have a dedicated group of DPW employees focused exclusively on parks, as many cities do, we will be able to accomplish what we want to accomplish in the realm of maintenance,” said Ambrosino.

Several councilors did raise questions about the programming of the recreation department, and especially providing more programs for teenagers.

Ambrosino said the Recreation and Cultural Affairs division provides a healthy amount of programming, and noted that many of the programs that are labeled “community schools” programs in the schools are the same as recreation programs offered to young people in other communities.

“This idea of community schools has always driven me a bit crazy since I arrived here,” said Ambrosino. “It’s really just a

branding of programming in the schools, every parks and recreation department does programming in the school buildings. Our Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department; and it just has that name, it’s semantics, it could be called the Parks and Recreation Department; it has programming in the schools like every other parks and recreation department, and it has programming outside in the parks.

“The ‘community schools’ is just the branding for what goes on in the school buildings,” Ambrosino continued. “We are really trying to get away from that branding because it leads people to believe the city does not really have a parks and recreation department. The Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department is a park and recreations department as is understood in other communities.”

Recupero said he would like to see a further discussion of the maintenance of the parks at a future meeting.

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be needed to establish a second lane for emergency vehicles. He also said there would need to be improved lighting along Eastern Avenue.

Flynn also said there was a gate on the property

that could be cleared and used for a second egress if there were no issues with conservation land.

The original application requested an 11 p.m. closing for the carnival, but Flynn agreed to Hough-

ton’s request to close the carnival at 10 p.m.

The Licensing Commission approved the application, pending approval of fire and police emergency plans.

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COUNCILOR-AT-LARGE LEO ROBINSON SPEAKS AT TEMPLE EMMANUEL SISTEHOOD LUNCHEON

Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson was the guest speaker at the Temple Emmanuel Sisterhood Luncheon Monday.

A lifelong Chelsea resident, Robinson has been a participant in and supporter of many of the Temple’s programs and community service projects.

Robinson is co-director of the Lewis Latimer Society with his brother, Ronald Robinson. In his remarks, Leo noted the important contributions to science made by Latimer, an inventor and engineer who was born in Chelsea in 1848.

Robinson also talked about the great civil rights leader and orator Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Robinson said that Dr. King came to Boston in 1951 to study Theology at Boston University and lived at 397 Massachusetts Avenue.

Temple President Sara Lee Callahan thanked Councilor Robinson for his interesting talk and invited the popular dean of city government to upcoming events at the temple that has experienced a resurgence under the leadership of Callahan.



Seated are Phyllis Vigoda and Carole Turransky. Back row are Leo Robinson, Murray Novak and Dotty Novak.



Councilor-at-Large and guest speaker Leo Robinson, with Temple Emmanuel Sisterhood members Carol Brown (left) and Bertha Doyle.



From left, Jay Rosenzweig, Temple President Sara Lee Callahan, luncheon guest speaker Leo Robinson, Amy Torf Feinberg, and Cindy Millman.



Seated are Rena George and Linda Doll. Standing are Janice Doherty, Leo Robinson, and Molly Weisberg.



Seated are Ronda Winer and Marilyn Winer. Standing are Leo Robinson, Sandy Levine, and Joan McKinnon.




Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson greets Marla Vigoda, president of the Chelsea High Class of 1981, who will be celebrating its 40th reunion June 11 at the Chelsea Yacht Club.



In a nice gesture, Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson presented a rose to each guest the luncheon, including Temple Emmanuel President Sara Lee Callahan (above).

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NO END IN SIGHT FOR OUR RECURRING NATIONAL NIGHTMARE

The horrific and tragic mass shooting that occurred in Buffalo, New York, on a quiet Saturday afternoon in a supermarket in a predominantly Black community once again has highlighted how the intersection of racial hatred fomented by the internet and the easy availability of assault weapons of mass destruction are causing carnage in communities all across America.

The reality is this: There is no place in the United States that is free from the spectre of gun violence.

The small community of Winthrop is coming up on the one-year anniversary of the shooting death of two Black residents by a young white man armed with a high-capacity handgun on an early-summer Saturday afternoon on a peaceful residential street.

And, similar to the shooter in Buffalo, the white gunman in Winthrop espoused white supremacist views with Nazi emblems among his personal belongings and, it is believed, was en route to a nearby synagogue, though fortunately he was stopped by a Winthrop police sergeant who shot him dead just a few blocks away.

As usual, the aftermath of the tragedy in Buffalo brought calls for regulation of the internet to stop the spread of hate movements and for the regulation of the sale of the military-grade weaponry that makes such incidents possible.

But as usual, it's all just a lot of talk. Meaningful gun control by Congress never will happen because of the stranglehold upon the Republican party (and some Democrats) by the gun lobby, despite overwhelming public support for such measures.

And the internet only grows more toxic day-by-day and lurks as a haven for white supremacists to spread their hateful messages on the Dark Web.

America is trapped in a recurring nightmare of a reality of our own creation that, no matter how many times we replay it, we are unable to change.

IF WOMEN WERE WORLD LEADERS, THERE WOULD BE NO MORE WARS

It's well-known that men constitute most of the sociopaths among us. A sociopath by definition lacks empathy, a person who has no conscience.

Although childhood trauma and abuse can alter a person's brain, sociopaths for the most part are born, not made. High-tech imaging has shown that the part of the human brain that triggers an empathetic response in most people is non-functioning (or functions minimally) in sociopaths.

It is estimated that only one percent of humanity are sociopaths, but of those, 75-90% are men. And while there are women who are sociopaths, they tend not to be violent. Sociopathic women share the same traits -- pathological lying, for example -- as male sociopaths, but their goal generally manifests itself in financial gain.

The young Russian/German woman who conned New York society (depicted in the Netflix series, *Inventing Anna*) and Elizabeth Holmes, who fleeced investors in her blood analysis company of hundreds of millions of dollars, are examples of female sociopaths.

Sociopathic men also are con artists. Some psychologists have estimated that 10 percent of the men who work on Wall St. are sociopaths such as Bernie Madoff.

But sociopathic men almost exclusively are the serial killers in our society -- Ted Bundy and others like him -- whose crimes horrify us.

Sociopathic men also are the dictators who have wrought carnage on our planet. Hitler, Stalin, Kim Jong-un, and Vladimir Putin readily come to mind.

And when you combine a sociopathic personality with male testosterone, the end result is what we see happening every day in Ukraine.

World events of the past two years have brought to the forefront the strong women who are the heads of their countries -- Jacinda Ardern of New Zealand, Kaja Kallas of Estonia, Sanna Marin of Finland -- and Angela Merkel was the top leader in Europe for 16 years until she recently stepped down.

We are not suggesting that women are better than men, or vice versa.

But in our opinion, it seems reasonable to believe that if all of our world leaders were women, there would be no more wars.

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Buffalo, Laguna Woods, Houston – the world gets crazier every day

Dr. Glenn Mollette

A good person did not enter a grocery store in Buffalo, New York killing ten people and wounding multiple others. A good person did not enter a church in Laguna Woods, California wounding many and killing one person. A good person did not enter a Houston, Texas flee market killing two and wounding at least three more. These are evil people. The police officer who heroically fought back in the Buffalo grocery store with a gun was a good person. He was trying to protect the other good people who were in the grocery store.

If America rounded up all the guns and used them for only police officers and the military, there would still be evil people. Evil plots, make irrational decisions and go to depraved levels to carry out their heinous acts. What an evil person does is beyond the comprehension of everyday moral people. A mentally depraved person thinks in a sphere of unreality. They have thoughts no one else would ever think. Pathetically they

put their thoughts into action. The Buffalo shooter drove hundreds of miles. He bought tactical gear and wore protective armor that enabled him to withstand the security guard's bullets and kill the security guard.

Generally, people used to live their lives concerned about what God or a higher power thought about them. They were interested in pleasing God, their parents, the school teacher, coach or clergy leader. Today, insanity is bowing down to the god of social media. The deranged Buffalo shooter wore a camera so that his social media followers could see what he was doing. People often video themselves sky diving, jumping off cliffs, singing or whatever to show their followers what they are doing. The Buffalo shooter took it to another level and will most likely be mimicked by others. It's interesting that social media has the power to ban a former President but it can't control or prevent an insane live video feed of someone wanting to show others that he is killing

people.

Evil people will find a way to carry out their evil schemes. They will find a way to get guns or use cars, planes, trucks, fire or whatever to hurt others. The people killing people in churches and grocery stores are not deer hunters. They aren't wild turkey or rabbit hunters. They aren't the average citizens who just want a gun for their bedside table for protection. The people perpetrating these crimes are deranged.

Our society must find a way to unarm those who are displaying outward signs of craziness or have any records of unlawful activity. Once again, it's difficult to keep guns out of the hands of bad people because evil works very hard. However, we must continue to try.

Grocery stores, churches and most businesses will eventually have locked doors. You will need a card to unlock the door much like hotels use today. You will need your name and information registered with the business or house of worship before you'll be able to enter.

Armed guards like airport security guards will check your identification when you come to the door. This still doesn't protect the families playing in a city park or those gathering in an open-air sidewalk café. To some extent we will always be vulnerable, everywhere.

The world has felt crazier every day for the last two years. This past weekend proved again that it's not getting better.

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MVES offers new mental health outreach program for Spanish-speaking older residents

Staff eport

Since the start of the pandemic more than two years ago, more and more people are talking about behavioral health issues including loneliness, social isolation, and emotional changes. An increasing number of folks are starting to see mental health for what it is: one important component of your overall health and well-being, just like your physical health. However, having a conversation about mental health conditions, and reaching out for resources and supports can still feel complicated and out of reach.

Are there common warning signs for mental health conditions or crises? Are there specific factors that can lead to changes in mood or behaviors that may negatively affect someone's well-being? What resources are out there – and how do I know if they are right for me?

The Mystic Valley Elder Services Mental Health Outreach Program is here to help. This new grant-funded initiative is available to Spanish-speaking residents of Malden, Everett, Chelsea, and Revere who are 60 years of age or older. Spanish-speaking older adults are often confronted with unique barriers to receiving assistance but this new program is here to help. The Mental Health Outreach Program offers person-centered, strength-based mental health assistance from bilingual staff who will help support Spanish-speaking older adults to maintain independence and dignity. Our bilingual Mental Health



Spanish-Speaking Mental Health Outreach Worker Ignacia Urquijo.

Outreach Worker Ignacia Urquijo can:

- assess, refer, and provide timely assistance to older adults in need or distress
- evaluate Spanish speaking older adults' needs for support in the community
- help older adults seek and navigate behavioral health care services and treatment
- work with health care partners to identify and refer older adults who may be at-risk
- connect older adults to additional programs and services that may benefit them

If you are concerned about your mental health, or someone you love, there are options available. You are not alone – speaking with someone can make a difference. The new program is funded through a grant awarded to the Massachusetts Association of Councils on Aging by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs and support from Winchester Hospital- a member of Beth Israel Lahey Health. Here are some questions to consider if you think you, or a friend/loved one, may benefit from speaking with our new Spanish-Speaking Mental Health Outreach Worker.

- Have things that used to feel easy started

feeling difficult?

- Does the idea of doing daily tasks like making your bed now feel really, really hard?
- Have you lost interest in activities and hobbies you used to enjoy?
- Do you feel irritated; possibly to the point of lashing out at people you care about?
- Are you feeling increased sadness or worry lately?
- Have you been nervous or experiencing more stress these days?
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Women share their recovery journeys and embrace Sisterhood at a Women’s Recovery Court celebration

A group of women shared their journeys of recovery and celebrated their sisterhood in the struggle against substance abuse at a recent Women’s Recovery Court Session. The Recovery Court event was held at Recovery on the Harbor in East Boston where a conference room was dedicated in the memory of Valerie Brennan, a Community Coordinator at Recovery on the Harbor, a resource center for individuals in recovery operated by North Suffolk Mental Health Association (NSMHA). Ms. Brennan, a Malden resident, passed away November 6, 2021, following an illness.

The Women’s Recovery Court event, held May 2, was hosted by NSMHA and the Malden District Court Probation Department. More than 50 women attended the celebration and dedication.

Jenny Celata, NSMHA Recovery coach, kicked off the event with an introduction of a plaque featuring Ms. Brennan’s picture and her favorite saying, “If you don’t leave your

past in the past, it will destroy your future. Live for what today has to offer, not for what yesterday has taken away.”

“This is about Valerie Brennan. Many of you knew her. Valerie suffered. She was a woman in long-term recovery, struggled for a long time, and had a lot of losses,” said Ms. Celata. “There are three words that every time when I think of Val, I think of these words: Perseverance, acceptance, and hope....She persevered and had acceptance for so many things that others would have dropped. She kept going and then she had this hope, this hope she instilled upon everyone else.” Ms. Celata added, “Hopefully, when people come here, they can see the perseverance, the hope, and acceptance because it is key in recovery today.”

Lynn District Court Judge Ina Rae Howard-Hogan served as the keynote speaker and told the audience, “I’m going to speak from the heart. Look at this room. Sis-

terhood....I am loving it. And, what we’ve all been through these past couple of years and still you rise. You see people like Valerie and you say ‘oh, the battle was lost.’ No, the battle wasn’t lost because you know why. That example that she set for the rest of us is to give you that step to go further. Because you are going to think about her. We are all going to think about her and that is motivational.”

Malden Assistant Chief Probation Officer (ACPO) Judith Lawler acknowledged Recovery Court participants as well as Katie O’Leary, North Suffolk Mental Health Director of Recovery Support Services. Ms. Lawler also recognized Malden Chief Probation Officer (CPO) Marisa Cogliando-Vaughn, ACPO Jennifer Donahue, and Probation Officers Cynthia Russell, Nicole Guidoboni, and Alyssa Yearwood “whose dedication and caring to those who are struggling with substance abuse disorder and mental illness is in-



In the group photo, left to right are Jenny Celata, North Suffolk Mental Health Association (NSMHA) Recovery Coach (RC); Jennifer Casali Donahue, Malden District Assistant Chief Probation Officer (ACPO); Lisa Grant, Presiding Justice of the BMC-Dorchester Recovery Court; Kathy Curley, NSMHA Recovery Coach Manager; Katie O’Leary, NSMHA Director of Recovery Support Services; Teresa (Teri) Hall, BCOR coordinator; Melissa Maragogiolo, NSMHA RC; Caitlin Gillespie, NSMHA SOS Coordinator. Top row, left to right: Marisa Cogliando-Vaughan, Malden District Chief Probation Officer; Rebekah Cole, NSMHA RC; Judy Lawler, Malden District Assistant Chief Probation Officer; and Dianne Fasano, First Deputy Director of the Massachusetts Probation Service.

spirational.” She also gave special acknowledgement to PO Gianna Franco, “our leader in Recovery Court who works day in and day out to help probationers overcome obstacles and begin a journey of hope and healing.”

“Why are we here? What is this? This to me as Oprah says is an ‘aha moment.’ A thought, an idea that started in Chelsea District Court about

eight years ago under the leadership of Judge Benjamin Barnes has happened and is happening again today because here we all are, women coming together to offer knowledge, support, and encouragement and hope to share the peaks and valleys, the ups and downs, the pain and the joy, the darkness and the light, and the struggles and successes of your journeys,” said Ms. Law-

ler.

Other guest speakers included former Recovery Court participants who are all now Recovery Coaches, including Rebekah Cole, NSMHA Recovery Coach and Charlestown Recovery Court graduate, and Danielle O’Brien, Recovery Support Centers Coordinator, Bureau of Substance Addiction Services and South Boston Recovery Court graduate.

THE CHELSEA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CARD EXCHANGE AT EL PORTRO

Recently the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce hosted a card exchange at El Portro Mexican Restaurant & Bar, located at 170 Everett Ave in Chelsea. The sunny afternoon on the outside deck of the establishment made

the perfect setting for the guests. Eastern Salt of Chelsea was the sponsor for the card exchange, which gave many business men and women a chance to meet and establish a connection.



State Representative Jessica Giannino is welcomed by Ex. Director Jennifer Hassell and drops her business card in the lucky sombrero for the events drawing.



General Manager of El Portro Joe Carreiro is with State Representative Jessica Giannino and Executive Director of the Chelsea Chamber Jennifer Hassell.



Serving up a delicious assortment of Mexican cuisine is Margam Caldwell and Ismelda Hernandez.



Eastern Salt was the major sponsor of the evenings event, members of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce are shown from left, Renee Casco board member, Beth McDougal VP, Joe Carreiro General Manager of El Portro, Executive Director Jennifer Hassell, Saratin Rizzuto and Steph Guerra from the Phoenix Charter School.



Chelsea Chamber Executive Director Jenn xx with Eric Portnoy of New England Federal Mortgage, Nidia Peguero of Century 21, and Amanda Alpert.

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THE CHELSEA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB HOSTS 5K RUN/WALK FUNDRAISER

Last Saturday morning the Jordan Boys and Girls Club sponsored a 5K run/walk to raise money for their many programs. Covid-19 has taken its toll over the past 2 years on sponsors and fundraising

events that normally keep things level for this popular organization. Registration took place in the parking lot of the Chelsea Station Restaurant located at 105 Everett Ave. Volunteers happily

registered the many participants and passed out event T-shirts to everyone that entered the race. The Chelsea Police Department brought in their ice cream truck supplying free frosty desserts to

all, besides keeping the runners and walkers safe along the way. The race took off at 10 a.m. from behind the Kayem Plant and music and treats were supplied at the finish line. The event was a huge

success and thanks to the many sponsors and those who registered the Chelsea Boys and Girls Club will continue to support and reach many local children of all ages through its programs.



Joe Mullaney and Al Washington registered Saturday morning.



Executive Director of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Hassell, Councillor Leo Robinson and Emily Caquet before the race at 105 Everett Ave.



All smiles and ready to go, on a beautiful spring morning.



Getting ready for the run, Lauren Harrington, David and Jenelyn Viemann.



The Chelsea Police Department ice cream truck was on hand to pass out free treats to everyone, CPD Officer Joanne O'Brien with Councillor Leo Robinson, and from One North of Boston a event sponsor, Shannon Haarer, Andriana Marjanouc, Caitlin Bishop and Nolan Collins.



Barbara Lawler, Alexandra Christmas, Marina Christmas, Grace Muwina and Vanessa Reeves waiting at the starting line for the 5 K.



Police Capt. Dunn, Odelisa Macedo and Lyle Abell.



Volunteers, Sue Gallant and Kelly Lawler register the runners.



The walkers head out.



Usa Gillis, Lourdes Sanchez, Elisa Ortiz and Gina Centrella were some of the many volunteers that made the event a success.



Hiku with his owners Pomai Yamagnoni and Lina Olto-Afante.



CPD Officer William Brizuela gets the runners in place.



Anthony Rubiera, Juliana Hassell, Felix Torres, Pedro Barbosa, Willar Torres, Anyer Umanna, Armando Labato.



Final instructions before the start of the race.

Sports

CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL OUTDOOR TRACK TEAM



Lamari Davis at the shot-put event.



Jasmine Maradiaga finishes her last hurdle.



Lauren Madon practices her long jump.



The Chelsea High School Girls Outdoor Track Team.



The runners take off for the 2-mile run.



The Chelsea Boys Outdoor Track Team.



The Red Devil Track Captains, Emmanuel Simon, Jeffery Pance, Gizelle Rodriguez, Nasir Adams, and Johnny Maldonado.



Darily Sanchez gets in some last-minute jumps before the meet against Revere and Malden.

CHS ROUNDUP

CHS GIRLS TRACK SPLITS TRI-MEET

The Chelsea High girls outdoor track and field team split its tri-meet with Greater Boston League (GBL) rivals Revere and Malden last Thursday at Chelsea Stadium.

Coach Cesar Hernandez's Lady Red Devils defeated Malden, 75-60, but came up short against undefeated GBL champion Revere, 85-50.

Gizelle Rodriguez turned in a stellar performance. Gizelle led a Chelsea sweep in the long jump vs. Malden with a flight of 13'-7.5". Gizelle also won the javelin against both opponents with a throw of 83'-10" and topped the entire field in the 400 dash with a time of 62.7. She also took second vs. Malden and third vs. Revere in the 100 dash with a sprint of 13.8.

Altogether, Rodriguez recorded 29 points on the day.

Dhalia Christmas led a Chelsea sweep in the shot-put against both the Lady Patriots and the Lady Golden Tornadoes with a throw of 28'-0". Dhalia also took top spot in the discus vs. Malden and second place vs. Revere with a spin of 67'-0" to finish with 18 points on the day.

Jasmine Maradiaga was another stellar performer for Chelsea. Jasmine took first place vs. Malden and third place vs. Revere in the 400 hurdles with a clocking of 1:20.9; a third place in the high jump vs. Revere with a leap of

4'-2"; and second place vs. both foes in the 800 (2:51.2).

Valerie Ramirez also turned in a solid effort, taking second in the triple jump vs. both opponents with a landing of 26'-6" and second in the long jump (12'-6.75") vs. Malden.

Kiara Ramirez took second in the shot-put (25'-11.5") vs. both opponents and second in the discus vs. Malden (53'-11").

Lamari Davis grabbed third (25'-8.5") in the shot-put vs. all rivals.

Darily Sanchez took third in the long jump (12'-3.75") vs. Malden and second in the 200 dash (29.8) vs. Malden.

Giselle Olivar defeated her Malden rivals in the 110 hurdles and took second vs. Revere with a clocking of 19.1. Giselle also added third-place points for Chelsea in the 800 (2:55.6) vs. both Revere and Malden.

Rosalinda Rojas won the mile vs. Revere and took second vs. Malden with a time of 6:47.5.

In the two-mile, Holly Hatleberg finished second vs. Revere and third vs. Malden with a clocking of 15:53.4.

Reina Moreira added a point for Chelsea vs. Revere with a third in the two mile run in 16:12.3.

Lauren Nadow took third spot in the 110 hurdles vs. Malden in a time of 22.0.

Hernandez and his crew will take on Medford to-

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CITY PAWS

Nosing around

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Our first lesson in just how important scent is to dogs was from the breeder of our first Westie Sassy. She asked us to bring three hand towels to one of our weekly visits with our puppy. She tied those in a knot and kept them with the litter and mother for two weeks. The scent-laden towels came home with Sassy. We tucked them in with her at night and let the familiar scent and the lumpy feel of a puppy pile comfort her.

Hello, How are you?

Lynn Buzhardt, DVM, writing for VAC Animal Hospitals, explained how dogs use their nose when they meet one another. “While noses don’t actually speak, they do communicate. With a single sniff, noses interpret an entire story without words by using amines and acids emitted by dogs as the basis for chemical communi-

cation. The chemical aromas communicate what a dog likes to eat, and identify gender and mood. By simply smelling, a dog can determine if a new friend is male or female, happy or aggressive, healthy or ill. Dogs get a general idea about each other with a quick sniff, but get more detailed information by getting up close and personal. That’s why some dogs sniff private parts of the anatomy!”

Nosing Around as Enrichment

Enrichment is a word you’ll be hearing more and more often concerning dogs and cats. Zoos have led the way in finding ways to enrich the lives of captive animals. While you may not consider your dog or cat a captive, they are.

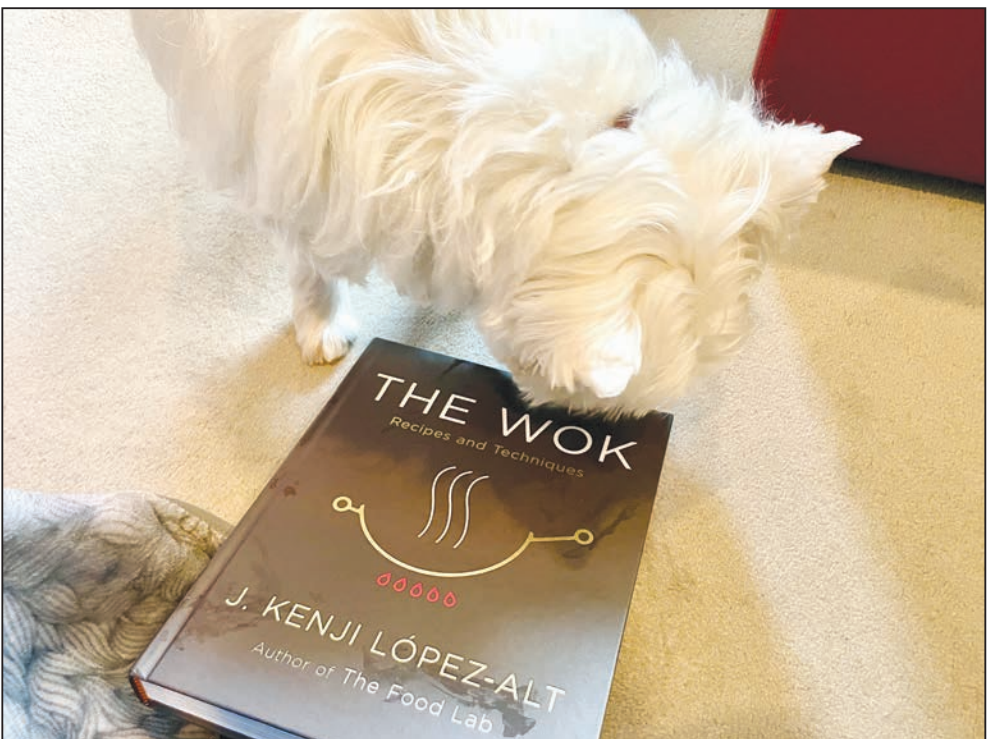
While we love our companion animals and try to give them the best possible care, there is more

we can do to enrich their lives. Allowing dogs to sniff on walks is a way to provide them with some choice in how they spend their time. Sniffing is an inherent, natural behavior that was once necessary for their physical welfare. Now we know it also impacts their mental and emotional well-being.

Sniffing as Stress Relief

A recent field study of dogs in France compared the pulse rates of 61 dogs when they were sniffing. The more the dogs sniffed, the more their pulse rates went down. Dogs on long leashes and off-leash sniffed more and had the most pulse rate decline. While we can’t let our dogs off-leash in the city, we can allow them to take the lead in directing our steps and speed for part of the walk.

We’ve felt that our anxious little Westie Poppy seems far more relaxed when sniffing along a city



Poppy discovered that a book (delivered by a friend) was full of the fun scent of her dog pal Marley. Adding a few nose prints was worth it to let her enjoy a good sniff.

sidewalk. Our observational study noticed the signs of stress she showed when outside lessened when she slowed down to sniff. She would stop pulling to take us home. Her tail would relax and rise to almost wag. We know that this only happens when the area around us is free of loud noise, construction, trucks, and other scary dangers in her mind.

However, we did not suspect that that act of sniffing itself was calming her stress and lowering her pulse rate.

Now that you know that letting your dog nose around and enjoy some time with a vital sense experience, we hope you’ll schedule an occasional sniff walk for your dog. It can be in a familiar place where they find the scent

of their pals. Or perhaps you would both love some time in new territory with unknown aromas for your dog and new sights and sounds for you.

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

AARP Mass. submits signed petitions from residents to Sen. Warren to lower prescription drug prices

AARP Massachusetts State Director Mike Festa, Volunteer State President Sandra Harris and AARP members are joining Senator Elizabeth Warren in urging Congress to lower prescription drug prices. 92,835 Massachusetts residents have signed onto an AARP petition calling on Congress to act now. AARP has advocated for fair drug prices for years and supports legislation that passed the House in November, which would allow Medicare to negotiate drug prices, put a cap

on out-of-pocket costs that older adults pay for their prescription drugs and impose penalties on drug companies that raise prices faster than the rate of inflation.

“Working families shouldn’t have to decide between paying for life-saving medications or putting food on the table, while Big Pharma rakes in giant profits. That’s just wrong, and it’s long past time for Congress to take action,” said Senator Elizabeth Warren. “We need to pass legislation that


lets Medicare negotiate for lower drug prices and cuts costs for beneficiaries now. I’m grateful for the continued advocacy of AARP Massachusetts, and I’ll keep fighting to get this done.”

“Americans are fed up with paying much more than people in other countries pay for the same drugs. More than 4 million people across the country, including almost 100,000 here in the Commonwealth, are joining AARP to demand lower prices for prescription drugs,” says

Festa. “There will never be a better time to lower drug prices than the historic opportunity in front of Congress. Now it’s time to get it done! “ Every January, I pay over two thousand dollars to fill one prescription. I have a chronic illness, Multiple Sclerosis. There is no cure, but there are a number of very expensive drugs available that can mitigate the symptoms. It is a disgrace that drug prices here in the United States are the highest in the world. I would like to see our elected of-

ficials stop their infighting and focus their energies on finding out why this is, and what can be done about it. “ SUSAN, MASSACHUSETTS Lowering prescription drug prices has widespread support among voters, regardless of their party affiliation. An AARP survey of voters found that strong majorities of voters want Congress to act on the issue, with 70% saying it is very important. The survey also found that 87% of voters support allowing Medicare to negotiate

prescription drug prices. AARP urges Senator Warren to continue the fight to protect seniors: Sandra Harris, AARP Massachusetts State President says “Massachusetts residents are sick and tired of paying three times what people in other countries pay for the same drugs. Our members have a message to our Senators: Don’t Let Pharma Win. Lower Drug Prices Now!” More information about AARP’s Fair Drug Prices campaign can be found at aarp.org/rx.




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Marcia Ann Kamens
Of Chelsea

Marcia Ann Kamens, 66, of Chelsea passed away peacefully on May 16.

The loving daughter of Barbara and the late Dr. Hyman R. Kamens, she was the dear sister of the late Jacqlyn Sue Scarlatelli and loving aunt of Katie R. Scarlatelli.

Services were held at the Torf Funeral Chapel, 151 Washington Ave.,

Chelsea on Wednesday, May 18 and interment in Melrose followed.

Donations in Marcia’s memory may be made to Temple Emmanuel of Chelsea, 60 Tudor St., Chelsea, MA 02150. For online guestbook and directions please visit the funeral home website: www.torffuneralservice.com.

Veronica “Ronnie” Lombardozzi
January 20, 1935 – May 6, 2022

Veronica B. “Ronnie” (Kozlowski) Lombardozzi passed away unexpectedly on Friday May 6 in the peaceful surroundings of her home in Devens, Mass. She was 87 years old.

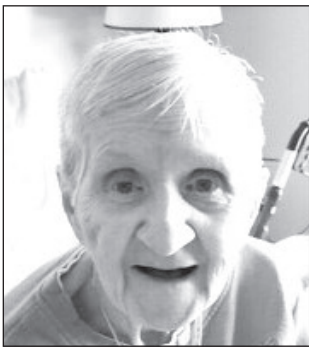
Born and raised in Chelsea, the beloved daughter of the late Charles and Catherine (Bialecka) Kozlowski, Ronnie attended St. Stanislaus Parochial School and was a graduate of Chelsea High School. Ronnie was married to Rocco Lombardozzi for 61 years and together raised two daughters and one son. Ronnie was passionately devoted to home and family.

A resident of Chelsea for most of her life, she and Rocco settled for a time in Chelmsford. She was widowed in 2019 and relocated to Devens for the past two years.

Ronnie also worked outside of her home as a Bookkeeper and Office Clerk. She was a lifelong parishioner of the former St. Stanislaus Church and was a member of the Ladies Sodality and supported the Church Choir.

She is fondly remembered for her quiet unassuming demeanor, supporting and championing her family in all their endeavors. She was the family live in nanny, caring for her grandchildren and her grand dogs. She enjoyed handicrafts, creating numerous holiday decorations, macramé and needle point art, and crocheted items.

In addition to her parents and husband, Ronnie was also predeceased by her siblings; the late Frank Kozlowski, US Army Cpl. Stephen Kozlowski (KIA), Stella, Gladys and Bronislaus Kozlowski. She was the dearly beloved wife of 61 years of the



late Rocco Lombardozzi, devoted mother of Felicia Lombardozzi of Chelsea, Stephen Lombardozzi and his wife, Darlene “Dee” of Lancaster and Karen Lombardozzi of Chelsea; cherished grandmother of Stephen Lombardozzi, his wife, Krystyn and their daughter, Lilith, Ryan Lombardozzi and his fiancée, Carolina Gomez, Katie Lombardozzi and Matthew Lombardozzi and his companion, Olivia McSweeney; dear sister-in-law of the late Chester and Caroline Pawlak, Richard Lombardozzi, Sr. survived by his wife, Irene Lombardozzi of Chelsea,

Visiting hours will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday May 20 from 3 to 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home on Saturday, May 21 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church, 59 Nichols St., Chelsea at 11 a.m.

Should friends desire, contributions in Ronnie’s name may be made to The Gifford Cat Shelter, 30 Undine Rd., Brighton, MA 02135. Gifford Cat Shelter Donation Site

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



Santos “Junior” Leon Jr., USMC
Known as the Mayor of Grove Street

Santos “Junior” Leon Jr., USMC of Chelsea, formerly of Philadelphia, Pa., passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, May 11 at his home in Chelsea, at the age of 66.

Santos, affectionally known simply as “Junior,” was born in Ponce, Puerto Rico on November 5, 1955 to his parents, Teresa and Santos Sr. Shortly after being born, his family relocated to Philadelphia, Pa where he attended St. Bonaventure Catholic School and then went on to Thomas A. Edison High School, also in Philadelphia, graduating with the class of 1973. Shortly after graduation, Santos enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in February of 1974 and he completed eight years of honorable service to his country obtaining the rank of E5 Sergeant. During his time as a US Marine, he received numerous awards to include two good conduct medals, national defense service ribbon, overseas service ribbon and marksman rifle badge.

After leaving the United State Marine Corps, Santos relocated to Chelsea where he began working for the United States Postal Service as an associate in the Chelsea sorting center eventually becoming the supervisor of operations and retiring in 2016 after a lengthy career. Santos enjoyed working out at the YMCA in Chelsea where he made numerous lifelong friends. He also had a passion for bowling.

Those who knew Santos could tell you that he was anything “Philly” including all of their great sports teams and it was rare not to see him sporting a Philly team jersey. But his passion was the Philadelphia Eagles, always chanting “The Eagles’ Victory Song”, Fly Eagles Fly! on the road to victory (Fight! Fight! Fight!) fight Eagles fight! Score a touchdown 1,2,3! (1! 2! 3!) Hit ‘em low! Hit ‘em high! and watch our Eagles Fly! on the road to victory! E-A-G-L-E-S! Eagles!

Santos was known as the Godfather of Uncles to Robert Jr., Giselle, Christian, Michael, Christina, David, Ally, Iaisha, Gilly, Jessica, Janessa, Jennifer, Jalitza, Yesenia, Stephanie, Louie, Brittney, Shane, Franky and Sa-



brina. It certainly wasn’t uncommon for Santos, who was the oldest of his siblings, to get a call from time to time from his brothers and sisters to be the disciplinarian of this group of 20 nieces and nephews. Santos would show up and take charge, in only a way he could, as a United States Marine, and bring his love and affection not just to them but his entire family because he was always their protector.

Santos was also known as the Mayor of Grove Street, Chelsea and he loved to play dominos and softball and had a strong passion for jazz music.

The beloved husband of the late Michel (Callahan) Leon, he was the devoted father to Aaron J. Callahan-Leon of Chelsea, loving son to Teresa Nazario and the late Santos Leon Sr. , adored brother to Baldwin Leon and his wife, Jackie of Saugus, Stephen Leon of Fall River, Shirley Gonzalez and her husband, Frank of Philadelphia, Pa., Nancy Leon and her loving companion, James Duffy of New York, and Robert Leon and his wife, Gabriela, of Lynn; honorary brother to Santos, Pedro, Geraldo and Hiran Flores, as well as Dr. William Short. Santos also leaves behind numerous loving uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

Family and friends honored Santos’s life by gathering at the Ruggiero Family Memorial Home, 971 Saratoga Street, (Orient Heights) East Boston, on Monday, May 16 and immediate family members gathered again on Tuesday, May 17 before leaving in funeral procession by Santos’s home at 151 Grove Street, then to St. Rose Church, 600 Broadway, Chelsea for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass in celebration of Santos’s life. Santos will be laid to rest side by side with his wife, Michel, at a later date.

Santos will be sorely missed by all who knew him and may he rest in eternal happiness. To leave an online condolence visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Patricia “Pat” Sullivan

Chelsea Meter Maid, Crossing Guard and
Prattville Poll Checker

Patricia “Pat” Anne Sullivan of Chelsea passed away unexpectedly on May 13.

Pat was a meter maid and crossing guard for the City of Chelsea and also a Prattville poll checker on voting days. She loved going to Bingo and all her Bingo friends. Pat was a proud Chelsea resident for more than 60 years and she was involved in Chelsea Youth Sports, Our Lady of Assumption School, Chelsea politics and Our Lady of Grace Church.

The beloved wife of the late Bernard “Barney” Sullivan, Sr., she was the loving mother of John, Glenn and his wife, Justine, Kelly Sullivan and her husband, Jerry Rodgers, Stacey Sullivan and Bernard Sullivan, Jr. and his wife, Kara; proud nana of Janelle, Tyler, Shannon, Patrick, Zachary, LilyKate, Lindsay, and Daniel who she cherished and adored. She told stories of them to anyone that would listen. She was the devoted sister of Joan Embree and the late Jack and Jay McDonough and



Marsha Couch and she is also survived by several nieces, nephews and her special uncle, Chet Marsh.

Her Funeral will be held from the William Carafa Funeral Home, 389 Washington Ave, Chelsea on Wednesday, May 25 at 9:15 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church at 10 o’clock. Relatives and friends are invited. Visiting hours are Tuesday, May 24 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will be in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Guestbook@mannandrodgers.com.

Philip Mullett

October 27, 1951 – May 7, 2022

Philip G. Mullett, a lifelong Chelsea resident, passed away suddenly on

Saturday, May 7. Born and raised in Chelsea, Philip attended St. Stanislaus Parochial School and graduated from Chelsea High School. He enlisted in the US Army in 1969 and actively served during the Vietnam War. He was discharged in 1971 and returned home to Chelsea. Philip worked as an independent house painter. He was an all-around Boston sports fan.

The beloved husband of Albani DeMello Mullett of Chelsea, he was the devoted father of Philip DeBellis and his wife, Michelle of Florida, loving son of the late Helen (Osiecki) Mullett and the

late Philip Mullett, survived by his wife, Barbara (Pisiello) Mullett of Chelsea; dear brother of Elizabeth Dampolo and her husband, Conrad of Saugus, Anita Comen and her husband, Michael of Illinois, Patrick Mullett and his wife, Barbara of Everett and Joanne Mullett-Moore and her husband, Danny of California. He is also survived by two grandchildren.

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when the world is fast asleep,
And take a walk down memory lane,
with tears upon my cheek.
Remembering you is easy,
I do it every day.
But missing you is a heartache,
that never goes away.
I hold you tightly within my heart,
and there you will remain.
You see, life has gone on without you,
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TSA prepares for summer travel demand and higher passenger volumes

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is prepared for a busy summer travel season with anticipated passenger volumes that will match and may occasionally exceed those of 2019 for the first time since the pandemic began.

The continued recovery from the low travel volumes during the pandemic may require more patience and planning than was necessary before the pandemic. Checkpoint environments and procedures have changed to enhance screening operations, ensure the safety and well-being of the traveling public, and to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

“Daily passenger volumes at TSA checkpoints show that people are traveling again, and TSA is ready for their return. Our airport security checkpoints include 47,500 highly-trained security professionals and new technologies that enhance security and reduce physical contact,” said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. “We continue to recruit, retain, train and equip a highly-skilled workforce, and we work continuously with our airport and airline partners to anticipate and prepare for higher traffic

patterns.”

Earlier today, six airport and airline partners joined Pekoske during a media roundtable at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport to discuss their operational preparedness for anticipated summer season travel volumes and key changes implemented to ensure safe, secure and healthy travel. They include Sean Donohue, Dallas Fort-Worth International Airport CEO; Nicholas E. Calio, President and CEO, Airlines for America; Kevin Burke, President and CEO, Airports Council International – North America; Todd Hauptli, President and CEO, American Association of Airport Executives; Paul Doell, Vice President of Government Affairs, National Air Carrier Association; and Faye Malarkey Black, President and CEO, Regional Airline Association.

The summer travel season, which begins in late May and extends beyond Labor Day weekend, covers three full months and four major holidays, which includes Juneteenth as the newest federal holiday. Juneteenth will be recognized on Monday, June 20, 2022.

Recent security enhancements at airport

screening checkpoints include two new technologies. TSA deployed Credential Authentication Technology (CAT) and Computed Tomography (CT) scanners to improve identification verification, and in some airports, enable digital identification verification at the Travel Document Checker podium and the scanning capabilities for carry-on bags. Both of these technologies enhance security and reduce physical contact within the checkpoints.

To date, TSA deployed 1,621 CAT units to 176 airports. Among those, 90 CAT units are modified and equipped to read and verify digital identification. TSA also deployed 402 CT units to 163 airports nationwide. In March, the agency announced the award of two orders for the procurement and maintenance of additional base and full-size CT scanners to be installed at checkpoints during the summer months.

The CT units provide TSA officers the ability to review a 3D image of passengers’ bags and reduce the need to search the bag’s contents. Passengers screened in security lanes with CT units do not need to remove their travel-size liquids bag or electronics.

The new CT units are currently being installed at Billings Logan International Airport in Montana, Albany International Airport in New York, Buffalo Niagara International Airport in New York, Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport and Raleigh-Durham International Airport in North Carolina.

For those who choose to travel this summer, follow these five simple tips to get through the TSA checkpoint quickly and efficiently.

Tip 1: Face masks are optional, but recommended. The CDC recommends face masks for passengers aged two and older in indoor areas of public transportation and transportation hubs as an effective precaution for those who seek to avoid exposure to COVID in higher risk public spaces. CDC provides health recommendations for domestic travel during COVID-19 and for international travel on its website at CDC.gov.

Tip 2: Pack smart; start with empty bags. Airline passengers who pack for travel with empty bags are less likely to bring prohibited items through a TSA checkpoint. Technology and modifications help re-

duce the need for physical contact with TSA officers, but those who take time to come prepared for the TSA checkpoint are far more likely to avoid delay and physical contact. Check for prohibited items by using the “What Can I Bring?” page on TSA.gov.

Tip 3: Know before you go. Airports, like highways, have high traffic surges and construction delays. Plan to arrive at the airport in plenty of time to check in, check bags and complete security screening in time to avoid stressful sprints to the departure gate. At the TSA checkpoint, have a valid ID card readily available and follow the liquids rule of 3.4 ounces or less, with the exception of hand sanitizer, which has a temporary 12-ounce limit in carry-on baggage.

Tip 4: Contact TSA for help if there are questions or concerns. Those who are preparing to travel and may have special circumstances, considerations or general questions about airport screening can get live assistance by tweeting questions and comments to @AskTSA or via Facebook Messenger, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. EDT and weekends/holidays from 9 a.m. to 7

p.m. EDT. You can also call the TSA Contact Center at 866-289-9673.

TSA also offers TSA Cares, a helpline for travelers with disabilities, medical conditions and other special circumstances. You may submit a request for assistance by calling TSA Cares at 855-787-2227, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. and weekends/holidays from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. TSA Cares are open 365 days a year. Passengers may also use the TSA Cares form available on the TSA website which can be found at <https://www.tsa.gov/travel/passenger-support>.

Tip 5: Enroll now in TSA PreCheck® to “Travel with Ease.” By enrolling in TSA PreCheck, airline passengers can avoid removing shoes, belts, liquids, food, laptops and light jackets at the TSA checkpoint. Most new enrollees receive their known traveler number within five days, and membership lasts for five years. In April, 94% of TSA PreCheck passengers waited less than 5 minutes at the checkpoint.

For additional information about security screening or more travel tips before a summer trip, visit TSA.gov.

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day (Thursday) and then will host the GBL Meet this Monday at Chelsea Stadium.

CHS BOYS TRACK FALLS SHORT IN TRI-MEET

Although the Chelsea High boys outdoor track and field team came up short to both Revere (99-37) and Malden (72-63) in a tri-meet at Chelsea Stadium last Thursday, a number of Red Devils turned in fine performances.

Emmanuel Simon won the long jump vs. Malden with a leap of 18’-8”, which also earned him a

second vs. Revere. Emmanuel took top spot in the triple jump vs. Malden with a landing of 40’-9” and second vs. Revere. He finished in third vs. both opponents in the 100 dash (11.9). In the 200 dash, Emmanuel took second vs. Malden and third vs. Revere with a sprint of 24.5.

Emmanuel totaled 22 points on the day for his efforts.

Ali Warsame scored points in multiple events. Ali took third vs. Malden in the long jump (17’-1.5”); second vs. Malden and third vs. Revere in the triple jump (37’-9”); and second place vs. both

opponents in the 400 dash (53.5).

Jeffrey Ponce topped the field in the shot-put with a throw of 41’-1”.

Teammate Henry Martinez grabbed second place vs. both foes in the shot with his toss of 36’-3”.

Nate Nadow took first place vs. Malden in the 800 in 2:17.8, which also earned him a third vs. Revere. Nate also scored a point with a third-place effort vs. Malden in the 400 hurdles in 1:07.5.

Ian Padilla’s time of 11:44.6 in the two-mile run gave him a second-place finish vs. both Malden and Revere.

Carlos Jimenez Mora finished second vs. both rivals with a javelin throw of 109’-4”.

Alexander Estrada finished second vs. Malden and third vs. Revere in the mile with a clocking of 5:07.6.

Alejandro Zepeda took third vs. Malden in the mile in 5:24.6 and Johnny Maldonado finished third vs. Revere in the two-mile run (12:42.4).

Gary Giron took second place vs. Malden in the 100 hurdles in 18.1.

Nasir Adams scored a point vs. Malden in the triple jump (32’-9”).

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But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

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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On Friday, May 6, the cosmetology program welcomed 11 guests, who were gifted a variety of services that students have been working to master. The

guests included mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and older sisters of students in the program, and each got to choose from a menu of options, including condition-

ing treatments, hair coloring, and various styling techniques.

Loved ones were invited via elegant, hand-addressed invitations. Northeast's culinary pro-

gram supported the event by providing refreshments for guests.

The event was developed through a collaborative effort by Cosmetology Department.

"It was so great to see our students, families, and teachers collaborating on such a positive learning experience," Superintendent DiBarri said.

COURTESY PHOTOS NORTHEAST METRO TECH



Skyla Christie, of Revere, performing a color service and blow-dry on her grandmother, Fran Christie.



Lisandro Baez, of Chelsea, performing a blow-dry style on his mother, Carmen Urena.



Jenmi Guerra, of Chelsea, performing a conditioning treatment and blow-dry style on a classmate's aunt, Traci Rodrigues.

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ZONTA CLUB NEWS

Members of the Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore recently delivered scholarship checks to local High Schools in Everett, Winthrop, Revere, Saugus and Chelsea. We

are so pleased to continue awarding these scholarships to deserving young woman excelling in mathematics and science studies who are graduating from local High Schools.

We are proud to be able to support the high school's scholarship programs and we wish the recipients all the best in their future endeavors.



Chelsea High School receiving the Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore annual scholarship check, left to right-- Scholarship Committee member Paula Zanberg , Michael Lovato Principal, Kimberly Murphy Vice Principal and Zonta First VP Mary Jane O'Neill

ZONTA CLUB OF CHELSEA AND NORTH SHORE DONATES TO SALVATION ARMY



The Salvation Army of Chelsea recently held a Mother's Day Celebration honoring mothers and women. When members of the Zonta Club of Chelsea and North Shore heard of this event they were eager to see what they could do to help or contribute. When they found out that gift cards were needed they spread the word to the members and collected a large amount of gift cards to add to the other donations from the many other donors and contributors. Zonta members met with Captain Brenda Gonsalvez to present her with their donation.