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GREENROOTS HOLDS FAREWELL PARTY FOR MARIA BELEN POWER

Chelsea-based GreenRoots held a farewell party for Assistant Executive Director Maria Belen Power, who began in her new position Monday as Undersecretary of Environmental Justice and Equity in the Governor Healey Administration.

GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni, staff, and friends honored Power's outstanding work in the organization at the celebration held March 2 at Lime Restaurant, Chelsea.

Bongiovanni opened the speaking portion of the program, praising Power's diligent efforts during her tenure at GreenRoots.

"Over the last ten years of working with Maria Belen, I have seen her grow into a dynamic, powerful advocate for environmental justice, climate justice and a just transition from the fossil fuel economy," Bongiovanni told the many guests in attendance.



From left, Matt Power-Koch, Andrea Nyamekye, Maria Belen Power, Claire-Karl Miller, Sofia Owen, Vick Mohanka, Cindy Luppi, and Roseann Bongiovanni.

"She has fought locally in Chelsea and East Boston, in the Greater Boston area, statewide and all the way to the White House. Her voice, passion and dedica-

tion on the state level can and will lead to the changes we all have been advocating, waiting for and holding our breath for, for the last several decades.

Maria Belen, we are instilling in you all of our faith for major structural changes – no pressure of

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Youth sports benefiting from new city fund

By Adam Swift

The city is helping several local youth sports leagues through a fund the City Council established last year.

Council President Leo Robinson has been a strong proponent for increasing funding to local athletic leagues in hopes of increasing youth sports participation in the city.

In addition to the \$50,000 fund that was established by the council, Robinson has noted that money coming into the city from developers from the recently approved linkage fees ordinance may be earmarked for

youth sports.

At last week's City Council meeting, District 6 Councilor Giovanni Recupero requested an update on how the money in the youth sports fund has been allocated thus far, and if any remaining funds roll over from year to year.

City Solicitor Cheryl Watson Fisher noted that the city puts \$50,000 into the fund per year, with any unused funds going into the city's general free cash if it is not used.

"The Chelsea Youth Sports Fund was established in the latter part of FY2022 funded by \$50,000 from the City Council," stated Interim

City Manager Ned Keefe. "The goal of the fund is to increase participation by Chelsea Youth (ages 3-21) across a wide range of sports activities, and provides funding to sports organizations to defray the cost of athletic expenses (transportation, uniforms, equipment, facility fees, etc.) based upon the level of participation in the league."

The Recreation and Cultural Affairs department has been actively promoting the fund to promote the expansion of the existing sports leagues and encourage the formation of new sports leagues.

"Due to the newness

of the fund, most leagues are still in the process of building the league roster participation to establish the funding level," stated Keefe.

Those funding requests that are currently in process include \$6,000 for Matias Soccer School, \$6,000 for Chelsea Bears football league, and \$4,000 for Chelsea Youth Basketball League.

"The Fund is moving forward to award these funds to those completed applications, and is engaged with four additional league operators to establish their interest and eligibility," according to Keefe.

Resident parking restrictions requested for Chestnut Street

By Adam Swift

Finding a parking space isn't especially easy anywhere in the city, but the closer to Broadway, the tougher finding a spot can get.

At Tuesday night's Parking and Traffic Commission meeting, Chestnut Street resident Theodore Bisbicos appeared before the commission to discuss parking issues on his street. The commission suggested Bisbicos submit a formal request to the commission in time for its next meeting requesting that his block of Chestnut Street between Third and Fourth Streets be a residents-only parking area

during daytime hours.

"We bought a three-family over on Chestnut Street in May of '21, so we are learning about on-street parking and how difficult it is in Chelsea," said Bisbicos.

Bisbicos said his girlfriend works in and out of her house during the day, and it can be difficult and frustrating to find a parking space when she leaves and then comes back during the day.

"We noticed that between Fourth and Fifth Streets, they have restricted parking during the daytime," he said.

In addition, Bisbicos said his area of the street has lost several parking

spaces to curb cuts and handicap spaces. In addition, there is an ongoing construction project on the street that has led to lost parking spaces during the day.

"We also get a ton of overflow parking from Broadway, and I think that is the main cause," Bisbicos said. "They can't find it on Broadway, so they come over to our section of Chestnut because it is a nice loop that you just keep going around. So what I am wondering is can we mimic the same parking they have between Fourth and Fifth which restricts daytime parking as well to only residents?"

Traffic Commission member James Caron of the public works department said the 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. parking restrictions between Fourth and Fifth were likely in place because they are near where the commuter rail station and Silver Line stop used to be located.

"It's tough, like you said, on one hand we

made that zone over there no parking during the day because of the train station," said Caron. "But on the other side, there is a bus stop that goes right into Boston where someone could park there all day without a sticker and come back."

Bisbicos said he would take the commission's suggestion to make a formal request for parking restrictions on his block of Chestnut and ask his neighbors to support the request.

"We can go from there, and hopefully the construction finishes and you get a few more spaces," said Caron.

Any formal request for a change in parking regulations would need a public hearing, as well as final approval by the city council.

In other business on Tuesday night, the Traffic and Parking Commission denied a request for a no parking sign on the edge

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Council subcommittee seeking city manager screening members

By Adam Swift

A special City Council subcommittee to select a screening committee for a new city manager held its first meeting Monday night.

The five councilors are tasked with selecting four residents to serve on a screening committee to interview candidates to replace former City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

The past several weeks have seen the search process ramp up, with the appointment of the screening committee subcommittee, a citizen's input session, and the extension of the deadline for residents to fill out a city manager search inquiry form online.

Councilor-at-Large Brian Hatleberg said the subcommittee is still seek-

ing residents who wish to serve on the screening committee. Last week, Council President Leo Robinson appointed Eugene O'Flaherty to serve as the chair of the screening committee.

Any resident who does wish to serve should contact the Chelsea City Council at jcarmenatty@chelseama.gov.

The screening committee will work with the UMass Boston-based Collins Center to help select a new city manager.

The Collins Center recommended that the screening committee not include city councilors to help protect the privacy of those who may wish to apply for the position.

The screening committee will interview candi-

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Kenny Larson goes for the gold

Will fight for NE boxing title Saturday

By Cary Shuman

Kenny Larson has been awesome during the start to his professional boxing career. The welterweight division contender is 6-0 with five first-round knockouts and one unanimous decision.

Larson, who trains at the Broadway Boxing Club in Everett under the guidance of coaches Joe Ricciardi and Dennis Willcox, is preparing for his biggest test to-date.

Larson will be fighting in the main event at the Mass Mutual Center in Springfield Saturday

(March 11) against Massachusetts state welterweight champion Denzel Whitley (10-0-0, 6 KOs). The New England title will also be on the line.

"This is the biggest fight of my career and my life," said Larson, who is 5-feet-6 and competes in the 147-pound division.

The 33-year-old fighter is confident he can hand Whitley his first loss as a pro.

"His record looks good, but I feel like he hasn't faced any real competition," said Larson. "I'm

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Professional boxer Kenny "Lightheart" Larson, who will be fighting for the New England title Saturday in Springfield, is pictured with his training and management team, Joe Ricciardi (left) and Dennis Willcox (right).

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It's time to SPRING FORWARD

Don't forget to set your clocks forward on Saturday

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CITY PAWS

Including your dog

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

You must consider many factors to decide if you will include your dog in a specific social event or activity. We’ve had three dogs and have learned first-hand that what is comfortable and fun for a dog and us depends on both our needs and those of the dog.

Our Three-Dog Experience!

Westie, number one, Sassy, was a great traveler. She loved the car and was good around adults but avoided children. She was not good with other dogs. She had spent most of her life in a suburb with a big yard and lacked city smarts and canine companionship until we moved to Boston.

Dog number two, Maggie Mae, was a social butterfly. She loved people, dogs, and city life. We took her to outdoor concerts and meals at dog-friendly restaurants. We could trust her to walk on busy streets. However, she suffered from motion

sickness and was very unhappy whenever we put her in a car.

Our current canine family member is a special-needs dog who is noise-averse and very unhappy outside. She ignores most dogs, but she’s good in a car or on the MBTA. She is only interested in a few special human friends.

Expert Advice

A recent article by certified dog trainer Kathy Callahan, CPDT-KA, in The Whole Dog Journal, offered some great advice on deciding to include your dog in a social situation.

After asking that we not expect every dog to be able to handle every situation, she wrote, “Instead, with your dog’s specific skills and limitations in mind, take the time to think through situations ahead of time, and make adult decisions about whether and how to safely include the dog.”

Practice Is Important

To expand the number

of places and activities you and your dog can enjoy together, begin with training. We recommend preparing for The American Kennel Club’s Canine Good Citizen test (CGC.) Once you know if your dog can pass or will fail the test’s requirements, you’ll make better decisions about when and where you can safely include your dog.

For a CGC certificate, your dog should be able to greet a friendly stranger; sit politely for petting, welcome being groomed; allow paws and ears to be handled; walk as directed on a loose leash; move politely through a crowd; sit, lie down, and stay in place on command; come when called; behave politely around other dogs; react with confidence to distractions and can be left with a trusted person.

Considerate Decisions

Anytime we planned an outing, we had to decide if including one of our dogs was a good idea. We omitted Sassy when we visited people with dogs or when



While perfect for this beagle, a hike in the woods might not be suitable for your dog.

other dogs would be at an event. We left Maggie at home to go on hikes with one of her favorite doggie companions and his people. We knew she would be miserable and probably sick in their car on the ride. Poppy is better off at home when we’re going to any place where there will

be trucks or loud noises.

Once your dog is reliable with a skill, start with a small outing. Try having a coffee at a cafe instead of a long meal on a patio. Take a day trip with another dog family before you decide to share a vacation week at the beach. Test how you and your dog re-

act to a minor challenge before you take on a big one. Then practice until you are both comfortable.

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

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

BRITO MARTINS NAMED TO DEAN’S LIST

Rosa S. Brito Martins, of Chelsea, was named to second honors on the Clark University Dean’s List. This selection marks outstanding academic achievement during the Fall 2022 semester.

Students must have a GPA of 3.8 or above for first honors or a GPA between 3.50 and 3.79 for second honors.

Founded in 1887, Clark University is a liberal arts-

based research university that prepares its students to meet tomorrow’s most daunting challenges and embrace its greatest opportunities. Through 33 undergraduate majors, more than 30 advanced degree programs, and nationally recognized community partnerships, Clark fuses rigorous scholarship with authentic world and workplace experiences that empower our students to pursue lives and careers of meaning and consequence.

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of the Bellingham Street parking lot entrance for Worldwide Perishables.

The commission also tabled a decision on a request on making a portion of Clark Avenue one way until there is further information from the city’s traffic engineering consultant.

City Council President Leo Robinson requested

the commission look into posting signage to support the police department’s efforts around the 988 phone number in regards to suicide prevention.

The commission determined that the posting of the signs were not related to parking or traffic, and could be approved by the city council.

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dates and present several finalists to the City Council for final interviews and the council’s selection of a new city manager.

“The screening committee will be responsible for interviewing for the city manager and giving us a dwindling list that we will eventually choose from,” said Councilor-at-Large and subcommittee member Damali Vidot at last week’s citi-

zen input session. “I’m assuming at that point, as we did last time, there will be more input from the community, because that is something that I think we are advocating for is for everyone to be involved in the process.”

Vidot said the Collins Center recommended it was best the city councilors not be involved in the initial interview and screening process.

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just going to go right at him.”

Larson said his style of fighting differs from that of his opponent.

“They describe him [Whitley] as an elusive counter-puncher. He likes to sit back and pick perfect shots. That’s the complete opposite of my style. I’m an aggressive, pressure fighter and I’m going to overwhelm him,” said Larson.

Always the plan to turn pro

Larson competed in 30 amateur fights, traveling to Ireland for a few of his bouts. He captured a New England Golden Gloves title in 2016. Last November, he made the decision

to turn professional.

“That was always my plan to turn pro – I was just waiting for the right time, and I think I’m with the right team and the right crew,” said Larson, who is an electrician by trade. “They say, ‘when you know, you know,’ and I felt like if I’m going to take a shot at it, this is the crew I want to be with in Dennis and Joe. I couldn’t ask for a better pair and I know they have my back wholeheartedly and want nothing but the best for me. I’m representing them and they’re representing me.”

Said Willcox, whose son, Shea, is also a promising boxer, “Kenny’s worked hard. He’s been

boxing for a long time. He lives clean outside the gym. He trains hard, so I’m confident he can pull it off and bring the title back to Everett. Kenny’s style is definitely made to shock opponents like Denzel Whitley.”

Proud of his nickname and his Irish heritage

Larson is proud of his boxing nickname, which is “Lionheart.”

“I fought in the Golden Gloves and this guy said, ‘hey kid, you fight with the heart of a lion, when you turn professional, I’ll come watch you fight, so I couldn’t think of a better name to call myself. I feel the name fits me well.”

Fighting six days ahead

puts pressure on Chelsea residents, it’s best to keep out of it, so we decided to go full resident.”

The online city manager inquiry forms can be found online at chelseama.gov, and residents have until Tuesday, March 14 to provide feedback on the qualities they would like to see in a new city manager.

His focus is on the fight

Kenny Larson said he is not looking past his undefeated opponent.

“I’m not going to think too far ahead. Right now, my goal is to bring that title back to the North Shore. My mission, my focus is to just get rid of Whitley.”

Larson will have plenty of support in Springfield. “My mother [Shelly Shea] and my uncle [Ralph Shea] will be there. I’ll have a big crowd out there with a lot of friends and family.”

Jimma Nelson Memorial Scholarship Fund

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OF THE
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ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Allison R. Burns, as
Personal Representative
of the Estate of Jean P.
Christophe and Carline
Christophe
and to all persons
entitled to the benefit of
the Servicemembers Civil
Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50
§3901 (et seq)
CitiMortgage, Inc.
claiming to have an
interest in a Mortgage
covering real property in
Chelsea numbered 271
Washington Avenue, Jean
P. Christophe to CitiBank,
N.A., dated January 17,
2014, and recorded in
Suffolk County Registry
of Deeds in Book 52593,
Page 52, and now held
by Plaintiff by assign-
ment, have filed with
this court a complaint for
determination of Defen-
dants’ Servicemembers
status.
If you now are, or re-
cently have been, in the
active military service
of the United States of
America, then you may
be entitled to the benefits
of the Servicemembers
Civil Relief Act. If you
object to a foreclosure

of the above-mentioned
property on that basis,
then you or your attor-
ney must file a written
appearance and answer
in this court at Three
Pemberton Square,
Boston, MA 02108 on
or before 4/17/2023
or you may lose the
opportunity to challenge
the foreclosure on the
ground of noncompliance
with the Act.
Witness, Gordon H. Piper,
Chief Justice of this Court
on 3/1/2023.
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder

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LEGAL NOTICE
THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT
23 SM 000929
ORDER OF NOTICE

To: Christopher Marsh
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Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50
§3901 (et seq):
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interest in a Mortgage
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Beacon Condominium,
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Marsh to Mortgage

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Inc., dated December 21,
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Page 312, and now
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foreclosure of the above
mentioned property on
that basis, then you or
your attorney must file a
written appearance and
answer in this court at
Three Pemberton Square,
Boston, MA 02108 on
or before April 17, 2023
or you may lose the
opportunity to challenge
the foreclosure on the
ground of noncompliance
with the Act.
Witness, Gordon H. Piper,
Chief Justice of this Court
on March 6, 2023.
Attest: Deborah J.
Patterson
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dress, email address, and
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than Thursday, March 23,
2023. To request to join
the Special Nomination
Meeting, please submit
an email to specialmeet-
ing@metrocu.org with
your name, address,
email address, and
phone number no later
than Thursday, March
23, 2023. All nominees
and attendees must be
members of Metro Credit
Union. Voting will take
place during the Special
Nominating Meeting with
present attendees.
Respectfully submitted,

Paul M. Gulko
Clerk

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Dragica Ivanis, Chief
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current_bids_soli-
citations.php.
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vices for Skilled Trades
and Credentials Training
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Procurement Officer no
later than 11:00AM on
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Dragica Ivanis
Chief Procurement
Officer

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SPRING FORWARD THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday, March 12, marks the start of Daylight Savings Time when we set our clocks ahead an hour.

Yes, we lose an hour of sleep, but the time for sunset magically will move from 5:46 PM on Saturday to 6:48 PM on Sunday, giving us an extra hour of daylight in the evening. (Conversely, we lose an hour of daylight in the morning because sunrise also moves up an hour, from 6:01 AM on Saturday to 6:59 AM on Sunday.)

Even though Daylight Savings Time has occurred in March for quite a few years, for those of us who grew up when Daylight Savings Time did not begin until mid-April, the earlier start to the Daylight Savings season is a bit jarring.

When Daylight Savings began in April, it was a sure sign that spring was in the air and that summer was around the corner. It also coincided with the start of the Little League season, another harbinger of summer.

But with Daylight Savings now coming in mid-March, when the weather is still chilly, Daylight Savings occurs when the weather is not even remotely spring-like.

Still, we’re happy to have that extra hour of daylight in our evenings. The weather may not be great, but at least it’s bright at 7:00 PM -- a signal that although spring may not quite have arrived, winter surely is fading fast.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- THE REVERE BEACH SAND SCULPTING FESTIVAL IS JULY 28-30

Speaking of the coming summer season of 2023, the Revere Beach Partnership, in coordination with the City of Revere and the Department of Conservation and Recreation, recently announced that the 19th Annual Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival, one of the premier events of the summer season in Greater Boston, will take place from July 28-30.

The theme for this year’s event will be “Celebrating 90 Years of Kong” and will feature a centerpiece sand sculpture highlighting an epic King Kong battle. The event’s signature master sand sculpting competition will feature 15 master sand sculptors, three days of live entertainment, gourmet food trucks, specialty food vendors, exhibitors, and amusement rides, as well as some special King Kong-themed surprises that will be announced closer to the event.

As always, the festival promises to be fun for everyone, regardless of age, and will be a family-friendly event.

Revere Beach proudly is America’s oldest public beach and has been undergoing a new Renaissance-era in the past decade and the festival will give long-time residents of the Boston area an opportunity to see firsthand the transformation that has occurred in recent years.

With good weather, the festival could attract up to a million people. Fortunately, the Blue Line has a stop at Revere Beach (and at Wonderland) and offers the best means of transportation for visitors.

So mark your calendars now to be sure to check out what has become one of the most-anticipated events of the summer season in the Greater Boston (and beyond) area.

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Working together, an essential for every family

Dr. Glenn Mollette

I was not quite five years old when I stood, looking up the steps to our upstairs, yelling “Mommy hurry, Mamaw is dying.” My grandmother Ina Hinkle and aunt Maude Hinkle were in the room trying to comfort my Mamaw Mollette. Throughout the morning she had been sick. She had complained about pain and Grandma Hinkle and Aunt Maude were constantly rubbing her arms trying to comfort her.

Life was different back in that day. My dad had driven our only car to West Virginia to work his shift in the coal mine. We didn’t have a hospital in our county and Doc Ford was the lone medical doctor. He routinely had 10 to 20 people waiting to see him.

We didn’t have a paramedic unit in Martin County. Our local funeral home would take people to the hospital in their hearse but there was no medical care rendered on the way. I got that ride twice. Once, when I split my head open playing with a first cousin. The second time was after a bad car wreck while driving my first old Chev-elle to high school.

We didn’t have a telephone at that time. We didn’t have a telephone

until I was nine years old and then it was an eight-family party line. Thus, there was no way my mother could call for help or drive to ask for help for my Mamaw.

Racing down the steps to my plea and the calls of Grandma Hinkle and Aunt Maude, who were now calling in unison with me to my mother Eula, “Come Eula, she is dying!” As we gathered around Mamaw’s bed we stood as she breathed her last few breaths and departed her body to be with Jesus. There wasn’t anything else we could do but cry as we held to her lifeless body.

The words of those Saintly women standing in the room that day were “She is now with the Lord.”

My sister Wanda recalls she was a junior in high school at that time. There were semester tests that particular day at school. “Mamaw asked me not to go to school that day saying, ‘Don’t go, I’m going to die today.’” As many of us would probably reply, she said “Mamaw, you aren’t going to die. You’re going to be fine.” As we age, we know our bodies and we know when things have changed. Mamaw knew it was her last day.

When my dad came home from the coal mine,

he went into Mamaw’s room where her body lay and bent over and hugged her. A little later the funeral home came for her body.

The funeral home brought her body back to our house where her casket and flowers were placed in a bedroom just off from our living room. Many family members and friends visited our house the next couple of days.

Mamaw Mollette’s husband, my grandfather Lafe, whom I never met, died about a year or so before my dad and mom married. For the next 19 to 20 years, I don’t know the exact number, Mamaw Mollette lived with Mom and Dad and our family. She visited for weeks with her other sons who lived in West Virginia but most of her time was spent with us. I got less than five years with Mamaw but my two sisters and two brothers spent many years with her.

We grew up in a small house with one bathroom. There were eight of us living in the house. We only had four small bedrooms and a hallway with a twin bed. We had guests all the time. Very often other family members were visiting and my mother worked nonstop to feed and take care of ev-

erybody. Looking back, I wonder how Mom and Dad were able to keep it all together. I was on the tail end of the family so being worried about access to the bathroom and space wasn’t much of a concern at that stage.

My hat is off to my dad and mom for making a place for Mamaw all those years. They worked together. Life was not always easy but it was all we knew and we did the best we could. Mom and Dad stayed together for over 60 years and both are now buried in the garden where they worked together for most of their lives.

The point of all this is that families can make it if they will work hard, love each other, and be very patient. Every family has ups and downs. No family is perfect. No one lives life without problems and troubles. Treating each other with love and respect, and everyone working together are essentials for every family.

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.

FKO Out-of-School Time educators complete first college course

Recently, twelve employees at For Kids Only Afterschool (FKO) Out-of-School Time Apprentices completed their first college course in their recently expanded roles as full-time out-of-school-time (OST) educators. Anthony Maurais, Derek DiLisi, Elida Flores, Hayley Precopio, Jason Hennessey, Keila Fernandes De Pina, Killian Driscoll, Laura Baptista, Jesenia Bey, Leila Ribeiro, Nuala Richards, and Tashira Godding were among those who completed the course.

FKO has been fortunate to recruit dedicated, passionate staff who love working with children, yet with the extremely competitive labor market, keeping passionate workers in programs has never been harder for childcare providers. Utilizing fund-

ing from COVID-relief grants, FKO creatively designed what is believed to be the first apprenticeship model program for the OST workforce in the Commonwealth.

As part of the apprenticeship model, FKO’s cohort of full-time workers are enrolled in an early childhood college certificate program targeted specifically to the learning needs of OST educators through a partnership with North Shore Community College (NSCC). Funded in part through the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Cares Early Educator Career Pathways Program, there are no costs to staff. The cohort is also benefitting from weekly community of practice sessions facilitated by NSCC, weekly 1:1 meetings with an assigned mentor, and on

the job training to help put their new skills into practice.

The apprenticeship model is drawing on extensive FKO fundraising with support from the Amelia Peabody Foundation, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education’s ASOST-Rebound grant, EEC’s Commonwealth Cares for Children’s C3 grant and EEC’s Early Educator Career Pathways Program. With these resources, FKO has expanded existing part-time OST work into full-time positions with benefits for a cohort of 22 staff members. Work is underway to secure public and private funds to continue and expand this important initiative over the long-term. The overall goal for the cohort is to increase worker’s ability to deliver quality enrichment

for school-age youth and to support the retention of skilled workers. With their expanded roles and increased income, group leaders are participating in extensive professional development opportunities and daily planning time to design lessons and activities that support children’s learning and social-emotional recovery after two very difficult years.

FKO is honored to be able to continue to offer this incredible opportunity to those interested in developing classroom, youth development and mentoring skills. To learn more about FKO visit fkoafter-school.org/.

Only Afterschool (FKO): FKO is a nonprofit organization providing out of school time care to communities in and around the Metro Boston area.

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Our Senior Life

Starting Your Own Business



More and more Americans aged 55-64 are starting their own businesses, giving meaning and purpose to a period that used to be defined by rocking chairs and sunsets. But as always, smart financial planning and a solid business forecast are a

must.

LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE

The first thing to do, even before deciding whether to bring your new goods or services to market, is putting your future

plans in perspective. How active do you intend to be, in particular once you reach retirement age? Do you have any health concerns? Did you have plans to see the world, or were you planning to stay closer to home? Will you ultimately downsize or move into a shared-living situation? How do you plan to disperse your estate? Are there family members who would ultimately take over? All of these decisions will have a direct impact when embarking on a start-up operation and on how you set up the company itself in terms of management and ownership.

INSIDE THE NUMBERS

Leveraging a lifetime of experience and improved financial means, seniors are actually more likely to start their own business, the U.S. Global Entrepreneurship Monitor confirms. In fact, new business activity has consistently risen on a year-to-year basis among this age group. The same rate

has declined among younger Americans, who may be less apt to take financial risks because of budget pressures relating to new families or building their careers. In some cases, seniors have amassed enough wealth that they can being these ventures without taking out a significant loan — or any loans at all. Seniors with higher aspirations have also had longer to build up significant reserve funds that can smooth the way during the lean early years of a new business.

WHY NOW?

Seniors have decades of learned skills that can now be put to use to further their own financial goals. They've also made key connections over the years that can ease the start-up process, including long-held banking relationships, previous work with various contractors and familiarity with local government permitting and regulations. If they pair this new business with smart lifestyle changes like downsizing, they may also have significantly lower personal expenses. Finally, they usually have lots of experience with planning and executing a comprehensive business plan.

Retiring the Right Way

Smart financial planning starts early and never stops

More than a third of us don't have enough saved for our golden years, according to the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors. That will force many to keep working past the point where they'd like to retire. Here's how to get organized, overcome common issues and hire a professional to make sure you're set to retire the right way.

ORGANIZING IT ALL

Regularly re-evaluate your future in the years leading to retirement, then be prepared to keep a close eye on market-connected sources of income. It's admittedly a lot to manage, since most people leave the workplace with a stack of retirement-related investments to sort through. Begin by taking a close look at your various mutual funds or stocks, pensions or other benefit programs, and various savings accounts. Consolidating all of it into one neat package will give you a new perspective on where you stand going forward. You'll also be more pre- pared to react to market changes that often have such a huge impact 401(k) benefits in the future.

SETTING GOALS

Obviously, you're trying to amass enough savings and income to live comfortably outside of the daily work environment. But life has a way of surprising us. So after you've determined what you'll need to cover regular expens- es, add a contingency on top of that in case of emergen- cies. Be aware of the tax implications if you decide to continue working, or elect to return to work, in order to continue building your nest egg. Contact a financial advisor who you can trust to help guide the way.

FINDING A PROFESSIONAL

Ask family and friends for recommendations before partnering with an invest- ment pro, and pay close attention to online reviews. The National Association of Personal Financial Advisors also provides a search func- tion to expand the vetting process. Consider discussing your retirement with several potential candidates, and don't be afraid to ask probing questions — beginning with their credentials. Your advisor should be a certified pub- lic accountant or certified financial planner. Determine how long they've been involved with financial ser-

vices, while asking for personal references. Discuss their compensation, which may be fee- or commission-based — or both. Keep

searching until you find someone whose experience, skill set, pricing and approach match your goals.



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Wrinkles should merely indicate where smiles have been

— Mark Twain

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TEMPLE EMMANUEL HOLDS PURIM PARTY

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Temple Emmanuel held a party March 5 in the Elaine and Larry Smith Hall to celebrate the Jewish holiday of Purim. Temple President Sara Lee Callahan, Rabbi Oksana Chapman, and Event Chair Cindy Millman welcomed the many guests to the celebration that featured a delicious brunch, the singing of Purim songs, and entertainment. Magician Steve Charette dazzled the children and adults in attendance with his incredible feats of magic and illusion.



Magician Steve Charette and Temple Board Member Ronald Waxman.



Ken Wacks and his sister, Janice Doherty.



Seated are Carol Turransky, Ralph Turransky, and Esther Berkowitz. Standing are Susan Kelly, Sue Huberman, Rabbi Oksana Chapman, and Ellen Goldstick.



Amy Torf Feinberg (left), funeral director at Torf Funeral Service, with her husband, Jeffrey Feinberg, son, Hunter Feinberg, and daughter, Brianna Feinberg. Missing from photo: Mikayla Feinberg.



Seated are Murray Novak, Charles Director, Stephen Vider, and Ronda Winer. Standing are Dotty Novak, Laurie-Ann Tattelman, Cindy Millman, Michael Callahan, Sara Lee Callahan, Edythe Shuman, and Alan Kandinov.



Edythe Shuman, Herb Selesnick, and Dotty Novak.



Among those guests enjoying the Purim Party at Temple Emmanuel are Rena George, Howard Sorkin, Skip Doherty, Janice Doherty, Christine Doherty with Jack Doherty, Eric Doherty, and Brian Doherty, and (front, right) Nathan Doherty, and Stella Doherty.



Public Comment on Proposed Title VI Policy Changes

The MBTA is proposing changes to our **Disparate Impact and Disproportionate Burden (DI/DB) Policy** and **Public Engagement Plan (PEP)**. These policies are a part of our compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits the MBTA from discriminating on the basis of race, color, or national origin, including limited English proficiency.

We’re collecting public feedback to ensure that these policy updates are understood by riders and will benefit the communities we serve. You can submit comments through **Friday, April 14, 2023**.

Learn more about the changes and ways to provide feedback at mbta.com/draftpolicies

Public Meetings

We’re hosting public meetings in March to share the proposed changes with you, answer your questions, and listen to your feedback.

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 6pm

Location: State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116 (hybrid via Zoom)
Chinese and Spanish interpreters will be provided for this meeting.

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 6pm

Location: QARI, 275 Hancock St, Suite 202, Quincy, MA 02171
Chinese interpreter will be provided for this meeting.

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 6pm

Location: La Collaborativa, 318 Broadway, Chelsea, MA 02150
Spanish interpreter will be provided for this meeting.



Accessibility accommodations and additional language services can be provided upon request, as available.

Residents and community groups join forces to fight extreme heat

Special to the Record

The Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA) in collaboration with the cities of Everett, Chelsea, Malden, the Town of Arlington, GreenRoots, Everett Community Growers, and the Friends of the Malden River kicked off a project to combat extreme heat in their municipalities through ideas led by residents and community leaders this February.

Wicked Cool Mystic, funded through the state Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program, is a two-year effort to meaningfully engage residents, workers, and community members in designing fun and affordable solutions to help people stay cool and healthy during our increasingly hot summers. Right now residents can share how they experience heat and potential solutions by tak-

ing the Wicked Cool Mystic Heat Safety Survey. Residents need to select the survey specific to your municipality (Arlington, Malden, Everett, Chelsea—and after completing the survey earn a \$25 gift card.

The project is a follow up to Wicked Hot Mystic, a volunteer science effort that created a map of the hottest places in the watershed (see results here). The data show that the hottest neighborhoods in the Mystic River watershed correlate closely with historic redlining and current low-income communities of color.

Wicked Cool Mystic will work with communities experiencing the worst effects of extreme heat. Community members will lead in designing, creating and implementing community-specific cooling solutions. Eight local Wicked Cool Ambassadors, two from each of the



First row from left to right: Mariangelí Echevarría Ramos (MyRWA), Marissa Zampino (MyRWA), Natalia Bayona (MyRWA), Nicole Fina (Everett Community Growers). Second row from left to right: Ada Li (Malden), Lisa Sulda (Malden), Juan Soler-Ramos (Everett), Karen Buck (Friends of Malden River). Third row from left to right: Bianca Navarro Bowman (GreenRoots), Josee Genty (Everett Community Growers), Thalia Patino Molano (Everett), Elise Kempf (Arlington). Fourth row: Clara Schneider (Arlington), David Queeley (MyRWA), Aldo Miranda (Chelsea).

target communities, will help lead these efforts. The Ambassadors will distrib-

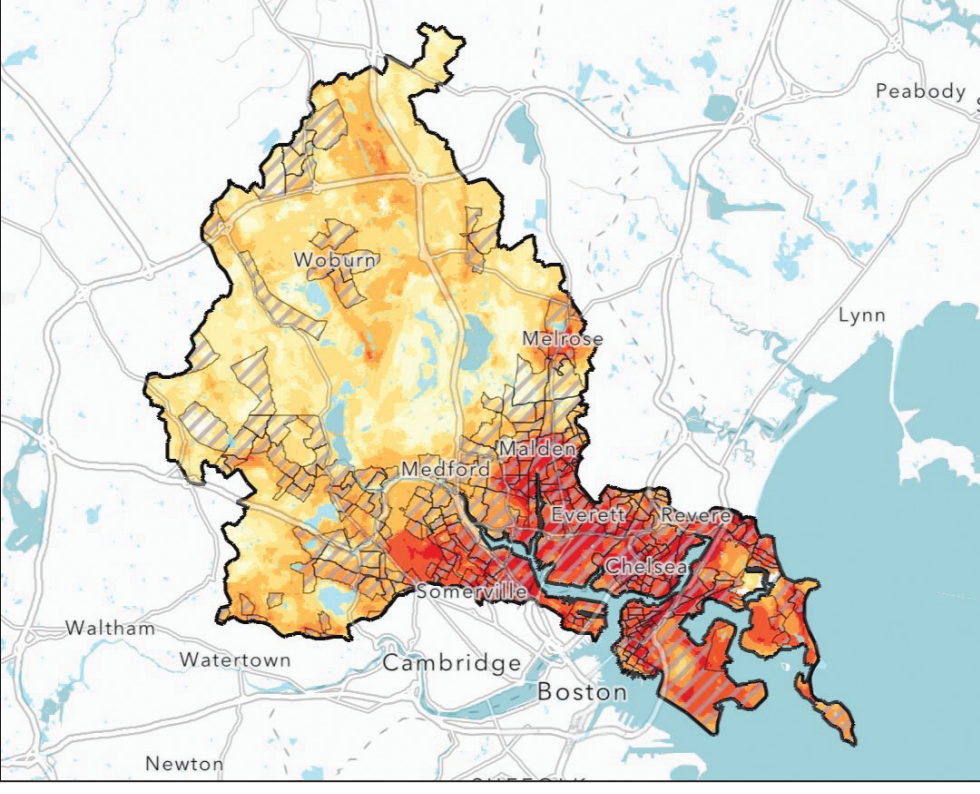
ute surveys, attend various community events, and lead 2 community events about extreme heat and cooling interventions.

“By recruiting, organizing, and training community members to lead cooling efforts, we hope the solutions are exciting to the community and meet their specific needs,” said Marissa Zampino, Community Organizer at the Mystic River Watershed Association. “This highlights the importance of residents leading the fight against climate change as they are the experts in their own communities.”

The project will mobilize hundreds of local residents to workshop cooling solutions such as trees, splash pads, water fountains, misting stations, and more. The project will create pilot projects in Chelsea, Malden, and Everett.

“I am really excited to get to work on this project and lead cooling efforts in my community,” said Juan Soler-Ramos, a Wicked Cool Mystic Ambassador for the city of Everett. “My community is really hot, and I want to educate and engage my friends and neighbors about the importance of this issue.”

For more information, visit <https://mysticriver.org/climate-resilience>.



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Estamos recopilando comentarios del público para asegurarnos de que los pasajeros entiendan estas actualizaciones de políticas y beneficien a las comunidades a las que servimos. Puede enviar comentarios hasta el viernes **14 de abril de 2023**.

Obtenga más información sobre los cambios y las formas de proporcionar comentarios en mbta.com/draftpolicies

Reuniones Públicas

Organizaremos reuniones públicas en marzo para compartir los cambios propuestos con usted, responder sus preguntas y escuchar sus comentarios.

Martes, 21 de marzo de 2023 a las 18:00

Ubicación: State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116 (híbrido a través de Zoom)
Se proporcionarán intérpretes de chino y español para esta reunión.

Miércoles, 22 de marzo de 2023 a las 18:00

Ubicación: QARI, 275 Hancock St, Suite 202, Quincy, MA 02171
Se proporcionará un intérprete de chino para esta reunión.

Martes, 28 de marzo de 2023 a las 18:00

Ubicación: La Colaborativa, 318 Broadway, Chelsea, MA 02150
Se proporcionará un intérprete de español para esta reunión.



Se pueden proporcionar adaptaciones de accesibilidad y servicios lingüísticos adicionales a pedido, según estén disponibles.

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course – but remember, our protest signs and bull-horns are always ready!

“Over the course of the last ten years, I knew I would have a colleague in the fight for environmental justice and a partner committed to the success of GreenRoots, what I didn’t expect was the friendship and sisterhood we would develop. Together with Yari, our triumvirate has been through good times

and bad, through anger and happiness, through sweat and tears, through babies and death, through packing and unpacking, celebrating and protesting – through it all we have been there for and with one another. We have a friendship and partnership that will stand the test of time.”

State Rep. Judith Garcia offered her congratulations to Maria Belen Pow-

er while lauding her work for the people of Chelsea.

“Chelsea has a long history of special leaders, and Maria Belén is one of those jewels. I’ve witnessed her work ethic and passion, and I know that in her new role, she will continue to use her skills to implement environmental justice in Chelsea and in communities across the state,” said Rep. Garcia.



Maria Belen Power, with Chelsea Housing Authority Director of Operations Paul Nowicki, Senior Center Director Tracy Nowicki, and former CPS Executive Director for Administration and Finance Gerry McCue.



Guest of honor Maria Belen Power, with her husband, Reading Town Manager Fidel Maltz, and their daughters, Maya and Ana Victoria.



Chelsea DPW Community Services Administrator Mike Sandoval (right) was among the city officials honoring Maria Belen Power at her farewell celebration.



Maria Belen Power, with (back row) colleagues and friends, Irma Mazzoni, Susana Carella, former School Committee member Julio Hernandez, and Councilor-at-Large Damali Vidot (right).




Chelsea Black Community President Joan Cromwell and CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell arrive at the GreenRoots farewell party for Maria Belen Power.



State Rep. Judith Garcia and Legislative Aide Manuel Teshe congratulate Maria Belen Power on her new position as State Undersecretary of Environmental Justice and Equity.



Former Chelsea City Manager Tom Ambrosino thanked Maria Belen Power for her excellent work on behalf of Chelsea residents during her tenure at GreenRoots.



The Massachusetts Department of Transportation

invites you to attend

Virtual Public Information Meetings

for the

Sumner Tunnel Restoration Project

Tuesday, March 14
virtualmeeting.link/Sumner-Mar-14
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 15
virtualmeeting.link/Sumner-Mar-15
6:00 p.m.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation is hosting two virtual public information meetings to discuss changes to Phase 2 of the Sumner Tunnel Restoration Project. The previous version of Phase 2 included a four-month full closure of the tunnel beginning in May of 2023. Phase 2 will now consist of two separate two-month full closures during the summers of 2023 and 2024.

All residents, abutters, local business owners, and interested commuters are invited to attend. Both meetings will provide the same information. Holding two meetings is an effort by MassDOT to accommodate everyone’s schedules as best possible. Spanish and Arabic interpretation will be available at both meetings.

Prior to the meetings, if you have specific questions or concerns for the project team, please email us at: sumner100@dot.state.ma.us.

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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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Seniors beware of social security-related scams

On National Slam the Scam Day and throughout the year, we give you the tools to recognize Social Security-related scams and stop scammers from stealing your money and personal information. Share scam information with your loved ones. Slam the Scam!

Recognize the four basic signs of a scam:

1. Scammers pretend to be from a familiar organization or agency, like the Social Security Administration. They may email attachments with official-looking logos, seals, signatures, or pictures of employee credentials.
2. Scammers mention a problem or a prize. They may say your Social Security number was involved in a crime or ask for personal information to process a benefit increase.
3. Scammers pressure you to act immediately. They may threaten you with arrest or legal action.
4. Scammers tell you to pay using a gift card, prepaid debit card, cryptocurrency, wire or money transfer, or by mailing cash. They may also tell you to transfer your money to a “safe” account.

Ignore scammers and report criminal behavior. Report Social Security-related scams to the SSA Office of the Inspector General (OIG).

Visit www.ssa.gov/scam for more information and follow SSA OIG on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn to stay up to date on the latest scam tactics. Repost #SlamtheScam information on social media to keep your friends and family safe.

BRUINS Beat

by Bob Morello

Bruins make solid trade deadline moves

As of today, the Bruins have played 62-games of the 82 2022-23 regular season schedule, probably a good time to reflect back and see what has been accomplished to this point. With the recent completion of the NHL Trade Deadline, it’s time to extend kudos to Bruins general manager Don Sweeney, for a job well done. The trades that Sweeney made, and didn’t make, appear to have been spot-on decisions to fill the few needs for this already strong team. The major move that brought both Dimitry Orlov and Garnet Hathaway to the Hub in a trade with the Washington Capitals, and Tyler Bertuzzi here from Detroit, to solidify the current roster in a way that few would’ve imagined could’ve been done. Orlov’s nine points since arriving in Boston has him looking like a perfect fit, and also earned him the NHL’s “1st Star of the Week.”

It wasn’t just Sweeney’s Trade Deadline moves that created this team that sits atop the NHL, but also moves as the ‘had-to-be-done,’ 8-year contract extension for David Pastrnak. Pasta, the team’s points leader earned that contract over the years, and his 84 points (44 goals/40 assists) production thus far this season, is a good indication that he will continue to produce strongly for the remaining eight years.

Consistency has always been a major part of this team; their meetings last Monday with the New York Rangers, resulted in a solid 4-2 win, with four different goals scorers. That win was their 10th consecutive, and for Linus Ullmark, it marked a career high seventh consecutive victory. One of the major strengths for this Bruins team has been the impressive play of their goaltending tandem of Ullmark and Jeremy Swayman. Ullmark’s numbers are 32-4-0-1, Goals Against Average of 1.89 and a Save Percentage of .938, with Swayman standing tall as back-up with a 16-4-0-4 Goals Against Average of 2.27 and a Save Percentage of



.918...it doesn’t get any better than that. Another interesting factoid is the Goal Differential of +105 with 237 Goals For, versus 132 Goals Against, oddly the 105 is almost the same number as the teams’ total points this season (103). The Bruins’ record of 49-8-5 has them at the top of the NHL, with the spacing of followers in the Eastern Conference as, the Carolina Hurricanes trail by 11 points, New Jersey Devils (15 points), and the Toronto Maple Leafs 17 points).

Remembering back to when Jim Montgomery was first interviewed after being named Bruins’ head coach, replacing Bruce Cassidy, one of his first statement was: “I want the defense to be more involved in the offensive attack.” His wish has been granted, as the numbers show, when the Bruins’ defense scores, the team is 23-1-0 in 24 games... check that box off as a ‘yes.’ Comparing last season’s (2021-22) defensive contributions shows numbers of 31 goals and 119 assists for 150 points, this season with 20 games remaining, they have already surpassed that mark with 32 goals and 125 assists for 157 points. The Bruins will play their next two games on TD Garden ice, tonight (Thursday 7:30pm) with the NHL’s best player, Connor McDavid and the Edmonton Oilers, and a Saturday 1:00pm matinee and the Detroit Red Wings. It’s back on the road again for a 5-game road trip, including the second half of their back-to-back with the Red Wings (Sunday 1:30pm), off to face the Chicago Blackhawks (Tuesday 8:30pm), and Thursday 8:00pm to be hosted by the Winnipeg Jets. The two remaining road games will include stops in Minnesota and Buffalo to end the 5-game road trip.

Elaine Myrna Smith

Supported countless charities

Elaine Myrna Smith, 78, from Boca Raton, Fla. and Boston, Mass., made a full sacred circle in peacefully letting go with elegance and grace while surrounded by her family on her birthday at her Boca Raton home on the beach.

Elaine was born to Joseph and Ruth Winiker on February 27, 1945, in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. She was raised in Millis, Mass. and she completed her higher education at Lesley College with a BA degree in education. After college, Elaine met the love of her life, Larry Smith, whom she married on April 18, 1970, in Brookline. Together, they raised three adoring daughters in Florida while she worked as the bookkeeper for their family business.

Throughout her life, Elaine was a caring and thoughtful wife, mother, sister, and auntie who would always make time to truly understand their lives and gently nudge them towards happiness and fulfillment. Throughout her life, philanthropy and charity were paramount to Elaine. She generously supported the Jewish Federation Family Services and countless other charities for years. Elaine also shared her time to drive elderly community members to their engagements while taking in her passengers’ tales of their storied lives.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Smith of 52 years; three loving daughters, Karen Smith, Rebecca Jean Smith and Stephanie Boggs; her son-



in-law Jason Boggs; seven beautiful grandchildren, Morgan, Marina, Kayla, Harley, Skylar, Carter, and Bode; and her sisters, Micki, Rita, Cynthia, and Gigi.

Family and friends shared their memories and love for Elaine at her funeral services that were held Monday at Stanetsky Memorial Chapel in Brookline. Elaine’s burial service followed at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Millis. A celebration of life will also be held in Florida in April with information to follow.

Elaine’s family is so deeply grateful to all the wonderful doctors, nurses, and paramedics at Delray Medical Center, Jackson Memorial Hospital, and Vitas Hospice; and especially her nephew, Dr. Adam Kanter, who guided the family in keeping their beloved Elaine in the best care and comfort as she prepared for her journey. In honor of Elaine, we ask that you forgo flowers and instead make a contribution to the Jewish Federation Family services. Elaine held our hands for a short time, and she will be held in our hearts forever.

Elba Contreras

Active at St. Rose Parish Community

Elba Contreras passed into the arms of her beloved savior on Tuesday, March, 7. She was 87 years old.

Born and raised in Sensuntepeque, El Salvador, she was one of four children of Francisco Abrego and Maria Ernestina Contreras. She received her formal education in El Salvador and worked as an elementary school teacher in El Salvador.

She was married to Jose Roberto Flores and raised a family of three daughters and two sons.

Elba came with her family and together they resided in Chelsea for the past 33 years. In her new home, Elba was very devoted to raising her family, welcoming eighteen grandchildren, caring for each of them through the years. She was a very active member and communicant of the St. Rose Parish Community, teaching religious education on Sundays, leading many prayer groups and other religious devotions for the community.

In addition to her parents, Elba was also predeceased by her beloved husband, Jose Roberto Flores, and her brother, Isaac Contreras. She was the loving mother of Noemy E. Contreras, Marli Flores Contreras, Jose R. Flores Contreras, Alfonso Flores



Contreras, and Yesenia Flores Contreras; dear sister of Matilde Contreras, and Elny Contreras; the cherished grandmother of eighteen and the adoring great-grandmother of seven. She is also survived by extended family members and her many friends of St. Rose Parish.

Visiting hours will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday, March 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday, March 10 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Rose Church, 600 Broadway, Chelsea at 10 a.m.

Services will conclude with interment at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Welsh Funeral Home.

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

Guy Lento

Legendary make-up artist



Guy Lento was the renowned director of make-up education for Coco Chanel in New York City and a legendary make-up artist for over 30 years. He lived courageously with several ongoing illnesses through the years. He passed away on Wednesday March, 1st at the age of 76.

Guy was born and raised in Chelsea, he was the only son and youngest of six children of Gaetano and Sarah (Pietropaolo) Lento. He attended local schools and was a graduate of Chelsea High School.

As a young man, he held various jobs to help support his family. He worked briefly as a lab tech for the Mass. General Hospital and Children’s Hospital in Boston.

He began his career in cosmetics working for Lancôme and then later working for Coco Chanel where he became the National Director of Make-up Education and was a much sought after make-up artist.

Working on the faces of supermodels like Claudia Schiffer, Christy Turlington, and Naomi Campbell is serious business. Training under the world’s top designers, including fashion icon Karl Lagerfeld in Paris, taught Lento that “being good isn’t good enough.” Guy also volunteered his time and talent, donating his services to women undergoing cancer treatments. After working with Chanel for more than 30 years Guy retired in 2009.

He returned to the area to be close to his family and was residing in Salem for the last 14 years. He

enjoyed his leisure time traveling, vacationing in Italy and other destinations.

In addition to his parents, Guy was also predeceased by his life companion, Larry Kesler and his sisters: Connie Speranza, Rose Torelli, Angie Mazzarelli and Mary McCarthy. Guy is now survived by his devoted sister, Joann Lento of Salem and by his 12 nieces, nephews and numerous grandnieces and grandnephews.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend a memorial mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere today, Thursday, March 9 at 11 a.m. immediately followed by inurnment in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Should friends desire, contributions in Guy’s name may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-1905. WWW.StJude.org/Donate. Or Northeast Animal Shelter, 347 Highland Ave, Salem, MA 1970 www.DonateNortheastAnimalShelter

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February State revenue collections total almost \$2B

Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Commissioner Geoffrey Snyder today announced that preliminary revenue collections for February totaled \$1.979 billion, \$163 million or 9.0% more than actual collections in February 2022, and \$49 million or 2.5% above benchmark. February 2022 revenue collections were impacted by the elective pass-through entity (PTE) excise. After adjusting for PTE excise, February 2023 collections are \$171 million or 9.5% above actual collections in February 2022, and \$1 million or 0.05% less than benchmark.

FY2023 year-to-date collections totaled approximately \$23.651 billion, which is \$37 million or 0.2% less than collections in the same period of

FY2022, but \$999 million or 4.4% above the year-to-date benchmark. After adjusting for PTE excise, FY2023 year-to-date collections are \$1.058 billion or 4.7% more than collections in the same period of FY2022 and \$572 million or 2.5% more than the year-to-date benchmark.

“February collections increased in withholding, sales and use tax, and ‘all other tax’ in comparison to February 2022,” Commissioner Snyder said. “These increases were partially offset by decreases in non-withholding income tax. The increase in withholding is likely related to labor market conditions and the increase in sales and use tax reflects, in part, continued strength in retail sales. The increase in ‘all other tax’ is primarily attributable to estate tax, a tax category that tends to fluctuate.”

February has historically been the lowest month for revenue, contributing less than 6% of annual collections. Neither individual nor business taxpayers are required to make estimated payments during the month. February is also the month in which refunds reach substantial levels as the tax filing season begins.

Details:

- Income tax collections for February totaled \$972 million, \$47 million or 4.6% below benchmark, but \$55 million or 6.0% more than February 2022.
- Withholding tax collections for February totaled \$1.309 billion, roughly equal to the benchmark, and \$81 million or 6.6% more than February 2022.
- Income tax estimated payments for February totaled \$26 million, \$3 million or 14.0% more than benchmark, but \$14 million or 35.0% less than February 2022.
- Income tax cash refunds for February totaled \$433 million in outflows, \$60 million or 16.2% above benchmark, \$28 million or 6.9% more than February 2022.
- Sales and use tax collections for February totaled \$674 million, \$71 million or 11.7% above benchmark, and \$70 million or 11.6% more than February 2022.
- Meals tax, a sub-set of sales and use tax, collections for February totaled \$99 million, \$24 million or 31.9% above benchmark, and \$22 million or 29.0% more than February 2022.
- Corporate and business tax collections for February totaled \$48 million, \$16 million or 48.1% above benchmark, \$2 million or 4.1% more than February 2022.
- “All other tax” collections for February totaled \$284 million, \$10 million or 3.5% above benchmark, and \$36 million or 14.6% more than February 2022.

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Retired Boston legends, Brady, Ortiz, Garnett, and Rask have unclaimed property

Massachusetts State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg has announced the latest grouping of names added to the state’s list of unclaimed property owners, and fortunately for you this is one shot that Tuukka Rask can’t stop.

Over 50,000 new properties worth millions of dollars belong to individuals and businesses throughout the Commonwealth including Tom Brady, David Ortiz, Kevin Garnett, and Tuuuuuuukka Rask.

This is no Hail Mary pass; it is more of a slam dunk when you visit find-massmoney.com. One in ten Massachusetts residents are owed money. And unlike athletes that retire, your unclaimed property is always on the roster.

“As Tom Brady likes to say, let’s go!” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “And to quote Kevin Garnett after winning the 2008 NBA Championship, anything is possible…… especially when you visit find-massmoney.com.”

Unclaimed property includes forgotten savings and checking accounts, un-cashed checks, insurance policy proceeds, stocks, dividends, and the contents of unattended safe deposit boxes. These accounts have had too much hang time and are turned over to the state after three years of inactivity. This newly released list includes only individuals and businesses with unclaimed property over \$100.

All new individuals and businesses added to the unclaimed property list will be published in the Boston Globe on March 5th and will be in the Boston Herald on March 12th. In addition, the names will be published in over 30 regional and local papers.

So, if you are looking to hit “one out of the pakhk”, remember that Treasury releases an updated list of unclaimed property assets every six months as the new accounts are turned over to the Commonwealth. Last year, Treasury processed over 151,000 claims of over \$176 million in property to its rightful owners.

This newly released list includes only individuals and businesses with unclaimed property over \$100. Treasurer Goldberg urges all citizens to check the comprehensive list for all amounts at www.find-massmoney.com or call our live call center at 888-344-MASS (6277).

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The Accounting Manager supervises two Accounts Payable/Receivable clerks and assists in the oversight and operation of the data processing functions of the agency. The Accounting Manager reports to Deputy Director and creates monthly reports for the CHA. The Accounting Manager monitors budgets to ensure expenditures fall within budget guidelines.

Responsibilities

1. Works closely with Fee Accountant to produce financial statement and assist in budget preparation.
2. Prepares monthly expense statements.
3. Reviews CHA programs and significant financial outlays.
4. Oversees cash management, consisting of the Authority’s cash flow and investment activities.
5. Reviews and oversees all accounts receivable and payable, including Leased Housing owner payments.
6. Monitors and reports on the Section 8 Mobility Program.
7. Maintains personnel records, computes employee benefits.
8. Prepares written evaluations of financial staff.
9. Monitors operation of data processing functions, maintains liaison with data processing support.
10. Performs daily functions of financial department including accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll and leased housing payables and receivables.
11. Performs other related duties as required.

Skills: Excellent hands-on financial and organizational skills. Thorough knowledge of accepted accounting principles (Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable and Payroll). Supervisory and management skills, ability to delegate responsibility and monitor tasks. Computer proficiency. Must exercise good judgement in maintaining the confidentiality and integrity of CHA’s financial information. Good organizational and office skills.

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FAMILY FEATURES

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Thousands of years before the Irish discovered potatoes, dairy cows, milk and butter were being woven into the fabric of Irish society, according to the Cork Butter Museum in Cork City, Ireland. The Cork Butter Exchange, a market created by the merchants of Cork City in 1769, was in its time, the largest butter market in the world, exporting as far away as Europe and America.

Today, dairy products continue to play an important role in Irish cooking. Cooperatives of farmers, creameries and cheesemakers provide delicious Irish butter and cheeses throughout the U.S. under the Kerrygold label.

Here are some iconic recipes from some stars of Irish cooking, using Kerrygold cheeses and butter. To learn more about Kerrygold, and for where-to-buy information, visit www.kerrygold.com/usa.

Roasted Root Vegetable Soup

Serves 4 to 6

“You can substitute pumpkin, turnip or celeriac for the swede (rutabaga), or just use a mixture — this is a very flexible recipe.”

— Neven Maguire, chef/owner of the renowned MacNean House and Restaurant in Blacklion, County Cavan, Ireland; popular TV cooking star and cookbook author

- 1 small swede (rutabaga) cut into cubes
- 2 carrots, cut into cubes
- 1 parsnip, cut into cubes
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 tablespoons (1/4 cup) Kerrygold Irish Butter
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 celery stalks, finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme
- 1 quart (4 cups) vegetable stock
- 1/2 cup single cream (or substitute half and half)
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 400°F. Place swede, carrots and parsnip on baking sheet and drizzle with 2 tablespoons olive oil. Season generously and roast for 25 to 30 minutes until golden brown and tender, shaking baking sheet occasionally to ensure even cooking.

Meanwhile, heat remaining tablespoon olive oil and butter in large heavy-based pot, and add onion, celery, garlic and thyme. Cook for 4 to 5 minutes until softened but not browned, stirring occasionally.

Add roasted root vegetables to pan and then pour in stock. Bring gently to boil, then reduce heat, cover and simmer for 25 to 30 minutes until completely tender, stirring occasionally. Purée with a hand blender until completely smooth.

To serve, stir cream into soup. Gently heat through and season to taste, then ladle into warmed bowls.

Note: You don’t have to add the cream if you’re watching the calories, but you might need a little extra stock to thin the soup.

Cheese Toasties

Serves 4 to 6

- 4 tablespoons (1/4 cup) Kerrygold Irish Butter
- 8 slices firm, country-style white bread
- 1 package (7 ounces) Kerrygold Dubliner Cheese, grated
- 1 tablespoon snipped fresh chives
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Butter bread and arrange cheese over half of the slices, buttered side down. Sprinkle with chives and cover with remaining slices, buttered side up.

Preheat a griddle or large non-stick frying pan and cook sandwiches two at a time 2 minutes each side until golden brown and cheese has melted. Keep hot.

To serve, cut the cheese toasts into fingers.



Brown Soda Bread, Roasted Root Vegetable Soup and Cheese Toasties



Rhubarb Crumble



Dubliner Shepherd’s Pie

Brown Soda Bread

Makes 2 loaves

“This is an all-purpose and relatively fool-proof recipe based on several I collected while researching ‘The Country Cooking of Ireland.’”

— author Colman Andrews, whose Irish cookbook won the 2010 James Beard Foundation award for Best International Cookbook and Cookbook of the Year

- 3 1/2 cups stone-ground whole wheat flour, preferably Irish or Irish-style
- 1 1/2 cups unbleached white flour, preferably Irish, or pastry flour, plus more for dusting
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon softened Kerrygold Irish Butter, plus more for greasing
- 1 3/4 to 2 cups room-temperature buttermilk

Preheat oven to 375°F. Mix wheat flour, white flour, baking soda and salt together in a medium bowl. Work butter into mixture with your fingers.

Form a well in the middle of flour mixture and pour buttermilk into the well. Form your hand into a rigid claw and stir dough slowly but steadily in a spiral motion, starting in the middle and working outwards. Dough should be soft but not too wet or sticky. (Start with 1 3/4 cups buttermilk, gradually adding, if necessary, to achieve the right consistency.)

Turn dough out onto a floured board. Flour your hands lightly, then shape dough into a flat rectangle about 2 inches high. Cut dough in half length-wise with a wet knife, then gently push each half into a lightly greased glass or foil loaf pan. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes, or until the tops of the loaves are nicely browned.

Serve this bread with plenty of Kerrygold Irish Butter.

Rhubarb Crumble

Serves 6

“Crumbles are the ultimate comfort food. Vary the fruit according to the season.”

— Darina Allen, founder of the world-famous Ballymaloe Cookery School in Shanagarry, County Cork, Ireland

Filling:

- 1 1/2 pounds rhubarb, cut in 1/2-inch slices
- 1/2 cup sugar

Crumble:

- 4 tablespoons (1/4 cup) Kerrygold Irish Butter
- 4 ounces (scant 1 cup) white flour, preferably unbleached
- 1/4 cup superfine sugar

Preheat oven to 350°F. In bowl, mix filling ingredients; turn into a 1-quart (4 cups) capacity pie dish.

Rub butter into flour just until mixture resembles coarse breadcrumbs, then stir in sugar.

Sprinkle this mixture over rhubarb in the pie dish. Bake for 30 to 45 minutes until topping is cooked and golden. Serve with whipped cream and soft brown sugar, or try stirring a little Amaretto into your cream.

Recipe adapted from the “Ballymaloe Cookery Course Book” published by Kyle Cathie.

Dubliner Shepherd’s Pie

Makes 4 to 6 servings

“Our family loves a hearty shepherd’s pie after a long day working on the farm. Because our cows produce milk to make Kerrygold Dubliner Cheese, we like to add some shredded Dubliner to the potato crust.”

— Donal Murphy, Kerrygold dairy farmer, Bandon, County Cork, Ireland

Potato Topping:

- 1 1/4 pounds russet potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 2 tablespoons Kerrygold Irish Butter
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1 cup shredded Kerrygold Dubliner Cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Filling:

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 2 tablespoons Kerrygold Irish Butter
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 4 small carrots, peeled and sliced 1/4-inch thick
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 3/4 cup Guinness Stout
- 3/4 cup beef stock
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup frozen peas, thawed

Preheat oven to 375°F and lightly butter an 11- x 7-inch baking dish. Cook potatoes in boiling water for 15 minutes or until very tender; drain well. Mash with butter and milk until smooth, then stir in cheese and salt and set aside.

Crumble beef into a medium skillet and cook until no longer pink; remove from skillet and set aside. In same skillet, melt butter. Add onion and carrots; cook for 10 minutes over medium heat to soften, stirring occasionally. Stir in flour and cook for 1 minute more.

Add Guinness, stock, thyme and salt; cook and stir until mixture is slightly thickened then stir in peas and cooked beef. Spoon into prepared baking dish then spread potato mixture over the top. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until top is lightly browned.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COUNCIL, TRAFFIC COMMISSION TO MEET

EVERETT - The Everett City Council is requesting a meeting with the Traffic Commission after discussing a motion by Council President Michael Marchese about the pros and cons of changing the city’s residential parking program from five to seven days a week.

During Monday’s Legislative Affairs Subcommittee meeting, Marchese opened the discussion by stating there have been “issues related to the overbuilding in the City of Everett and the lack of parking spaces.”

Marchese specifically mentioned the new 600 Apartments building located at 600 Broadway.

“I read something the other day regarding the 600 [Apartments], that they’re offering off-street parking, and I thought there was supposed to be a shutoff on that address,” said Marchese. “If we’re going to go forth like that, we have to strengthen the residential parking program. We’re going to have to find a way to get the cars off the street, because people are going to come here and park and visit people, and it’s going to be tough for the fulltime residents [to find parking spaces].”

Marchese also offered a proposal about building designated parking lots for residents before asking Clerk of Committees John Burley whom the Council should invite to a meeting. Burley suggested Everett Police Sgt. Joe Gaff and city official Chad Luongo for a conference.

Ward 3 Councillor Darren Costa said he would certainly welcome a meeting with the Traffic Commission. “There’s a piece [on the agenda] for the next Traffic Commission meeting that I do want to speak about,” said Costa, adding that any change in parking regulations would involve all the traffic signs

and would take a comprehensive, citywide plan with different time limits for parking.

“The fact that we’re adding a city within a city in [residential] units means we need a comprehensive plan,” said Costa. “And do we have the people on staff to enforce the rules that we are applying when we are developing these extra units?”

Councilor-at-Large John Hanlon said he’s fortunate to have a driveway for one vehicle, “but after 11 o’clock there is no parking anywhere on Main Street.”

Councilor-at-Large Stephanie Smith suggested researching the parking programs in surrounding communities and then formulating a plan of action.

“We have to do it right,” said Smith. “It’s time to re-look at [parking regulations] – Everett’s changing. We have to reassess Everett as a city in totality. We’re going to have hire more enforcement to get this done, and I think we have to think about the cost impacts of this.”

Burley said the City Council can make recommendations about a new parking program, but “it’s the Traffic Commission that’s fully empowered to do this. We can recommend, but we do not have the authority to do some of the things that we’re mentioned in here tonight.”

The Council voted to schedule a meeting with the Traffic Commission after conducting its own research on residential parking programs and determining what plan would work most beneficially for the City of Everett and its residents.

MADARO REAPPOINTED TO COMMITTEE

EAST BOSTON - House Speaker Ronald Mariano re-appointed Rep. Adrian Madaro as Chair of the Joint Com-

mittee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

This will be Rep. Madaro’s second time serving in this role. Rep. Madaro was first appointed to lead this committee in 2021 at the beginning of the last legislative session.

The Joint Committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery considers all matters concerning behavioral health, mental health, and substance use disorder, including prevention and early intervention, treatment, and recovery services.

“I’m excited for the opportunity to continue working on these critical issues that affect people’s lives and wellbeing,” said Madaro. “Mental health and behavioral health are just as important as physical health, and there’s still more work to do to provide everyone in Massachusetts access to affordable, compassionate and quality on-demand care.”

Last session, Representative Madaro helmed the House’s efforts to pass a comprehensive mental health bill in Massachusetts. The Mental Health ABC Act: Addressing Barriers to Care (ABC) produced the largest reforms to mental health care in decades. It was signed into law by former Governor Charlie Baker last August.

The comprehensive legislation continues the process of improving the way mental health care is delivered in the state. This legislation enforces existing mental health parity laws, addresses the emergency department boarding crisis, strengthens school-based mental health programs, and invests in the behavioral health workforce.

“I am incredibly proud of the work we did on the Mental Health ABC bill last session, and the effect it will have on reducing barriers to resources, support, and treatment residents need for their



Kathleen Brennan, Karen Knapp, Denise Rampelberg, Barbara Stoddard, Mary Vigliotta, and Sandi Lozier shown during the pizza lunch offered following the "80 for Brady" showing for members of the Rossetti-Cowan Sernior Center.

overall wellbeing,” said Rep. Madaro. “I look forward to continuing to build upon the work we did last session to ensure that we are addressing the most urgent needs of people and communities facing mental and behavioral health challenges across the Commonwealth”.

ARRIGO NOT TO RUN FOR REELECTION

REVERE - In an announcement that stunned the political community and became the instant frontrunner for “story of the year” in this city, Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo announced last week that he will not be a candidate for re-election in 2023.

With his numerous accomplishments in office and exceptional leadership during the pandemic, Arrigo loomed as a virtual shoo-in for re-election. Some observers had suggested that his impressive record as mayor had set a strong foundation to a run for statewide office last fall.

A two-term city councillor at the time, Arrigo

boldly threw his hat into the mayor’s race in 2015, and the then 35-year-old official defeated incumbent Mayor Dan Rizzo by 108 votes following a recount. Arrigo held off the strong challenge of Rizzo in 2019 to get re-elected as mayor.

Arrigo talked about his decision to not seek re-election during an interview Tuesday.

“It was a very bitter-sweet decision to make, but ultimately I want to make sure what I’m doing is best for my family and me,” said Arrigo. “I think the best thing at this point is to start to think about the next chapter in my life and in my journey. It was a difficult decision to make, but one I’ve been contemplating for months, and I’ve talked to my family and very close friends. As the election season begins, I thought it would be appropriate and the right thing to do to announce that I wouldn’t be seeking re-election.”

Arrigo said he will remain in office through the end of his current term.

“I do plan on staying here. I don’t have any jobs lined up, or anything like

that,” said Arrigo. “I want to make sure that we have a very smooth transition, and the voters will have a decision to make this fall about whom will continue to lead the city.”

Arrigo said when he first took office as mayor in January, 2016, he wanted “to make sure that I handed off the city in better shape what I received.”

“I wanted to make sure that the City of Revere was set up for success for generations, and I think we accomplished that,” said Arrigo.

Arrigo said he takes great pride in hearing younger residents say how proud they are to be from Revere.

“There are lot of reasons for that. The progress we’ve made as a city has really proven to people that they deserve better, – and they can be proud to say they’re from Revere and they can back it up.”

Arrigo deflected his incredible day-to-day leadership during the pandemic, calling it “our work.”

“There’s no way I can take all the credit for that work,” said Arrigo.

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“There were incredibly hard-working people who went above and beyond on behalf of the residents. I certainly didn’t know how to lead a city through a pandemic. There was no playbook. We got through it because of our emergency response team, our public safety people, our city employees who stepped up during the worst time we could imagine. Just the idea we were viewed throughout that dark time in our history as a city that was being innovative and doing things like contract tracing - we were the first community that started contract tracing and try to figure out where the virus was being contracted. I’m immensely proud of all the work that we did together.”

Arrigo is credited with developing a positive vision of growth for the city and making Revere a welcoming community for all. “We saw the opportunity for our city to thrive and grow and make things happen. We wanted to create a culture of the city that was welcoming to everyone, despite their backgrounds or the language they spoke. Our city has always been open-door for everyone. The generations of immigrants and their stories of laying roots in our city and raising their families – we wanted to continue on that. That’s who we are as a community, and I take pride in the growth and development that’s we’ve seen in the city, on Revere Beach, in early like Shirley Avenue.

“We’re going to continue to welcome people to the community that we love so much. We’re going to drive businesses to plant roots in our city. We’re going to continue to make sure people discover our city for what it truly is – which is a beautiful, coastal community that has some of the most wonderful people and impressive landscapes that you really can’t find anywhere.”

Arrigo said the city has changed a lot since his days as a child growing up and attending schools here.

“I’m incredibly proud of the changes that have been made to our city, the growth that we’ve seen, and what that means for the future generations of our city,” said Arrigo.

City officials, state

legislators, and members of the Mayor’s Cabinet praised Mayor Brian Arrigo for his outstanding record of public service during his two terms in office.

Following are their comments:

Rep. Jessica Giannino

Since we were elected together (as city councillors-at-large) in 2012, Mayor Arrigo and I have worked together on many issues. I am thankful for his service to the City of Revere, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

Rep. Jeff Turco

Congratulations to Mayor Arrigo on his decision not to seek re-election this Fall. I thank him for his partnership during our time working together for the people of Revere. He has left a lasting imprint on the Commonwealth’s fastest growing community. I wish him and his family all my best as he decides a new career direction.

Sen. Lydia Edwards

I want to thank Mayor Arrigo for his years of service. He undoubtedly will serve out his term with grace and distinction.

Chief of Health and Human Services Lauren Buck

When you work with Mayor Arrigo day in and day out, you get to see how much he cares for the people who live and work in Revere. It’s not just a job for him, it’s a passion. It has been such an honor to work for him and his absence from City Hall will be acutely felt.

City Council President Patrick Keefe

Mayor Arrigo has done a terrific job as a public servant. Serving two terms in the corner office, with a global pandemic sprinkled in, can takes its toll on any elected official, never mind one with a young, growing family, and someone who gets his hand in the mix daily.

I’m certain Mayor Arrigo thought long and hard about his work and his accomplishments, and I’m sure it was not an easy choice, but I’m certain he is leaving the city in great shape for the next leader to step up and keep Revere moving forward.

I am grateful for his leadership and looking forward to him finishing his job as strongly as it began.”

Councillor-at-Large Gerry Visconti

Mayor Arrigo has been a catalyst for the growth in our city and it has been a pleasure to work with him over the years, whether it was during my time on the school committee or at the city council level. His dedication to the City of Revere is unquestionable and so is the impact he has made to our community as mayor. I wish him, his wife and his wonderful family all the best in their next endeavor.

Ward 5 Councillor John Powers

Mayor Arrigo has done so many positive things for the City of Revere. We have had a lot of growth in the City, and growth means revenues coming into the City. I supported Mayor Arrigo when he first ran for office, and he’s done an excellent job. Getting a new DPW facility, a new Point of Pines fire station – there have been major improvements citywide. Mayor Arrigo, in coordination with Donnie Ciaramella, has led the way for repaving streets and making improvements in our water works, particularly in the Ward 5 area which had been plagued by drainage problems for years. The Mayor was always there for Ward 5 residents and always willing to help. The City is losing a young, talented mayor, who has always put Revere first.

Councillor-at-Large Steven Morabito

Mayor Arrigo and I have had a good working relationship over the years, while we served on the Council together, and during his tenure as Mayor.

The Mayor and his administration have improved our city brand. Good branding make cities desirable, just as bad branding can assist in making a city undesirable.

I am appreciative to have worked with the Mayor and his team to help make progress in our city over the years.

I send my best wishes to Mayor Arrigo and family in their future endeavors.

Thank you for your public service to our community, and its people.

PAT MCGEE DEAD AT 94

WINTHROP - The Winthrop sports commu-

nity is remembering Patricia “Pat” McGee as a brilliant track coach and intense competitor who motivated her athletes to achieve success in her program, in academics, and in their lifelong pursuits.

Mrs. McGee, who coached the Winthrop High boys cross country and track teams to several championships, died on Friday, Feb. 24, 2023. She was 94 years old.

Mrs. McGee was the mother of four children, Dr. Paul McGee, Trisha McGee Diaz, Kevin McGee, and John McGee. She was the wife of the late Arthur J. McGee.

Kevin was a standout defenseman on the 1976 WHS hockey team that won the Division 1 state championship. Trish was an outstanding track athlete and like her brother, is an inductee in the WHS Athletic Hall of Fame.

In recognition of her achievements as a coach, Mrs. McGee was inducted into the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Hall of Fame in 2002. The track at Miller Field is dedicated in her honor. She was an outstanding athlete herself throughout her life, often winning gold medals at the Senior Olympics held in Rhode Island.

“A dedicated member of the WPS family”

Supt. of Schools Lisa Howard said, “Coach Pat McGee will be remembered as a dedicated member of the Winthrop Public Schools family. Pat impacted hundreds of students in the classroom as a dedicated substitute and on the track as Coach for 36 years. During her coaching career, Pat led our students to 16 NEC championships and coached multiple student athletes to obtain titles such as All-American, New England Champion and State Champion. Coach McGee is a Winthrop High School Hall of Famer as well as a Massachusetts State Track Hall of Famer. Coach McGee had high expectations of her student athletes both on the track and in the classroom, but her coaching did not end there. Coach McGee spent endless amounts of time with her athletes off the track, providing them with guidance and encouragement to be successful in life by just being a good human.

Pat will be missed, however her legacy will be with us forever.”

Former athletes praise their beloved coach and mentor

John MacPhail and his brother, Warren MacPhail, have fond memories of their seasons in the Winthrop High athletic program.

“Coach McGee is a once-in-a-lifetime person that changed so many lives,” said John. “She noticed something in me when I was young child and took me under her wing. It was an incredible opportunity to not only grow but enjoy four of the best years of my life in high school. She brought me into the family, and it was more than just success, it was an opportunity to become something special.”

Warren MacPhail competed in cross country for three seasons in Pat McGee’s program in addition to playing varsity basketball and baseball. He went on to serve as an assistant coach on Mrs. McGee’s staff before becoming the girls track and cross country head coach. He is now a head coach at Fisher College.

“I’ve met a lot of really great mentors, but I really think what I do as a coach everyday stems from her,” said Warren. “Coach McGee and Coach [Peter] Grimes were it. They were my biggest mentors as a coach.”

Warren said Pat McGee’s competitiveness was unmatched. “No one could ever question her will to win. I don’t think I’ve ever met anyone as competitive as she was. There are so many memories that stand out for me, but one big memory was that we had to win a meet against Beverly in order to face Gloucester for the Northeastern Conference championship.

“The meet came down to the mile relay. And the coach of the Beverly team was not showing good sportsmanship, and it really ticked her off. We ended up winning that meet and beating Gloucester and finishing the season undefeated. After the meet Mrs. McGee went up to the Beverly coach and instead of shaking his hand, she pointed at him and said, ‘I’m so glad I beat you.’”

Warren said she was

so loyal and supportive of her athletes. “The love she had for her boys, she would do anything for them. I always liked that. I feel I took that with me in my coaching now. I will do anything for my athletes, and I get that from Mrs. McGee. She was a special coach and a special person, and her impact in track and field can never be touched.”

“Those seasons are so special to me”

WHS girls hockey head coach Butch Martucci was a shotputter and discus thrower for two NEC championship track teams coached by Mrs. McGee.

“Coach McGee was 100 percent fantastic,” said Martucci. “I loved every minute that I competed in her program.”

Martucci remembers finishing second in the discus at the NEC Freshman-Sophomore Meet. “She selected me to go to the meet, and I was really proud of that,” related Martucci. “I had the best day of my career.”

Martucci said Mrs. McGee was the first female coach in his athletic career. “She was a great woman. It was different because I never had a woman coach up to that point, but being on her team was just great. She was a terrific teacher. I really enjoyed my three seasons in her program. A lot of my compassion comes from Mrs. McGee. She had a lot of compassion for her athletes. She always treated us well. If we weren’t hitting our marks in our events, she would give you a boost and little pointer on how to improve on your next throw.”

Martucci said he still has his WHS varsity track jackets, “because those seasons with Mrs. McGee are so special to me.”

(The Sun-Transcript had the opportunity to talk with former WHS track star Ken Sirianni, whose clutch victory as the anchor of the mile relay alongside teammates Buster Van Buskirk, Robert Jarvis, and Scott Lerner, helped Winthrop High complete an undefeated season and capture the 1984 NEC championship, the first league title in 29 years. Sirianni’s remembrances of that unforgettable season and his years in Coach Pat McGee’s program will appear in next week’s edition).

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Nacho World Tour

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Often, a food adventure begins when leftovers become second acts. Our non-traditional nacho world tour started with a container of roasted root vegetables, leftover braised beef, and some black beans.

Penny spread tortilla chips on a sheet pan; added pieces of roasted carrot, onion, potato, rutabaga, and squash; sprinkled a layer of grated cheese; dotted it with black beans; and topped that with shredded braised beef. After a few minutes under a hot broiler, she added cherry tomatoes and scallions. She served it with sour cream and lime wedges on the side.

Recipe Development Research

The following day, we began tossing ideas around for recipes. We discussed everything from Chinese nachos with char siu (bbq pork) and hoisin sauce to Polish nachos with kielbasa and horseradish.

Now in research mode, we borrowed a copy of Dan Whalen’s “Nachos for Dinner” from the library. We soon learned to enjoy his system for taking foods you love and turning those flavors into nachos. Whalen starts with a chapter on building blocks. You’ll find recipes for nacho-friendly sauces, salsas, guacamoles, beans, vegetables, and proteins.

For most of these, he adds a few ways to use that ingredient in nachos.

He follows with chapters for turning popular soups, salads, appetizers, sandwiches, tacos, comfort foods, brunch, and snack items into trays of nachos. We’ve bookmarked his recipes for Chicken Larb, Banh Mi, Chicken Parm, and Italian Sub Nachos. Whalen even invented an array of desert nachos. We can’t wait to try the S’mores, Apple Pie, and Strawberry Shortcake nacho recipes.

Your Nachos

From what we learned, the dish was named for Ignacio Anaya, the inventor, whose nickname was “Nacho.”



Our non-traditional nacho world tour started with a container of roasted root vegetables, braised beef, and some black beans.

The snack he created for a favorite customer in 1940 was fried tortilla triangles with shredded Colby cheese, heated and topped with pickled jalapeños. He was working with what he had—something crispy, cheesy, and spicy. We honor his creativity by using his formula with any ingredients that fit the role.

You can replace tortilla chips with any base layer that will work with your theme and be easy to pick up. We like toasted naan for Indian nachos. Whalen uses pie crust triangles for his Apple Pie nachos.

Nacho Tips

We suggest follow-

ing the best tip we took from “Nachos for Dinner.” Whalen wrote, “...sometimes it is better to reserve the toppings on the side for dipping. This keeps the chips crispy and the nachos themselves less messy, and it lets the eaters decide how much salsa, sour cream, or other cold topping they want.”

Enjoy the fact that Nachos are casual food. Go ahead and serve them right on the baking sheet. This can be a perfect time to use smaller ¼ or ⅛ size sheet pans for individual servings. And line your pan with parchment paper or foil for fast cleanup.

Another favorite tip from the book was,

“Spread them out so that every chip has at least 50 percent of its surface area exposed to the pan’s surface.”

Finally, many of us first tasted Nachos in a favorite pub. These were likely to be a big pile of “loaded nachos” that became soggy long before the plate was empty. Try for a more straightforward array of ingredients with cold toppings on the side. You may find that you prefer your clean and crispy homemade nachos better than the pile from the pub.

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