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In celebration of its new store now open in Chelsea, Mass. at 1100 Revere Beach Parkway, Burlington Stores donated \$5,000 to Berkowitz Elementary School during its ribbon cutting ceremony.

Berkowitz Elementary School receives \$5,000 donation from new Burlington Store

Special to the Record

Burlington Stores, a national discount retailer offering low prices every day on brand name merchandise for the entire family and home, has donated \$5,000 through its partnership with the national non-profit organization, AdoptAClassroom.org, in celebration

of its new store now open in Chelsea, Mass. at 1100 Revere Beach Parkway. Funds will be used towards school supplies to help ensure students at Berkowitz Elementary School have the learning materials and tools they need to succeed now and in the future.

A representative from AdoptAClassroom.org reached out to district and

school administrators and helped to secure the donation for the Berkowitz School which will support classrooms with new supplies.

"I would like to welcome our new local Burlington store to Chelsea and thank them for their generous donation through their partnership with AdoptAClassroom.org to

our school," said Berkowitz Principal Blanca Restrepo. "Our teachers are so excited to purchase the tools they need for their students this year. We are thankful for the support we received from Burlington and AdoptAClassroom.org."

As part of Burlington's

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Grants to support variety of Chelsea initiatives

By Adam Swift

There's been good news on the grant front in Chelsea over the past several weeks, with money coming into the city that will help with transportation, affordable housing, and social services programs.

"We just secured a

\$1.6-million Community Development Block Grant for a two-year term that is going to encompass a series of streetscape improvements, including streetscape measures in Addison Street in the Addison-Orange neighborhood and Clinton Street in order to connect Broad-

way to the new waterfront park at 88 Clinton Street," said Alex Train, the Director of Housing and Community Development.

The city also recently secured a \$350,000 grant through the Land and Water Conservation Fund of the National Parks Service for the Clinton Street park

itself.

The Clinton Street park will provide both passive and active recreation opportunities for residents and provide waterfront access to Mill Creek.

Train said design work is continuing on the park,

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Monge installed as Kiwanis Club president

Special to the Record

On October 23, the Chelsea Kiwanis Club installed its new officers, including its new president, Elaine Monge.

Elaine Monge has been with Chelsea Kiwanis for

the past 12 years and has held many positions within the club. As of October 1, 2023, she has once again been elected to the role of "Club President".

Outside of Kiwanis, Elaine currently is the Assistant Vice President of

Loan Servicing at Metro Credit Union at Metro's Headquarters in Chelsea. She has held that position for the last year and a half. Elaine is not new to Metro though, having worked for them previously from 2003 to 2015. Prior to her

second stint with Metro Credit Union, she worked at the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation for six years, most recently, as the Chief of Staff.

Elaine currently resides in nearby Revere with her husband where they are raising two biological children as well as foster children.

Although Elaine has moved out of Chelsea, remaining active in the community of Chelsea is still very important to her.

The Chelsea Kiwanis Club has been serving the community of Chelsea since November 1929. The Club has many goals for this fiscal year, including club growth, fundraising, and all in the name of supporting the children and families of Chelsea. As part of its support of the community, Chelsea Kiwanis has provided scholarships to Chelsea High School graduates as well as partnered up with other community-based organizations to provide

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Members of the Kiwanis Club of Chelsea are pictured at the Installation of Officers Dinner Monday at El Potro on Everett Avenue. Front row, are Jessica Wynn, Lt. Gov. Mernaysa Rivera-Bujosa, President Elaine Monge, and Michelle Mirthes. Back row, from left, are Yari Morales-Gonzalez, Past President Rich Cuthie, Secretary Cassandra Thompson, Treasurer Joe Carreiro, Tricia Williams, and Renee Caso.

ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Vega announces her candidacy for re-election to the City Councilor

Melinda Vega has announced her candidacy for re-election to the City Council. The following is her statement:

"Hello, my fellow constituents; my name is Melinda Vega, and I am running for re-election to the City Council in District 2. Chelsea is not just my home; it's where I've been a lifelong resident, a dedicated community activist, a proud mother of two boys who attend Chelsea Public Schools, a homeowner and the daughter of our local leader, Gladys Vega. My extensive experience is centered around



Melinda Vega.

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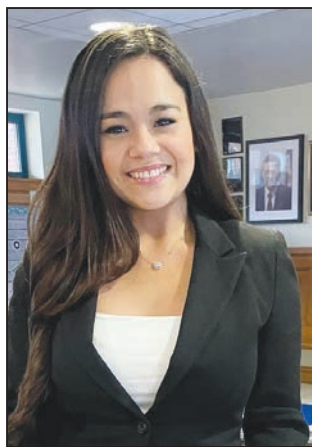
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Garcia announces her candidacy for City Councilor At-Large

Kelly Garcia has announced her candidacy for City Councilor At-Large. The following is her statement:

"Esteemed Chelsea resident, my name is Kelly Garcia, Chelsea made me who I am today. I was born and raised in this city, as one of five children supported by my mother, a factory worker, and my father, an Army Veteran turned mechanic. From an early age, my family instilled a deep love for community and making a difference. Today, I work as a special education teacher, serve as a senior consultant at La Colaborativa, and hold the position of Chair on the Chelsea School Committee, where I've served for eight years.

I've led on a citywide level, advocated for ARPA funding for our city and



Kelly Garcia.

SOA funding for the Chelsea Public School system, fought for more parks and open spaces, and distributed thousands of pounds of food and supplies to residents. I'm running for City Council At-Large to bring my public service to the next level and to ensure Chelsea is safe, inclusive, and affordable. I humbly ask for your vote on November 7."

Oliva continues her campaign for District 4 School Committee

Zaida Ismatul Oliva has announced her campaign for District 4 School Committee. The following is her statement:

"Zaida Ismatul Oliva, who grew up in Chelsea and is mom to a four-year-old in Chelsea Public Schools, has been working hard reaching out to voters this year as part of her campaign to serve as the Chelsea School Committee member for District 4.

Zaida has lived in Chelsea since 1988, when her family arrived from Guatemala. "I have been a witness to all the things that make this community rich and beautiful, especially its people and culture. I dreamed of becoming a teacher since I was five years old, but I couldn't pursue that dream after high school due to my immigration status. Now I am a proud American citizen. I got my bachelor's



Zaida Ismatul Oliva with her husband, Anton, and her daughter, Luna.

and master's degrees as soon as I became eligible, but I was an adult, nontraditional student, juggling my job and other responsibilities. I persevered, and went on to have a career in nonprofit leadership and education."

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FROM THE PHOTO ARCHIVES
OF ARNOLD JARMAK



Ninth annual J. Barry Dwyer 5K Turkey Trot is set for Chelsea Stadium Nov. 18
Shown above are two legendary Chelsea High track stars from the 1970s, Eddie Richard (left) and Bobby Goss, who are shown enjoying a laugh at the conclusion of the annual Chelsea Record Road Race in the late 1970s. Their coach during their years as Red Devils was J. Barry Dwyer, in whose memory the ninth annual J. Barry Dwyer Turkey Trot is set for Saturday, November 18, at 10 AM at Chelsea Stadium. The trot promises to be a fun event for persons of all ages and abilities, featuring a 5K road race, a 3K walk, and a 400 meter fun run for youngsters 10-and-under. The running course is a USATF-certified 5K with chip timing provided by Yankee Timing. The course is mostly flat with a mild hill on the way out and back. The start and finish is on the track at the Chelsea Memorial Stadium at Chelsea High School. The entry fee is \$25 until November 3 (\$30 after Nov. 3). Entrants who register before November 3 will receive a race T-shirt. There also will be prizes, food, games, and music with a post-race party at Chelsea Station. Proceeds will benefit the J. Barry Dwyer Scholarship Fund and the Chelsea High cross country and track teams. Dwyer's CHS cross country teams put together a string of Greater Boston League championships and compiled a winning streak of 35 meets over five seasons in the 1970s. Among the athletes he coached at Chelsea High were the legendary Goss (who set the national freshman high school record in the one-mile with a time of 4:23), Eddie Richard and his brothers Jim, Bobby, and Jack, Greg Benson, Richie Bradley, Tony and Paul Roasti, and many others during that era. For more information and to sign up on-line, go to chelseahightrack.com. (photo by Jarmak)

Student arraigned for making threats
at Shore Educational Collaborative

Staff Report

A 14-year-old boy was arraigned Monday in Boston Juvenile Court for making threats to shoot up the Shore Educational Collaborative school in Chelsea after being involved in a fight with another student last week, according to Suffolk District Attorney Kevin Hayden.

The juvenile was charged with making a bomb threat and held on \$750 bail, along with home confinement with GPS monitoring except for an alternative school placement. The juvenile was also ordered to stay

away from Shore Educational Collaborative and refrain from social media.

At about 9:30 a.m. on October 17, Chelsea police responded to the Shore Educational Collaborative for a threats call. A school official told officers that a juvenile was involved in a fight with a student at the school the day prior where he attacked the student with a hanger, according to the district attorney's office.

School staff were able to break up the fight and the juvenile allegedly screamed "Dead, dead, everyone is dead! Going to come back with a gun and shoot everyone up!"

The police were called after the incident but the school placed the juvenile on an emergency removal pending a disciplinary hearing.

The school official called police the next day because a student informed him the same juvenile had posted a picture with guns on social media saying he was coming to school and will "shoot it up." The official also mentioned several other students saw the post and did not come to school that day.

"We have seen far too much school violence across our nation and those incidents force us to treat school threats with extreme seriousness and caution," Hayden stated. "No one should feel unsafe or threatened when they are attending school or work. Prevention is key here and it is always best to intervene before it escalates."

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Planning Board recommends
approval of Veterans' Home
redevelopment with conditions

By Adam Swift

Following a lengthy meeting on Tuesday night, the Planning Board recommended approval of the special permit for the public-private Veterans' Home in Chelsea redevelopment project.

The recommendation comes with a host of conditions, including one which will have to be reviewed by the city solicitor before the Zoning Board of Appeals takes up the recommendation for a vote on the special permit at its November meeting.

The project will also be back before the Planning Board in November for a potential site plan review vote.

During the more than two hour public hearing, board members, residents, and city officials raised concerns about the project.

Many of those concerns revolved around the level of services to the veterans who currently live on the campus, the amount of green space on the campus, parking, traffic, and the configuration of Crescent Avenue.

City Council President Leo Robinson suggested that the city enter into a three-way contract with Pennrose, the developer of the campus and the state.

The Planning Board worked the condition into its approval, but city land use planner John DePriest and several other Planning Board members questioned the legal authority of the condition.

DePriest said he would have the city solicitor review the condition, and if it passed muster, it would be included in the recommendation to the ZBA, and if it did not, it would not be included.

There will be 241 units throughout the redeveloped property, and Pennrose representatives stated that all 121 veterans currently living on site will be able to remain on the property during construction and will have a place in one of the newly updated units.

Veterans will have 100 percent preference for the affordable units at the redeveloped Veterans' Home, according to Karmen Cheung, a senior developer for Pennrose.

There will be centralized social services provided onsite provided by Soldier On, a private non-profit organization that provides veterans services at similar locations, according to Pennrose.

Pennrose is preserving all nine buildings that are on the current Soldiers' Home site, with the only scheduled demolition set for the one-story incinerator building.

The new construction

for the project includes 18 units of townhouses, a two-story cafe and community building, and a new building on the east parcel at the corner of Hillside and Crest Avenue.

The project is proposed to be in phases, with the first phase being Sargent, the Laundry Building, the connector building, Williams, and the victory garden.

The priority for the first phase was to renovate the existing buildings that are mostly vacant, so that there would be fewer existing residents as possible moved.

The second phase will consist of the Adams building and the East Parcel, the third phase will be the Sullivan building and the townhouses, and the final phase will be the headquarters building, the power plant, and the Keville Building.

The overall parking plan calls for the creation of a parking deck with 119 off-street parking spots, and the creation of a parking district along Crest Avenue and Hillside which will provide 78 on-street parking spaces for Veterans' Home residents.

During the initial ZBA meeting earlier this month, as well as at the Planning Board hearing Tuesday night, several city residents and officials raised concerns about the level of services that will be provided to the existing veterans on the site once the transition is made to Pennrose. One of the main areas of concern has been the worry that the existing veterans on the campus will not receive the three meals per day that they currently receive.

Planning Board member Mimi Rancatore, who added the condition about the three-way contract suggested by Robinson, said the condition would help ensure veterans would still get the same level of service they now receive.

At the beginning of the hearing, Robert Engell, the executive director of housing for the state's Executive Office of Veterans Affairs and the acting superintendent of the Chelsea Soldiers' Home spoke in favor of the project.

"We do believe it will be both transformational for our campus and supportive of our current resident veterans, as well as future generations of veterans who will be more comfortable in their own affordable housing units," said Engell. "The Commonwealth does remain committed to serving our veterans and Chelsea and across the Commonwealth. The Community Living Center that just opened last week and this project are two leading

developments that we are using to better meet the needs of veterans today and in the future."

Engell said that all the veterans who currently live on the campus will have a place on the campus throughout construction and once the new space is developed.

The Executive Office of Veterans Affairs will continue to work closely with Pennrose, and perform annual reviews to make sure the development is meeting the needs of the entire veterans population, Engell said.

Eleanor Street resident and District 2 City Council candidate Constantinos Boussios said he has concerns about the project both for veterans and the community at large.

Boussios said he has heard from veterans concerned that they will not be getting three meals per day, making it harder for older and disabled veterans to live on the campus. He also questioned the plans presented by Pennrose, noting that there were no concrete plans in writing about the services for veterans.

Boussios also raised concerns about the potential loss of green space when the east parcel is developed.

District 3 Councilor Norieliz DeJesus said she wanted to make sure there was plenty of outreach to the community about the project once construction starts, pointing to the disruptions to residents during the Central Avenue housing project.

Several other residents raised concerns about stormwater management, traffic, speeding on Summit Avenue, the location of a proposed playground on the property, and tree bump outs on Crescent Avenue and how it could impact snow plowing and street sweeping, as well as the veterans meals and services.

There was also a statement from City Council candidate Roberto Jimenez Rivera raising concerns about the veterans services.

"I would hope, having heard from us and the members of the community and the City Council president, that this is something of great importance and value to everyone here," Planning Board member Sharlene McLean said at the end of the meeting about the commitment to maintain the level of services and the three meals per day to the veterans who currently live on the campus.

Other conditions included in the Planning Board recommendation for approval included design review, a landscape maintenance plan, a stormwater management plan, a construction management plan, and the application to the Traffic and Parking Commission for the veterans' parking district proposal.

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basic needs, like clothing, toiletries, and diapers to area families, as well as worked regionally to support children in need in many different manners. The Annual Chelsea Kiwanis Track & Field Day each September is a significant fundraising event for these scholarships.

“In order for our club to continue the great work that we do, we are looking for the support from local officials, local businesses, and the community, to deliver and show why “Chelsea Cares” about its own.” – Elaine

Other officers and directors for the new Kiwanis year include: Rich Cuthie assumes the role of Immediate Past President after being President for the past two years; Carolyn Boumila-Vega becomes Vice-President; Joe Carreiro continues as Treasurer and Cassandra Thompson continues as Secretary; Directors are Veronica Dyer-Medina and Yaritza Morales-Gonzalez.



Kiwanis Club of Chelsea President Elaine Monge, with her husband, Steven Monge, and their children, Elianni and Nino, pictured at the Installation of Officers Reception at El Potro.



Kiwanis Lt. Gov. Mernaysa Rivera-Bujosa (right) places the pin on the official Kiwanis jacket of President Elaine Monge at the Installation of Officers Reception.



From left, Lt. Gov. Mernaysa Rivera-Bujosa, Kiwanis Club of Chelsea President Elaine Monge, Secretary Cassandra Thompson, Treasurer Joe Carreiro, and Past President Rich Cuthie.

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new holistic community giving approach of adding value to local communities, and in partnership with their national non-profit partner AdoptA-Classroom.org, they hope to help empower those in their local store communities to live a better life and build a better future. Each time Burlington opens a new store, they celebrate by adopting and funding local classrooms in their new store community. The new Chelsea Burlington Store opens on Friday, October 20, at 1100 Revere Beach Parkway and provides ‘wow- deals’ for the entire family and home.

Burlington Stores, Inc., headquartered in New Jersey, is a nationally recognized off-price retailer with Fiscal 2022 net

sales of \$8.7 billion. The Company is a Fortune 500 company and its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol “BURL.” The Company operated 933 stores as of the end of the first quarter of Fiscal 2023, in 46 states and Puerto Rico, principally under the name Burlington Stores. The Company’s stores offer an extensive selection of in-season, fashion-focused merchandise at up to 60% off other retailers’ prices, including women’s ready-to-wear apparel, menswear, youth apparel, baby, beauty, footwear, accessories, home, toys, gifts and coats. For more information about the Company, visit www.burlington.com.

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and he expects it to go out to bid at the end of the year. Construction would then begin next March and continue through the end of 2024, he said.

On the affordable housing side, the Community Development Block Grant will provide financing for development of 66 affordable housing units at 170 Cottage St. and allow the city to complete its strategic housing plan, Train said.

The social services aspect of the block grant includes the continued operation of some existing services, as well as a new senior citizens home meal delivery program that the community development department is expanding in conjunction with the Chelsea Senior Center.

“This is allowing us to expand our infrastructure work in order to beautify neighborhoods, promote

roadway safety, and increase the quality of life for residents, as well as to meaningfully tackle the affordable housing shortage in Chelsea,” Train said of the grant funding. “On the social service side, we are going to continue our support for an at-risk youth program at Chelsea High School, citizenship and immigration services, as well as ESOL programs – all of which we see as critical to promoting upward economic mobility for residents.”

Also on the grant front, last week the police department received \$60,000 through the state’s FY24 Municipal Road Safety Grant Program.

Nearly \$5.5 million was invested across 186 cities and towns in the state to support traffic safety enforcement and outreach programming.

The annual program

provides funding to municipal police departments who propose traffic safety projects in their community, including high visibility enforcement patrols, equipment to enhance road safety such as digital speed signs, pedestrian and bicyclist safety initiatives and public outreach campaigns intended to educate community members and youth about roadway safety.

“Whether by vehicle, bicycle or foot, everyone has the right to travel safely through our communities,” stated Governor Maura Healey. “Through this program, we were able to award grants to every community that requested funding. The education, enforcement and outreach initiatives supported through these grants will help ensure safer roads for all.”

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more home ownership opportunities and affordable housing, and supporting our immigrant community.

I remain committed to being a steadfast advocate for the community, unwavering in my dedication to addressing your pressing needs and top priorities. My unwavering focus is on formulating and implementing policies that directly tackle

issues such as housing insecurities, enhancing the quality of life for seniors and veterans, fostering workforce and economic development, ensuring food sustainability, providing exceptional educational opportunities for our children, empowering our youth, promoting beautification initiatives, all while steadfastly addressing vital concerns related to environmental

justice, substance abuse, and mental health programs. My vision for our district, is one of progress, inclusivity, and resilience, where every voice is heard and every concern is met with a proactive and compassionate response.

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WE MUST CONFRONT THE NEW AXIS OF EVIL

When former President George W. Bush coined the term “Axis of Evil” to refer to the nations of Iran, No. Korea, and Iraq in his 2002 State of the Union speech, his comments were largely derided. Even in the aftermath of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center just a few months previously, Bush’s juvenile comments were seen as jingoistic hyperbole about three countries that posed no real threat to the United States.

At the time of Bush’s speech, Russia was a vastly-diminished power. China was viewed as an emerging economic powerhouse with no military ambitions. As for Iran, it was causing problems on a small scale in its realm of influence, but it was al-Qaeda and Osama bin Laden who had planned the 9/11 attacks.

But times have changed. Twenty years later, there has been a substantial realignment in the world order. Russia has re-emerged from the ashes of the former Soviet Union to pose a military threat in Eastern Europe (though Vladimir Putin’s army has been shown to be a paper tiger). China has expanded its military presence and capabilities dramatically under Xi Jinping. The Iranians under Ayatollah Ali Khamenei have undertaken the development of a nuclear weapon and are the sponsors of various terrorist groups, including Hamas, Hezbollah, and the Houthis (who are in Yemen), who are causing chaos throughout the Middle East.

What all three of these nations have in common is that they are run by unyielding tyrants: Putin, Xi, and Khamenei are brutal rulers who essentially have become dictators for life. There is not even a pretense of democracy in their countries and dissent of any kind is met with arrests, beatings, torture, sham trials, long jail sentences, and even death -- and that’s just for expressing an opinion critical of their government’s policies.

Ukraine and Israel presently are bearing the brunt of the assaults by these dictatorial regimes, with Taiwan poised to be next in line.

Understandably, Americans do not want to become involved in these conflicts, especially after we only just ended our own long war in Afghanistan. But the simple reality is that freedom isn’t free and this unholy trinity have been supporting each other, financially, militarily, and in other ways, to undermine America and our allies.

Fortunately, President Joe Biden and the vast majority of members of Congress, Republicans and Democrats, recognize that we must do whatever we can to thwart this new Axis of Evil. The inconvenient truth is that only America can lead the free world against the forces of oppression. Burying our head in the sand is not an option.

THE DOMINOES ARE FALLING TOWARD TRUMP

With the crisis in the Middle East and the dysfunction among Congressional Republicans garnering all of the headlines these days, the many trials and tribulations of former President Donald Trump have been relegated in recent weeks to what we in the newspaper business refer to as “below the fold” news stories.

But the recent plea bargain agreements with the Fulton County District Attorney of two of Trump’s lawyers, Sidney Powell and Kenneth Chesebro, who helped him concoct various schemes to steal the election in Georgia, portend the inevitable march in the case against Trump himself for his role in masterminding the attempted swindle which was highlighted by that now-infamous phone call with the Georgia Secretary of State that captured Trump’s own words in an audio recording.

Trump will try to delay his own trial for as long as possible. But as his co-conspirators realize that jeopardizing their careers -- not to mention facing the prospect of a lengthy sentence in a Georgia state prison -- are not worth it for a man who does not have their backs, they one-by-one will decide to come clean and tell the truth.

And as they do so, Donald Trump himself will move closer-and-closer to being held accountable for his efforts to undermine our democracy.

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LETTER to the Editor

CARDINAL PUBLISHES LETTER TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON ON MAJOR HUMANITARIAN AND SOCIETAL CRISIS

Dear Editor:

Cardinal Seán O’Malley has written to pastors and the parishes of the Archdiocese regarding a growing humanitarian and societal crisis that is building in the Commonwealth and Archdiocese of Boston. The issue involves the fate of immigrants arriving daily in Massachusetts, and in need of basic shelter and compassionate care.

The Cardinal highlights the immediate challenges and growing crisis and offers guidance to parishes how they can assist in meeting essential needs of a rising immigrant population. The following is the text of the letter:

I write to you today to speak about a major humanitarian and societal crisis that is building in the State of Massachusetts and within our Archdiocese. Please take the time to review this letter with your parish staff and prepare your parishioners to be ready and willing to assist. The challenge is the fate of immigrants arriving daily in Massachusetts, and in need of basic shelter and compassionate care and welcome.

First, allow me to give a brief explanation of the crisis that we are currently facing, but which is sure to become much larger. Next, I will outline what we have done and what we are doing. Finally, I will ask for specific help, so that we can act now before the need becomes overwhelming.

I. The Situation: Presently there are 7000 families being cared for in state sponsored shelters (approximately 20,000 individuals); by October 31st the expectation is that 7500 families will be with us.

Gov. Healey and Lt.

Gov. Driscoll have been deeply committed and determined to care for a rising immigration population, but they have also been honest in saying that the Commonwealth faces a mounting crisis beyond its capacity to respond effectively.

II. What we have done: The Archdiocese, through Catholic Charities, St. Mary’s Center for Women and Children and the Archdiocesan Planning Office for Urban Affairs has worked closely with the Healey-Driscoll Administration and with other non-profit agencies even as the flow of immigrants has increased geometrically in the last few months. All three of those agencies have expanded capacity to address both the short and long-term needs for housing and supportive services. Over these past months, we have offered the State the use of 8 of our buildings, which we hope it will be able to authorize and use. In addition, some of our parishes have already received new shelters and people into their communities as the Commonwealth has greatly expanded its shelter capacity. The Archdiocese has offered assistance to those parishes, and we will continue to offer help to any parishes and communities we are not yet aware of needing assistance. As noted above, our three Archdiocesan affiliated agencies are deeply engaged in this crisis. Our relationship with the Healey-Driscoll administration has been constant and consistent. Recently, we have partnered with our very effective Saint Vincent de Paul Society to plan for how we can prepare for the cold weather coming; most of the recently arrived families are from warmer climates.

III. How can each and every parish help: The challenge is a local one in the sense that only some of the neighborhoods and parish communities will deal with shelters in their areas; however, the challenge is for all of us as an

Archdiocese. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society has the appropriate storage and ability to collect and distribute items directly to those in need. Therefore, my request is that you work with them in your parishes/collaboratives for a drive this November prior to the cold weather.

Accordingly, I am asking parishes to consider the following:

1. If you do not have a St. Vincent de Paul bin in your parish, I urge you to please contact their vendor directly, CMRK, which delivers their bins to parishes. Simply call (508) 351-9000 and ask for Patrick to schedule a delivery.

2. Announce this invitation and the reason for it to your parishioners and invite them to donate winter coats, boots, socks which will be picked up on November 18 just prior to Thanksgiving.

3. The St. Vincent de Paul Society will pick up the clothing, store it at its facility in Stoughton, and then distribution will be made to those in shelters throughout the Archdiocese.

4 In addition to winter clothing, other resources which can be donated at the same time and in the same bins include the following items: diapers, toothbrushes (adult and child size), toothpaste,

soap, deodorant, mouthwash, combs, lotion, shampoo, washcloth, and Kleenex tissues.

5. Beyond these immediate actions, there may arise a time when all shelters are filled to capacity and weather conditions require immediate assistance for families in the New England winter. If this occurs offering short-term critical care and shelter in the biblical sense of “welcoming the stranger” will be the appropriate response from the Archdiocese as a whole. If you have buildings for this short-term purpose, please contact Fr. Bryan Hehir’s office at (617) 746-5738 or (617) 746-5733.

I stress that this is a crisis but is only going to expand. I offer this invitation in the spirit of Pope Francis who has asked us as Catholics to watch the “peripheries” of society where suffering is located. In our time, migrants and refugees are among the most vulnerable individuals and families in the United States. It is my hope and desire that as a Church we respond generously and effectively.

With the assurance of my prayers and gratitude for your service to the Church,

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Cardinal Sean O’Malley

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GIUSEPPE STUTO IS GUEST SPEAKER AT JBGC BREAKFAST SERIES

Giuseppe Stuto, co-founder and managing partner of 186 Ventures, was the guest speaker at the Jordan Boys and Girls Club Breakfast Wednesday at the club on Willow Street.

Stuto, a graduate of Malden Catholic High School

and Boston Unniversity, gave a fascinating talk on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its current and future impact on the economy,

healthcare, education, and other aspects of daily life. Stuto also took questions from guests at the breakfast.



Chelsea Police Chief Keith Houghton, guest speaker Giuseppe Stuto, City Council President Leo Robinson, and Inspectional Services Department Director Michael McAteer.



JBGC Breakfast Series Chair Mark Robinson (right) and JBGC Executive Director Gina Centrella (center) welcome guest speaker Giuseppe Stuto to Wednesday's Breakfast Series event at the Clubhouse.



Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jennifer Hassell, New England Patriots Foundation President Josh Kraft, Chelsea Police Chief Keith Houghton, and JBGC Executive Director Gina Centerella are pictured at the JBGC Breakfast Wednesday.



JBGC founder and former Executive Director Josh Kraft, JBGC Director of Operations Michael Letchfield, Breakfast guest speaker Giuseppe Stuto, and BGCB Associate Director of Marketing Scott Siegler.



Joseph Mahoney, guest speaker Giuseppe Stuto, and David Geller.



Guest speaker Giuseppe Stuto and Chelsea Director of Elder Services Tracey Nowicki.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), breast cancer is one of the most common cancers among women in the United States. Each year in the U.S., about 240,000 cases of breast cancer are diagnosed in women and about 2,100 in men. Although deaths from breast cancer have declined over time, breast cancer is still the second leading cause of cancer death among women overall. In addition, breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among Hispanic women and Black women die from breast cancer at a higher rate than white women. About 1 in every 100 breast cancer diagnoses are found in men in the U.S.

The month of October is recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, a health observance that reminds us to be aware of the symptoms and risk factors for breast cancer as well as steps we can take to improve our health and possibly help lower the risk of getting breast cancer or finding it early when it may be easier to treat. Mammograms, x-rays of the breast, are especially important because they may detect breast cancer when there are no apparent symptoms. When symptoms of breast cancer develop they may include:

- New lump in breast or underarm (armpit)

- Changes in size or shape of breast
 - Thickening or swelling in parts of the breast
 - Pulling in of the nipple or pain in the nipple area
 - Pain in any area of the breast
 - Nipple discharge other than breast milk, including blood
 - Irritation or dimpling of breast skin
 - Redness or flakiness in nipple area or breast
- Screening recommendations vary between experts including age to start screening and frequency of screening, but for women at average risk for breast cancer the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommends biennial screening mammography from age 50 to 74 years. The decision to start screenings for women who are 40 to 49 years of age should be an individual one. Women with certain risk factors for breast cancer may need to start screening at an earlier age and may need more frequent screening.
- Although breast cancer screening cannot prevent breast cancer, it can help find breast cancer early, when it is easier to treat. It is a good idea to talk with a doctor about potential benefits and risk factors that come with various types of screenings.
- There are two types of

mammograms: a standard two-dimensional (2-D) image where each breast is compressed from two different angles (top to bottom and side to side), and a three-dimensional (3-D) image, also known as breast tomosynthesis, where each breast is compressed from two different angles as with a 2-D mammogram but in which the machine takes several low-dose x-rays, moving in an arc direction around the breast. While 3-D mammograms are increasing in popularity, it may not be available in all areas.

The CDC provides several steps to prepare for a mammogram, such as avoiding deodorants, perfume, or powders under the arm or breasts on exam day. Some of these products can show up as white

spots on the x-rays.

Find a Health Center is a helpful tool for finding local mammography centers. Check to see that the imaging facility you choose is certified and accepts your insurance. Many organizations offer free mammograms and breast screenings.

The health and medical professionals at United-Healthcare advise talking with your doctor to discuss health history, any symptoms you may be experiencing, or preventive screenings. Let Breast Cancer Awareness Month be a reminder to follow the suggestions here for your health and wellbeing.

Dr. Ana Stankovic, chief medical officer, United-Healthcare of New England

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CHELSEA POLICE DEPARTMENT HOSTS FAITH AND BLUE PROGRAM IN CHELSEA SQUARE

Chief Keith Houghton and members of the Chelsea Police Department, along with members of the Chelsea Faith Community, came together on Oct. 13 in Chelsea Square as part of the Faith and Blue initiative.

Faith and Blue is an opportunity to further build bridges and to create more inclusivity in the community.

(The above summary was provided by Daniel

Cortez, Community Engagement Specialist for the Chelsea Police Department, who served as master of ceremonies for the speaking program).



Community leaders, Police Chief Keith Houghton and CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell.



CPD Community Engagement Specialist Daniel Cortez and CPD Officer Nicole McLaughlin.



The Chelsea Police Department had outstanding representation at the Faith and Blue program in Chelsea Square. From left, are Officer Nicole McLaughlin, Capt. David Rizzuto, Capt. Thomas McLain Jr., Sgt. Paul McCarthy, Chief Keith Houghton, and Community Engagement Specialist Daniel Cortez.



Chelsea Police Sgt. Paul McCarthy, Police Chief Keith Houghton, CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell, and Roy Valentin of CAPIC.



Program speaker Richelle Cromwell, CAPIC Executive Director.



Former Chelsea youth baseball star Steve Selvage, pictured at the Faith and Blue program.



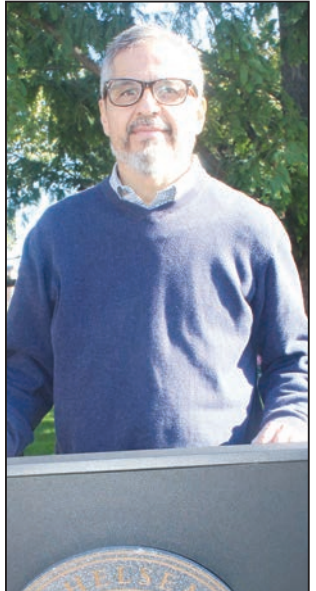
Police Chief Keith Houghton was one of the speakers during the Faith and Blue program.



Program speaker Keila Velez



Pictured at the Chelsea Police Department's Faith and Blue event in Chelsea Square are, from left, Yamilet Tejada, Pastor Ricardo Valle, Pastor Virginia Smith, CPD Community Engagement Specialist Daniel Cortez, Police Chief Keith Houghton, CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell, Sgt. Paul McCarthy, Cesar Cortez, Officer Nicole McLaughlin, Apostle Angel Rivas, and Kelia Velez.



CPD Community Engagement Specialist Daniel Cortez did a great job as organizer and master of ceremonies for the Faith and Blue initiative, working in coordination with Chief Keith Houghton.

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Instruction at Chelsea Public Schools shines during Massachusetts STEM Week

Special to the Record

The STEM work hap- pening inside the schools in Chelsea was featured prominently last week during Massachusetts STEM Week. Annually in October, the Common- wealth of Massachusetts recognizes the work hap- pening in schools across the state in the fields of Science, Technology, En- gineering and Mathemat- ics (STEM).

On Monday, October 16, Sokolowski admin- istrators and teachers welcomed local and state dignitaries to observe a second-grade classroom where students are work- ing with the Engineering is Elementary curriculum or “EiE”. The EiE frame- work was implemented at the Sokolowski as part of a partnership between Chelsea Public Schools (CPS) and the Museum of Science. EiE inspires chil- dren when they are young students to become life long problem solvers and STEM learners.

State and local dignitar- ies visited the Sokolowski to watch the curriculum at

work including Secretary of Education Dr. Patrick Tutwiler, State Senator Sal DiDomenico, State Rep- resentative Judith Garcia, Superintendent Dr. Almi G. Abeyta, School Com- mittee Chairwoman Kelly Garcia and City Council- or Tanairi Garcia as well as representatives from a variety of other organiza- tions including the Muse- um of Science’s President Tim Ritchie.

The gathered guests observed students partake in a lesson where they designed their own Play- Doh. EiE follows the En- gineering Design Process and uses scientific inquiry, enabling students to make connections to the real world. The curriculum presents real world chal- lenges that encourage stu- dents to explore multiple ways to solve a problem. As part of today’s lesson, students were challenged to gather their own ingre- dients, experiment with different colors, and eval- uate their creations after- wards. Even if students determined that their Play-Doh design could be improved, the evaluative

component of the scientif- ic process gave them the confidence to try and try again.

Meanwhile, Meleny Rodriguez, a student in 10th grade at Chelsea High School, attended the state’s STEM Week Kick- Off event hosted at Boston University’s Center for Computing and Data Sci- ence. Meleny discussed her experiences with BU’s Upward Bound Math Science Program where she worked on a project in environmental science with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, Education Sec- retary Patrick Tutwiler, PhD., and Boston Univer- sity interim provost Ken- neth Lutchen attended the prestigious event.

Classrooms across CPS celebrated STEM Week with special activities and assignments. From elementary education to the work of stellar stu- dents like Meleny at CHS, STEM instruction at CPS is making an impact on Chelsea students’ lives.



Oscar Diaz Fuentes Jr. (in the yellow sweatshirt) with Agatha Vital Nogueira (next to him) watch Rose Castro Lopez pour a blue liquid into a bucket as Briana Cabrera Garcia reached to help.



Chelsea Public Schools staff including Superintendent Dr. Almi G. Abeyta, Officer of Inno- vation, Access, and Opportunity Malik Howshan, Sokolowski Principal Nate Meyers and Assistant Principal Camilo Machado welcomed state and local officials as well as Museum of Science representatives to the Sokolowski on Monday, October 16, to observe the im- plementation of the Museum’s “Engineering is Elementary” curriculum in a second grade classroom.



The gathered guests (shown above and below) observed students partake in a lesson where they designed their own Play-Doh. EiE follows the Engineering Design Process and uses scientific inquiry.



Shown (left to right) are Museum of Science President Tim Ritchie, State Senator Sal Di- Domenico, City Councilor Tanairi Garcia, Superintendent Dr. Almi G. Abeyta, Secretary of Education Patrick Tutwiler, Ph.D., State Representative Judith Garcia, and School Commit- tee Chairwoman Kelly Garcia.

CHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

CHS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL FINISHES AT 16-2, TAKES 2ND IN GBL

The Chelsea High girls volleyball team concluded its most successful season in the program’s history -- as well as one of the most successful seasons of any sport in the annals of CHS athletics -- finishing their 2023 campaign with a sterling 16-2 record and claiming undisputed pos- session of second place in the Greater Boston League (GBL) behind only un- defeated Lynn Classical.

First-year head coach Gloria Rodriguez’s Lady Red Devils defeated GBL foe Medford (3-0) and non-league rivals Boston Latin Academy (3-2 and 3-0), New Mission (3-1), and East Boston (3-0) in the past two weeks. Their lone setback during the stretch came at Classical by a 3-0 score.

The Lady Red Devils celebrated Senior Night in an appropriate fash- ion against Boston Latin Academy this past Tues- day with a 3-0 shutout. The members of the CHS Class of 2024 who were honored and recognized for their contributions to the girls volleyball pro- pragm were Yareliz Gon- zalez Falcon, Keiri Her- nandez Romero, Emily

Rojop Lopez, and Tatiana Sanabria Herrera.

Among the highlights for the Chelsea squad in their recent victories were:

-- Angelica Ayala served a game-high eight aces and Treasure Wil- liams delivered eight kills in the win over East Bos- ton;

-- Ayala also led the team with five aces in the match with Classical. “Angelica has improved her serve the last couple of matches,” said Rodriguez. “She is now an incredibly strong server;”

-- Ashley Martinez de- livered 10 aces and dished out 24 assists in the win over New Mission; and

-- Tatiana Sanabria Her- rera scored 18 kills in the win over Medford.

Rodriguez and her crew, who punched their ticket for a Journey to the Tourney midway through the season, now await word of their final seeding and first-round opponent in the upcoming Division 2 MIAA state volleyball tournament.

CHS FOOTBALL HOSTS SOMERVILLE TONIGHT

The 2-5 Chelsea High football team will be shooting for its third win of the season when the

Red Devils host Somer- ville this evening (Thurs- day) under the lights at Chelsea Stadium. The opening kick-off is set for 6:00.

CHS BOYS SOCCER TO CONCLUDE SEASON

The Chelsea High boys soccer team, which stands at 4-7-4 on the season, will wrap up its 2023 cam- paign this coming week. Coach Mick Milutinovic’s crew is scheduled to travel to Lynn Classical today (Thursday) and to Boston International on Monday.

CHS CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS WRAP UP SEASON

The Chelsea High boys and girls cross country teams wrapped up their dual meet season with contests against Great- er Boston League rivals Medford and Revere in the past two weeks.

In the Medford meet, the CHS girls came up short by a score of 24-32. The top five finishers for the Lady Red Devils were: Rosalinda Rojas (2nd) Hazel Hatleberg (3rd) Iyssis Henderson (7th) Jada Amezquita (9th) Mar caylla Louis-Jean (11th)

“It was a good effort from the girls’ side against a strong Medford team,” said CHS head coach Ree- gan von Wildrenradt.

For the boys, who fell by a score of 22-35, the top five Red Devils were: Alex Flores (1st) Jose Amaya (5th) Kyle Leong (8th) Jason Rodrigues (10th) Sherwin Kim (11th) “I was happy with how the boys ran against a strong Medford team,” said von Wildenradt.

Last Wednesday, Chel- sea hosted Revere on the Admiral’s Hill course, with the boys earning a victory and the girls com- ing up just short.

For the boys, who tri- umphed by a score of 15- 50, the top five runners were:

Alex Flores (1st) Jose Amaya (2nd) Jason Rodrigues (3rd) Kyle Leong (4th) Ivan Padilla (7th)

“The boys ran really well,” said von Wilden- radt. “This was a great last regular-season meet. We’re looking forward to the GBL Meet.”

The CHS girls were narrowly edged by a score of 26-29 by a 5-1 Revere squad. The top five fin- ishers for Chelsea were:

Rosalinda Rojas (1st) Iyssis Henderson (5th) Hazel Hatleberg (6th)

Jada Amezquita (8th) Ashley Mejia (9th)

“It was a good show- ing from the girls,” said von Wildenradt. “We had some really great moves during the back end of this race that really made this a close one. I was proud of their efforts, as always.”

Both teams were sched- uled to compete in the GBL Meet yesterday (Wednesday) at Torbert Macdonald Park on Route 16 along the banks of the Mystic River in Medford.

GIRLS SOCCER TO HOLD SENIOR NIGHT MONDAY

The Chelsea High girls soccer team will conclude its season this coming Monday when the Lady Red Devils host Boston International in a contest that will be highlighted by Senior Day festivities.

“Overall, the team is looking forward to cele- brating our seniors, Ales- sandra Campos, Keara Chavez Trejo, Julissa Da-

vila Gonzalez, and Steph- anie Martinez, in our last game of the season,” said CHS head coach Randy Grajal. “Their hard work and dedication deserves to be celebrated.”

The Lady Red Dev- ils played two games last week against Greater Bos- ton League opponents Revere and Medford and came up short by scores of 6-0 and 7-1 respective- ly. Senior Keara Chavez Trejo scored her first goal of the season in the Mal- den game from a well- struck corner kick by se- nior Alessandra Campos. Keara met the ball in the box and then executed a one-timer that cleanly beat the Malden goalkeeper, delivering the ball into the back of the Malden net.

“Sophomore Natalie Alvarenga has made a lot of progress this year as a goalie,” noted Grajal. “She is more decisive and has developed a voice on the field, which are im- portant qualities in a goal- ie.”

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EBNHC hosts Fall Family Health Fair

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center hosted a Fall Family Health Fair in East Boston on Friday, October 13th to promote health and wellness among the East Boston and surrounding communities. The event attracted hundreds of local residents, providing access to health resources from more than a dozen community organizations as well as free flu shots. Attendees enjoyed delicious local food

and beverages, as well as fun activities such as pumpkin decorating, face painting, a photo booth, and yard games. Festive youth dance performances also took place in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) is one of the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community-based primary care health system in

Massachusetts, serving over 100,000 patients and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a Health Center Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has offered access to comprehensive care for the underserved populations of Chelsea, East Boston, Revere, Winthrop, Everett and Boston's South End. EBNHC is dedicated to promoting and sustain-

ing healthy communities, families, and individuals by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality health care services, including primary care, 24/7 emergency care, behavioral health care, specialty care, and various other health and wellness programs, to all who live and work in our service area. For more information, please visit www.ebnhc.org.



Dancers from Veronica Robles Cultural Center entertain the attendees of EBNHC's Fall Family Health Fair. EBNHC is proud to partner with VROCC to support arts and culture enrichment for local youth.



Hollis Graham, Assistant Vice President, Strategy, Innovation & Transformation, EBNHC; Veronica Robles, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Cultural Center; and Dr. Jackie Fantes, Chief Medical Officer, EBNHC; with Las Estrellitas dancers.



EBNHC nurses Marian Damian-Cruz RN on the left and Sarah Grainger RN on the right prepare flu shots for the fair where more than 100 community members were vaccinated against seasonal flu.



Dr. Jackie Fantes; Katina Smith of 261 Fearless; Tori Yee of 261 Fearless; and Laura Piscopo, Assistant Director of Development, EBNHC.



Youth attending the fair enjoyed pumpkin painting, face painting, yard games and DJ music.



Local community members were happy to receive their free flu shot from EBNHC nurses.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Season to your taste

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Seasoning food to your taste is more than a matter of salt and pepper on the table. It's also a matter of health, genetics, and regional and cultural background.

The selection of seasonings that a family or restaurant offers for individuals to adapt a dish to their taste varies from culture to culture. We also differ in how we, as individuals, season our food.

Since Penny cooks, you might think she seasons our food to her taste. Penny prefers less salt

and more pepper than Ed. However, we can add these adjustments to the plate of food, so our meals have less of both.

Cultural Seasonings

Think of the "seasonings" you'll find on the table or on-the-side when you enjoy a meal at a Vietnamese, Chinese, Indian, Japanese, Thai, Italian, or Middle Eastern restaurant. These offerings might include fish sauce, soy sauce, wasabi, shichimi togarashi, sriracha, red pepper flakes, olive oil, grated cheese, plates of herbs, yogurt, raitas, or

chutneys. At an American-style diner, you'll find catsup, mustard, and salt and pepper shakers.

Regional Adaptations

Growing up in Rhode Island with Canadian and Irish influence, Penny always asks for malt vinegar for fries or fish and chips. If she's somewhere that offers brown gravy on their menu, she'll request that on the side. In RI, even pizza places would ask if you wanted catsup, vinegar, or brown gravy with your fries. Today, we know that was a nod to French Canadian poutine.



In a Vietnamese restaurant, your bowl of pho should have a selection of herbs, sauces, and spices to season your meal to your specific taste. (Photo by Lightscape)

Various regional spice blends are used in cooking in different parts of this country. Louisiana is famous for its cajun, gumbo filé, and great Tabasco sauce. Puerto Rico's favorite blend is sazón, while Bell's seasoning is a New England favorite. Old Bay is from Maryland. Jamaicans introduced us to jerk seasoning,

Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat!

Samin Nosrat's famous four categories are one way to begin thinking about changing your meals: by choosing a different salt, fat, acid, or heat to cook and serve your food.

Your salt may come from a shaker or a highly salted product like fish sauce or anchovies. Acids

worldwide include dozens of vinegars, each with their own flavor profiles. A simple switch to Spanish sherry vinegar or Italy's balsamic will offer a new style of brightness to the food. This is especially true in vinaigrettes.

Choosing olive oil, butter, lard, or coconut oil will take your meal in a new direction. Toasted sesame oil makes a great drizzle on Asian food.

Even something as simple as choosing a lemon or lime wedge to serve on a dinner plate can be a cultural choice. In France and Italy, it will be lemon, and in Southeast Asia, lime.

Heat and how much you add to your dish is a matter of personal preference and cultural norms. When friends from Thailand

wrote down what to order on the Thai-style menu at a local restaurant, they quickly warned us to ask that the chef cut back on the heat. We have learned that Vindaloo on an Indian menu means very spicy, and we genuinely appreciate the little chili peppers that alert us to the spice level on so many menus.

We enjoy trying what works for other foodways and think the cooler months are a great time to experiment with the food we make at home. Here's to everyone seasoning more food to their taste in the months ahead!

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BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins season and Poitras start well

Tuesday night’s Bruins game with the Chicago Blackhawks could’ve easily been billed as ‘The Gunfight At The United Center,’ dueling participants being NHL’s 2023 #1 pick, 18-year-old Connor Bedard for the Blackhawks, versus Matt Poitras, Boston’s 19-year-old, 2022 second-round pick. When the smoke had cleared it was obvious that Poitras emerged as the winner, with a goal (#3) and three shots on net, and Bedard’s stats showing a single hit, with zero shots and points, although the youngster did score a goal in the first period that was waved off due to a review that indicated the play was offside. The NHL rule regarding Poitras is that the Bruins have nine games in which to play Poitras and then must decide if they place him or their NHL roster, it not, he must be returned to his junior team. Poitras’ play in the six games to date, and his three goals in his last two games is making it very hard for the Bruins to even think of returning him to his junior team.

Boston’s 3-0 victory over Chicago upped their record to 6-0-0, their best start in over 80-years (1937-38), to start a season. At the conclusion of the game it was comforting to know that



Jakub Lauko avoided a catastrophe when he received a cut near his eye following contact with his face and the skate of Chicago’s Jason Dickson in a third period collision along the boards. Coach Jim Montgomery when asked, reported that Lauko was good and will be fine. Reflecting back to a recent Bruins’ press conference when management and players were on the same page stating: “We’re not going to be the same team,” that was a statement that became a fact rather quickly. While their record last year at this time was similar, the goal-scoring to date has been compacted to seven players: David Pastrnak (5), Brad Marchand (4), Matt Poitras (3), James van Riemsdyk (3), Trent Frederic (2), Morgan Geekie (1) and Pavel Zacha (1). Not to be overlooked has been the continuation from last season’s solid performance in goal for the Bs. Linus Ullmark boasts a record of 3-0-0, with a 1.00 goals-against-average and a .962 save-percentage. Jeremy Swayman had mirror-like stats

with his 3-0-0 start to the season, a goals-against average of 1.34 and a .957 save-percentage. Fan reaction questioned the loss of the multiple free agents signed at the end of last season, probably included...what do we do now that we have lost the talented free agents Boston had picked up last season. The answer is a 6-0-0 start that feature a half-dozen wins, with four coming on the recent West Coast trip. A fact that brought back fond memories of Mad Magazine’s Alfred E. Neuman in a photo captioned – “Who me worry?” The three stars of Tuesday’s game featured Zach #1, Swayman #2 and Poitras #3.

Bruins return to TD Garden ice tonight (Thursday 7:00pm) to host the Anaheim Ducks. Following Boston’s 3-1 victory over the Ducks on their recent West Coast trip. Saturday (7:00pm) the red-hot Detroit Red Wings will provide the opposition, followed by visits from the Florida Panthers – Monday (7:00pm) and close out the four-game homestand by hosting the Toronto Maple Leafs on Thursday (7:00pm). This homestand will be a good test for the Bs, as the competition will be turned up a notch as several top teams come to town.

As Halloween creeps closer, NFPA reminds the public to celebrate with fire safety in mind

As Halloween creeps closer, the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) is reminding the public that fire safety hazards often lurk among spooky decorations and festivities. With these potential risks in mind, the association encourages everyone to take simple precautions that can help ensure a festively fun, safe holiday.

“From decorating with jack-o-lanterns and other seasonal items to costume parties and trick-or-treating, many hallmarks of Halloween can present potential fire hazards,” said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. “Fortunately, the vast majority of these risks can be prevented with a little added awareness and caution.”

According to NFPA data, candles accounted for an annual average of 7,400 home fires, resulting in 90 deaths, 670 injuries and \$291 million in direct property damage between 2015 and 2019. In addition, an annual average of 790 home structure fires began with decorations, causing one civilian fire death, 26 civilian fire injuries, and \$13 million in direct property damage; more than two of every five (44 percent) of these fires occurred when decorations were placed too close to a heat source, such as a candle or hot equipment.

NFPA offers these tips



and guidelines for enjoying a boo-tiful and fire-safe Halloween:

- Decorations: Many common decorations like cornstalks, crepe paper, and dried flowers are very flammable. Keep these and similar decorations far away from any open flames or heat sources, like candles, heaters, and light bulbs.

- Candles: Using candles as decoration can be risky if not done correctly. Keep them in a well-attended area out of the path of potential trick-or-treaters. Remind children of the dangers of open flames, and make sure they are always supervised when candles are lit. Always extinguish candles before leaving an area.

- Jack-o-lanterns: Glow sticks or electric candles are the safest choice when it comes to lighting up your jack-o-lantern, but if you choose to use a real candle, do so with extreme caution. Light a candle inside a jack-o-lantern using long fireplace matches or a utility lighter and keep it away from other deco-

rations.

- Costumes: Avoid fabric that billows or trails behind you, as these can easily ignite. If you are making your own costume, avoid loosely woven fabrics like linen and cotton, which can be very flammable.

- Visibility: Give children flashlights or glowsticks for lighting, these can even be incorporated into the costume. If your child has a mask, ensure the eye holes are large enough for them to see clearly.

- Smoke Alarms: This is a great time to make sure your smoke alarms are in working order.

- Exits: Exits are NOT an appropriate place for decorations. When decorating, ensure that nothing is blocking escape routes, including doors and windows.

Visit the NFPA Halloween safety page for more resources of how to stay safe. For more Halloween fire safety for kids and families, visit www.sparkyschoolhouse.org and www.sparky.org.

Zaida / CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Zaida currently serves as the Executive Director of chica project, a nonprofit that empowers young Women of Color. She also serves on the Board of Trustees at the Margarita Muñiz Academy. Prior to that, she worked with Chelsea High School students helping them obtain college credit through Bunker Hill Community College’s Early College and Dual Enrollment Program.

“Zaida is a mother, a leader, an education professional, and deeply knows the Chelsea community,” says Roberto Jimenez-Rivera, outgoing At-Large School Committee member. “I am so happy she’s running, and I enthusiastically endorse her campaign. With Zaida there, the Chelsea School Committee will be able to continue the good work that we’ve been doing over the last several years, and branch out into new areas of improvement and problem-solving too.”

Zaida’s motivation to run for School Committee is partly her own 4-year-old daughter, who attends pre-K in Chelsea Public Schools at the

Early Learning Center. But Zaida has been an involved community member for decades, going back to her time working with Chelsea youth at ROCA. Zaida believes her life experiences plus her professional credentials equip her to serve on the School Committee—from being a young immigrant, growing up as a working-class Chelsea Public Schools student, to a strong female leader with a master’s degree in education who is raising her daughter in the community that raised her.

“I want to be the voice of students, parents, teachers and administrators to help improve the Chelsea school system so that this community can thrive together,” says Zaida. “As your School Committee member, my priorities will be to improve the student experience from pre-K to high school, including raising graduation rates; increasing social and emotional services for all students; and bringing the community together to make our school system better.”

Zaida lives with her husband Anton and her

daughter Luna on Heard Street.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Case No. 2023-27

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m.

With reference to the application of: 19 High Street Development LLC For Special Permit and Variance seeking approval for the demolition of a single-family home and a two-family home on two separate lots and build two (2) new two-family dwelling structures. Lot A – 21 High Street fails to meet the minimum requirements for rear yard setback, front yard setback, and side yard setback, and proposed parking spaces do not meet required setback dimensions as they are located both within the required front yard setback and within 5 feet of a side property line. Lot B – 19 High Street fails to meet the minimum requirements for lot size, rear yard setback, front yard setback, side yard setback, combined yard setback, and usable open space

at the premises known as: 19-21 High Street A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 10/19/23, 10/26/23

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NOTICE

In accordance with Section 6-3 (b) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission held on October 3, 2023, the Commission voted to approve the following regulations: To add a restrictive lane on Everett Avenue, southbound between Arlington Street and the Route 1 on-ramp, between 5:00am – 10:00am Monday through Friday. To reverse the direction of the traffic on Chestnut Street, from Fourth to Third Street, for a six (6) month trial period. To post a handicap sign at 137 Shawmut Street. To post a handicap sign at 89 Blossom Street. To extend the restrictions on left turns from Pearl to Park Street by fifteen (15)

minutes each afternoon, from 2:00pm – 3:00pm to 2:00pm – 3:15pm. Jeannette Cintron White Parking Clerk 10/26/23

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF HEARING
Case No. 2023-25

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Andrew Haddad For Special Permit and Variance seeking approval for the conversion of an existing first floor commercial unit into a residential unit that does not meet the minimum lot size area for a non-conforming building at the premises known as: 100 Captain's Row A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. –

Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 10/19/23, 10/26/23

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF HEARING
Case No. 2023-26

In accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A, a public hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held at Council Chambers, City Hall, 500 Broadway Tuesday, November 28, 2023, 6:00 PM for the Petition submitted by Federal Realty OP LP for Major Site Plan Review seeking approval for the construction of a twenty-five (2,500) square feet coffee shop with drive-through services at the premises known as: 1100 Revere Beach Parkway All interested parties are encouraged to attend. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 10/19/23, 10/26/23

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Case No. 2023-28

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Mikael R. Vienneau, Broadway Capital Development LLC For Special Permit and Variance seeking approval for the demolition of an existing structure, combine all lots, convert from a wholesale business and storage use to Residential Dwellings containing seven or more units to construct twenty (20) residential units which does not meet the minimum requirements for parking spaces, lot size, rear yard setback, side yard setback, parking lot aisle width, front yard setback, open space and maximum lot coverage at the premises known as: 146, 150, 156 Williams Street & 65 Pine Street A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 10/19/23, 10/26/23

other exhibits attached to the Motion, the Court finds good cause to grant said Motion. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED: That Plaintiff/Wife shall be allowed to serve Defendant/Husband by Publication in a newspaper of general circulation in Suffolk County, Massachusetts for a period of four consecutive weeks, following which Defendant shall have thirty days to file an Answer. ENTER this 18th day of August, 2023. Hon. Darrell Scarlett CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 10/12/23, 10/19/23, 10/26/23, 11/2/23

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate And Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION G.L. c. 210, ? 6 Docket No. SU23A0634AD In the matter of: Christopher Josue Hernandez Pleites To: any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth. A petition has been presented to said court by: Carlos J. Ramos Contreras of Chelsea, MA and Lilian Yoeselin Ramos of Chelsea, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Christopher Josue Ramos Pleites If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms. IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: Woburn ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 A.M.) ON: 12/01/2023 WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 2, 2023 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate 10/12/23, 10/19/23, 10/26/23

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE Docket No.: 80294 ZULMA LORENA YOXON CARRERA, Plaintiff/Wife V. CARLOS ARMANDO CHUMIL GALINDO, Defendant/Husband ORDER ALLOWING SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

This cause came to be heard on the 18th day of August, 2023 on Plaintiff's Motion for Service by Publication. Present for the hearing was Timothy Gudmundson, Attorney for Plaintiff/Wife. Not present for the hearing was the Defendant/Husband. Upon statements by counsel, his sworn Affidavit of Diligent Search and

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Division 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU23P2251EA Estate of: Gaetano Soriano Date of Death: 08/28/2023 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Phyllis M. Fusco of Salem, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Phyllis M. Fusco of Salem, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/01/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 20, 2023 Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate 10/26/23

LEGAL NOTICE



Chelsea Planning Board Public Hearing In accordance with MGL Ch. 40A, Section 5, the Chelsea Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, 6:00 PM Chelsea City Council Chambers, Third Floor, 500 Broadway, to discuss a proposed amendment to the Chelsea Zoning Ordinance Section which would repeal Section 34-158(c)(2) which reads "Marijuana Retailers are prohibited from operating between the hours of 9 PM and 9 AM." A copy of the proposed amendment is available for inspection in the City Clerk's office, Chelsea City Hall, Chelsea, MA, during City Hall business hours. Tuck Willis Chair 10/19/23, 10/26/23

LEGAL NOTICE



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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket No. 23 SM 003744 ORDER OF NOTICE TO:

Domenic Sciacca Elizabeth Sciacca and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (et seq) U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Owner Trustee for Legacy Mortgage Asset Trust 2020-G55 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Chelsea, numbered 172 Spencer Avenue, given by Domenic Sciacca and Elizabeth Sciacca to Household Finance Corporation II, dated January 27, 2004, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 33719, Page 216, as affected by Loan Modification Agreement dated February 5, 2020 and recorded with said Registry in Book 62576, Page 22, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 11/20/2023 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 10/5/2023 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder 10/26/23

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LEGAL NOTICE
COMBINED NOTICE OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
October 26, 2023

Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300
Boston, Massachusetts 02114

North Suburban HOME Consortium
c/o Malden Redevelopment Authority
215 Pleasant Street, Third Floor
Malden, Massachusetts 02148

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) and the Malden Redevelopment Authority (MRA), as agent for and representative member of, the North Suburban HOME Consortium.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about November 11, 2023 EOHLC and the MRA will submit separate requests to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the following funds, Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) funds under Section 8, The Housing Act of 1937, as amended, HOME Program Funds (HOME) available through the HOME Investment Partnerships Act, under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 12701 et. Seq. as amended, HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) available through funds appropriated under section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) as amended, to undertake a project to be known as 170 Cottage Street located at 170 Cottage Street in Chelsea, MA. The project involves the new construction of 66 affordable family rental housing units. The project anticipates \$1,000,000 in North Suburban Consortium HOME funds, \$700,000 in HOME-ARP funds. Additional public funding anticipated includes state Affordable Housing Trust Funds, Housing Innovation Funds, ARPA-Supportive Housing, Chelsea CDBG and ARPA, Community Based Housing Funds, Massachusetts project-based vouchers, and State and Federal Low-income housing tax credits. The project sponsor is The Neighborhood Developers, and the total estimated project cost is \$47,000,000.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Both agencies have determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) and is available upon request at the MRA, Malden City Hall, 215 Pleasant Street, Third Floor, Malden, MA 02148 or online at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-reco rds/ or at EOHLC, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114 and may be examined or copied during normal business hours; MRA: Mon, Wed, and Thurs 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Tues. 8:00 AM–7:00 PM or at EOHLC: Mon-Fri 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on this activity may submit written comments to EOHLC or to the MRA at the respective addresses indicated above. All comments received by November 10, 2023 will be considered by these agencies prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice and proposed project they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

EOHLC certifies to HUD that Catherine Racer in her capacity as Certifying Officer, and the MRA certifies to HUD that Gary Christenson in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Malden, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows both agencies to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Commonwealth of Mass. certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Commonwealth of MA; (b) the Commonwealth of MA have omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted via email to CPDRROFBOS@hud.gov in accordance with the required procedures

(24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to the Environmental Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Boston, MA. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Gary Christenson, Mayor, City of Malden, MA
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NORTH SUFFOLK COMMUNITY SERVICES 64TH ANNIVERSARY

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North Suffolk Community Services (NSCS), a non-profit organization that provides behavior health, substance use disorder, and developmental disability services for all ages, held a 64th Anniversary Connection Celebration to highlight mental health in the workplace on October 19 at the Hyatt Regency Boston Harbor. Three advocates were honored for their efforts in dismantling behavioral health stigma and creating welcoming workplace atmospheres: Rosalin Acosta, former Massachusetts



Carl Mills, Managing Partner, and Tom Walter, Senior Development Analyst.



Tom Ambrosino, Board Member, and Katie O'Leary, Director of Recovery.

Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, and Managing Director of Ernst & Young; author and educator, Doctor Donna Hicks, Weatherhead Cen-

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