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Guests gathering in the Governor Bellingham-Cary House for the Scarlet Soirée on November 4.

## GBCH HOLDS SCARLETT SOIRÉE

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The Governor Bellingham-Cary House (GBCH) was illuminated in red during the first annual Scarlett Soirée on November 4. The evening's theme celebrated the appearance of Massachusetts Governor Richard Bellingham in Nathaniel Hawthorne's 1850 romance, "The Scarlett Letter."

"We decided to incorporate the story into our annual fundraising event in a nod to Governor Bellingham's inclusion in a novel that has been read by hundreds of millions of people worldwide; as well as his connection to the history of Massachusetts," explained Matt Frank, Governor Bellingham-Cary House Association trustee.

Governor Bellingham was one of the first investors in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and took office in 1641, until his passing in 1672. Hawthorne mentioned him as an authority figure in his fictional book, set in 17th century Boston, where Governor Bellingham owned a home

on what is now Tremont Street. The interior residence was described by Hawthorne during a pivotal scene in which protagonist, Hester — who bore the "A" patch on her cloth-



Best dressed winners, Christopher and Danielle Brown, with their gift basket.

ing to signify herself as an adulterer -- pleads with Governor Bellingham to intervene in the custody of her daughter, Pearl.

Attendees of The Scarlett Soirée were seen in formal attire, including a man in a top hat and a woman in a red dress.

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## CHS Performing Arts students pay tribute to Chelsea Veterans through music, song

Special to the Record

Last week, Performing Arts students from Chelsea High School showed their appreciation for local veterans by performing at two annual Veterans Day events in the City of Chelsea. The CHS Cantare, Concert Band and Orchestra played at a ceremony at the Veterans Home in Chelsea as well as the city's Veterans Day celebration, using their musical talents to honor and celebrate Veterans Day.

The performances began on Thursday, November 9, at the Veterans Home where three performing arts groups participated. Performances included renditions of the Star-Spangled Banner by the Concert Band and Cantare, Bring Us Peace by the Cantare, Momentous by the Orchestra, Caprice by the Concert Band

and the U.S. Armed Forces Medley by the Concert Band and Cantare.

The playing of the Armed Forces Medley was a powerful moment as attendees who served in the different branches of the armed forces stood while their service song was played.

Cantare students also sang at the City of Chelsea's Veterans Day event

at the Chelsea Senior Center last Friday morning. Students sang the Star-Spangled Banner and closed the event with a performance of the U.S. Armed Forces Medley. Students also recited the Governors' Proclamation and conducted a reading about the Missing Man Table.



The CHS Cantare under the direction of Michael Bednarsky. See pages 5 and 6 for more Veteran's Day photos.

## Tax Shift

Property owners expected to see modest increases in FY24 tax bills

By Adam Swift

Homeowners in Chelsea can expect to see a modest increase in their property tax bills next year.

The City Council held a subcommittee on conference meeting on the Fiscal Year 2024 tax rate on Monday night and heard a presentation from City Manager Ned Keefe.

The council is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the tax classification at its Dec. 4 meeting before taking a vote on the commercial/industrial tax rate shift and on a residential exemption.

Keefe is recommending that the council once again

approve a 175 percent shift to the commercial/industrial tax rate.

Under that shift, commercial and industrial property owners pay a higher property tax rate, taking the burden off of personal property owners.

Keefe is also recommending that the council once again vote on a 35 percent residential exemption, which is the maximum that is allowed under state law. The city manager said that shift would save the average homeowner about \$3,000 in property taxes for FY24.

In addition, Keefe noted

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## Vega addresses marijuana license questions

By Adam Swift

Gladys Vega appeared before the Licensing Commission last week to address concerns about the future of a recreational marijuana establishment proposed for 320 Revere Beach Parkway.

Vega, the executive director of La Colaborativa, is one of the principles of Vida Verde, which was granted a retail marijuana establishment license by the commission earlier this year.

"There have been a lot of questions because of a 'for lease' sign going up on the building," said Licensing Commission Chair Marnie MacAlpine. "We wanted to see where

things stand, since we do have other applicants who are looking for licenses, as well."

Vega said she was just as surprised as anyone when she recently saw the for lease sign on the building at 320 Revere Beach Parkway.

However, Vega said the issue does stem from ongoing financial considerations for the Vida Verde dispensary.

Vega said the building owner put up the sign because Vida Verde is still going through the financing process, having been hit with the potential for increased costs because of

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## Veterans' Home hearing continues

By Adam Swift

The ZBA continued the public hearing on the public-private Veterans' Home in Chelsea redevelopment project at its meeting on Tuesday night.

"The Board was not expected to have the minimum number of members required to vote on the matter," stated John DePriest, the city's land use planning director. "Any vote on a Special Permit requires at least four votes to pass, and at the time the Board was expected to have only three members eligible to vote on the matter. One member was not at the first meeting at which the case was discussed, so could not participate in the case. Another member was absent,

and a third was expected to have to leave early, before a vote was taken."

That would have left only three members able to vote on the case, according to DePriest.

The Veterans' Home in Chelsea received a positive recommendation on the special permit from the Planning Board last month.

However, there are some city officials and residents who live near the site of what has long been known as the Soldiers' Home who have concerns about the scope and specifics of the project, including City Council President Leo Robinson.

There will be 241 units throughout the redevelopment.

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CITY PAWS

Boredom can be dangerous

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We’re sure you’ve heard the old saw that a tired dog is a good dog. There is a corollary that a bored dog can be a dangerous dog. Many of our canine companions were bred to do a job, a specific task that humans needed help in doing.

That job could be herding sheep, pulling carts, tracking prey, retrieving birds, killing vermin, or guarding animals or a home. Even lap dogs are refined along the way to be excellent companions to people. Since some of these traits are innate and strong, your dog may need a way to compensate and use that drive.

Animal behaviorist Patricia B. McConnell, Ph.D., CAAB Emeritus, in a recent “Other End of the Leash” column, answered the question “Do Dogs Need A Job?” She replied, “... dogs don’t necessarily need to accomplish a task. I think the standard advice is trying to say that dogs need mental exercise as much as physical exertion. That dogs can get bored, and boredom often creates behavioral problems like chewing on TV remotes, incessant barking, or somewhere, someday, a late-night order on QVC by a standard poodle.”

**Is Your Dog Bored?**  
You should be alert for

commonly recognized signs of boredom in dogs. Destructive chewing, licking, or scratching can indicate a bored dog. However, there may be other reasons for this behavior, like separation anxiety, allergies, or other medical issues that call for a visit to the veterinarian.

Barking out windows, at a television, or computer screen can be related to boredom. Since it is troublesome to you and your neighbors, you need to use training, alternative activities, or taking away temptations to address the behavior.

When we leave Poppy alone, we confine her to a comfortable room with the window blinds down and music masking any sounds she might hear. When we are at home with her, we’ve tried another McConnell tip of addressing her in a calm, quiet voice and asking her to do something like, “Hush!” “Come to me!” or “Go to your quiet spot!” She receives random treats for quieting herself successfully. We’ve learned that yelling makes the barking worse.

Stealing things and escaping are two of the most dangerous things bored dogs can do. Grabbing your sock can be a way for the dog to engage you in a game of chase. However, playing with or chewing on the wrong object can

lead to surgery if some of the item is destroyed and swallowed. There is no need to explain the dangers of a dog that escapes your home or yard.

**Ways to Avoid Boredom**  
McConnell suggests that you “Take Your Dog on a Sniff” instead of just a walk. “I’ve gone on record, as have many others, that a primary need of dogs is to use the sense of smell, often more than we let them.”

With a noise-averse dog, we always rejoice when our Poppy pauses to sniff on a walk. It means that she is relaxed a bit and enjoying the outside world for a few moments. She will sniff more often when we walk in unfamiliar places like a beach or a quiet park.

Exercise, training, and mental stimulation are ways to burn off the excess canine energy that causes unwanted behavior. More walks, interactive toys, and sometimes leaving a television on for the dog to watch can help.

It may take some work to keep your dog from being bored out of his mind, but the reward for you will be less destruction and unwanted behavior.

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

La Colaborativa Receives Funding from Project Bread’s “Pathways to Change”

La Colaborativa has been awarded \$6,500 to support projects centered around community engagement and dialogues. The “Pathways to Change” grant program, launched by Project Bread in 2023, creates opportunities to connect and to elevate community and individual voices, expertise, and strengths. This year, five organizations were awarded a one-time investment of \$6,500 to fund projects that aim to develop community leadership and advocacy, address barriers to implementing and utilizing federal programs, and provide opportunities to discuss and dismantle the stigma of food insecurity.

La Colaborativa reaches the community through an active three step process: Survival, Stability and Empowerment. After decades of working within the community, it was the pandemic that spotlighted the truth that could no longer be hidden: our people are not okay, and they need proper assistance, understanding and representation. To address that process, La Colaborativa established a triage department; economic development department; a food pantry that has, over the last three years, become a pillar to the Chelsea community; a youth program working directly with Chelsea youth ages 14-21 years old; and a policy and organization department

to uplift everyone who walks through their doors.

Project Bread is the leading statewide anti-hunger organization in Massachusetts. The non-profit engages residents, elected officials, and businesses to act against hunger so everyone in the Commonwealth has reliable access to food. Through this \$6,500 grant, Project Bread aims to support applicants, like La Colaborativa, that develop spaces for community conversations and engagement around food access that will strengthen relationships, support each other, and achieve positive social change.

“Investing in local communities is an essential way to make a lasting impact” says Adriana Mendes-Sheldon, Director of Community Partnerships at Project Bread. “We believe in the power of community-led solutions. Our local partners and residents are the real experts in addressing challenges and meeting their unique needs. Consequently, we invest in communities to leverage their resources and strengths with Project Bread’s own resources and strengths. I’m excited to witness the innovative and transformative projects that arise from this opportunity and to see the progress it creates in the fight against food insecurity.”

The 2024 “Pathways

to Change” community investment program received multiple entries in the communities of Chelsea, Lawrence, Springfield, Fall River and Southbridge. Project Bread has issued awards to five nonprofits, grassroots organizations, community organizers, residents, faith organizations, artists, after-school programs and other non-traditional groups to fund local projects.

“We thank Project Bread for this generous donation,” says Gladys Vega, Executive Director of La Colaborativa. “We are using these funds to support the salary of our drivers. Every Thursday our food pantry hand delivers boxes of food for those with COVID or disabilities. Being able to deliver food via these drivers allows us to maximize food rescue around Greater Boston and increase the pounds of fruits and vegetables consumed, positively impacting food equity in our surrounding areas.”

People experiencing food insecurity should call into Project Bread’s toll-free FoodSource Hotline (1-800-645-8333), which provides confidential assistance to connect with food resources, including SNAP benefits, in 180 languages and for the hearing impaired. For more information, visit: [www.projectbread.org/get-help](http://www.projectbread.org/get-help).



You may not think of the Great Pyrenees as a sheepdog, but they have protected herds like this for centuries. (Photo by Federica Giusti)

MS-13 member charged for alleged role in 2010 murder in Chelsea

Staff Report

A member of the transnational criminal organization known as La Mara Salvatrucha, or MS-13, has been arrested on RICO charges in connection with the murder of an Allston man under a Chelsea bridge in December 2010.

Adam Rodriguez, a/k/a “Pelon,” 33, was charged in a superseding indictment with conspiracy to participate in a racketeering enterprise, more commonly referred to as RICO or racketeering conspiracy. Rodriguez was arrested on Wednesday, Nov. 8 and, following an initial appearance in federal court in Boston, was detained pending a hearing that was scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 16.

According to the charging document, MS-13 is a transnational criminal organization with tens of thousands of members located in the United States, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and elsewhere. MS-13 branches, or “cliques,” operate throughout the United States, including in Massachusetts. In furtherance of its mission, MS-13 members are required to commit acts of violence, specifically against rival gang members; kill informants; and support

and defend fellow MS-13 members in attacks. MS-13 rewards members who commit acts of violence with promotions within the gang and punishes members who break gang rules.

The superseding indictment alleges that, on Dec. 18, 2010, Rodriguez and other members of MS-13 murdered an Allston man under a bridge in Chelsea. It is alleged that law enforcement recently matched Rodriguez’s voice to a Jan. 26, 2011 recording of an MS-13 meeting in which he acknowledged his participation in the murder. Also on the recording, Rodriguez was allegedly beaten for 13 seconds by other members of MS-13 for leaving Massachusetts after the murder without the gang’s permission. The superseding indictment further alleges that Rodriguez committed other attempted murders with members of MS-13 following the December 2010 murder.

The superseding indictment also charges William Pineda Portillo, a/k/a “Humilde,” 30, with RICO conspiracy. Pineda Portillo was originally indicted in 2017. After an arrest warrant was issued for Pineda Portillo, law enforcement determined that he had been deported to El

Salvador under a different name.

Pineda Portillo was arrested in May 2022 on the outstanding warrant and returned to Boston after he was allegedly encountered crossing the border into Texas.

A subsequent investigation determined that a car owned by Pineda Portillo’s father was allegedly used to transport Rodriguez, other MS-13 members and the victim to the scene of the December 2010 murder in Chelsea. Pineda Portillo also allegedly worked to sell a firearm to someone he believed was a fellow MS-13 member, but who was instead a cooperating witness working with law enforcement. It is further alleged that Pineda Portillo conspired to murder an MS-13 member he believed was an informant. Pineda Portillo remains in custody awaiting trial.

The charge of RICO conspiracy provides for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and statutes which govern the determination of a sentence in a criminal case.

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rising interest rates.

She said she has talked to the owner and asked that her corporation be given to the first week of February to figure out financing to determine the project’s future. Vega noted that she has also been focused on completing a major building project at La Colaborativa.

“We are working in terms of the blueprint, but the interest rates are killing us and we have to figure out if this is what we want to do,” said Vega. “With all honesty, the cannabis business was

overblown with hope, and we all found out that it’s not really that real.”

The Vida Verde license was one of three retail licenses approved by the commission in the spring, joining three existing licenses in the city.

“Obviously, this is all a process, but we want to make sure, since there are other groups that are looking, that we don’t hold things up if people aren’t moving forward,” said MacAlpine.

Commission member and Inspectional Services Director Mike McAteer

noted that one of the other three licenses approved around the same time as Vida Verde recently received its occupancy permit, with the second close to receiving its occupancy permit.

Vega noted that Vida Verde has been granted a provisional license from the state’s cannabis commission.

“At this point, we just continue to wait and see what happens,” said MacAlpine, who asked Vega to keep the commission updated on the progress of the Vida Verde operation.

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# Licensing Commission takes up video issues

By Adam Swift

Over the past several months, the Licensing Commission has been faced with more issues concerning working surveillance cameras for licensees than it has complaints about over-serving or rowdy behavior at local establishments.

At last week’s monthly meeting, the commission called for a conference with the Hampton Inn on Second Street regarding a camera issue, and held a disciplinary hearing for a past camera issue at La Esquina Mariachi Restaurant at 170 Washington Ave.

Under the city ordinance, establishments with liquor licenses must have a working video camera system that can archive 30 days worth of video.

The commission voted to close the public hearing and not dole out any disciplinary action for La Esquina Mariachi.

The hearing stemmed from an incident earlier this fall when the police requested video from the restaurant to investigate a potential crime in the area.

However, according to police, the restaurant was not able to provide the needed video in a timely manner.

Representatives for La Esquina Mariachi noted that there may have been a language barrier issue with the initial request.

They added that they corrected the issues with the camera system and that the police department has inspected it.

The restaurant has not been before the Licensing Commission for other issues, according to Chair Marnie MacAlpine.

“Seeing as this is the first time being before us and they appear to have reacted quickly to make sure they fixed things, I don’t see a reason for this to go any further,” said MacAlpine.

The incident at the Hampton Inn fell into more of a gray area, with the commission requesting representatives come before it for a conference.

Once again, the issue revolved around a video surveillance issue, with police claiming that they requested video from the hotel regarding a police investigation. In this case, the hotel requested a subpoena for the video, according to police.

However, assistant city solicitor Peter Christopher noted that while the Licensing Commission approved a beer and wine license for the hotel last month, the hotel has not officially received the license from the state.

With the liquor license not in hand, Christopher said the hotel did not technically fall under the ordinance requiring the video surveillance.

However, several commission members were

not pleased that the hotel did not cooperate with police less than two weeks after being granted a beer and wine license.

“This is completely disrespectful to this commission,” said member Emily Cherniack.

Commission member Mike McAteer asked if there was any way the commission could go back and rescind the approval for the beer and wine license.

Christopher cautioned against taking too drastic of an action, given the current status of the license.

“However, I think it is within your power to potentially call them about the issue and notify them that ... in the spirit of what we are trying to do, that if they were a licensed establishment, (they would be expected) to have the video turned over,” said Christopher.

The commission agreed to call the Hampton Inn for a conference.

MacAlpine noted that the commission has faced a number of issues with businesses and licensees lately concerning video surveillance.

“This protects the business owners, it protects our residents, and it helps our police department do their job and hopefully to take prompt action to prosecute people who are doing things improperly in our community,” said MacAlpine.

# GARCIA HOSTS CONSTITUENT OFFICE HOURS AT CHELSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Rep. Judith Garcia is pleased to announce a series of constituent office hours, beginning with a session at the Chelsea Public Library on Monday, November 13th, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. This initiative aims to provide an accessible and convenient platform for constituents to engage with their representative and address their concerns.

Rep. Garcia, a dedicated public servant, believes in the importance of bringing government directly to the people. The Chelsea Public Library event marks the third event in a series of outreach efforts

throughout Chelsea and Everett.

“I am excited to meet with constituents face-to-face and listen to their concerns, ideas, and feedback. By hosting office hours in various locations, I hope to make government more accessible and responsive to the needs of our community,” said Representative Garcia.

Following the Chelsea Public Library event, Representative Garcia’s next stop will be at the Chelsea Senior Center on Thursday, November 16th, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. This ongoing series of office hours underscores her commitment to reaching

constituents in various neighborhoods.

Details of the upcoming event at Chelsea Senior Center:

Date: Thursday, November 16

Time: 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Chelsea Senior Center

All constituents are encouraged to attend these events, share their thoughts, and connect with Representative Garcia. By actively engaging with the community, Representative Garcia aims to better understand the diverse needs of the district and work collaboratively to address them.



Rep. Judith Garcia, Legislative Aide Taylor Sprague, Katherine Palencia Children’s Librarian, and Library Director Lisa Mucciarone.

# City Council and School Committee seeking Northeast Metro Tech School Committee member

Staff Report

The Chelsea City Council and School Committee are seeking interested candidates to fill a vacancy on the Northeast Metro Regional Vocational School Committee, following the resignation of Michael Wall.

The selected candidate will serve until the next biennial state election in 2024.

The committee is composed of members from all feeder communities of Northeast Metro Regional Vocational High School. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, except during the month of July.

Interested candidates must submit a letter of interest and resume to the

City Council Office by Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 4 p.m. Documentation may be sent by email to the Clerk to the City Council Clifford Cunningham at ccunningham@chelsea-ma.gov

The City Council and School Committee will conduct interviews and take a formal vote to select a candidate for appointment on Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Chelsea City Hall.

To qualify, a candidate must be a resident of the City of Chelsea, meet any other applicable requirements under the Charter and Massachusetts General Law, and submit to and pass a CORI background check.

The Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational High School, located in Wakefield, and also known as “Northeast Metro Tech” (NEMT), is a grades 9-12 comprehensive vocational and technical high school that provides academic and vocational programs for approximately 1,250 students from twelve surrounding communities: Chelsea, Malden, Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Revere, Saugus, Stoneham, Wakefield, Winchester, Winthrop and Woburn.

About 240 Chelsea students attend Northeast Metro Tech, second only to Revere in the communities that send students to the school.

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oped property, and representatives of the developer, Pennrose, 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.

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 plans on 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 com-

munity building, and a new building on the east parcel at the corner of Hillside and Crest Avenue.

Questions raised by some officials and neighbors concern traffic and parking, the lack of green space, and the level of service the veterans will receive once Pennrose takes over management of the development.

In other business on Tuesday night, the ZBA opened a public hearing on a new 2,500-square-foot drive-through restaurant at the shopping plaza at 1100 Revere Beach Parkway.

The restaurant is expected to be a Starbucks, according to Anthony Rossi, the attorney representing the applicants.

Rossi noted that there will be more landscaping and greenspace in the

shopping center as a result of the proposal, and that it would be a benefit for the area.

The case will be before the Planning Board for a recommendation and site plan review later this month, then back to the ZBA in December for the special permit. The ZBA vote on the special permit only extends to the drive through, since a restaurant is allowed by right on the property.

The ZBA also opened a public hearing on a special permit for a proposed new tattoo shop at 179 Washington Ave.

That proposal will also be before the Planning Board later this month and the ZBA for a potential vote in December.

# Taxes / CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

that there are exemptions in place for older residents, as well as an income-restricted grant program for people who may need help paying their taxes.

If the council approves the tax shift and the residential exemption, Keefe estimated the residential property tax rate for FY24 would come in at \$11.83 per \$1,000 of valuation, and the commercial/industrial tax rate would be \$24.01 per \$1,000 of valuation.

While both those rates are lower than the FY23 rates, the average tax bill will increase for most of the average residential taxpayers because of the increased valuations of property.

The values of single-family homes have gone up by 11.2 percent, condos are up by 6.2 percent, two-family home

values are up by 7.4 percent, three-family homes are up by 8.6 percent, and apartments with four or more units are up in value by 8.9 percent. In addition, the value of commercial properties is up by 8.3 percent and industrial properties are up by 17.8 percent.

What that means for the actual tax bills is that the average tax bill for single-family homes will be up by \$212, two-family homes will be up by \$103, and three-family owner occupied homes will see an average increase of \$243 in the property tax bill.

Condominiums are the one classification where the average bill is expected to drop, with a savings of about \$44 according to Keefe.

“Values have increased here and tax rates have

dropped,” said Keefe. “But with the exemption and the tax shift, the annual change is a modest increase in each of these classes.”

District 1 Councillor Todd Taylor asked how Chelsea stacked up to other communities in the state when it comes to offering exemptions and other tax breaks for residential property owners.

Keefe noted that there are only 13 other communities in Massachusetts that offer the residential exemption, and not all of those are at the maximum rate of 35 percent.

“My point is we are doing pretty much all we can do in this respect for helping our residents pay their tax bills and make it easier on them,” said Taylor. “This is unique in municipalities across the Commonwealth.”

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REMEMBERING PRESIDENT

JOHN F. KENNEDY

The assassination of President John F. Kennedy 60 years ago this week seared an indelible imprint into the memory of every American who was alive at that time. Just as the Japanese sneak attack on Pearl Harbor on December 5, 1941, had been to an older generation and the terrorist attacks on the twin towers on 9/11 of 2001 has been for today’s younger generations, every American can recall where they were and the shock they felt when they first heard the news that President Kennedy had been shot while on his motorcade in Dallas, Texas in the early afternoon of November 22, 1963.

We were in our fourth grade classroom at Our Lady of Grace School in Chelsea-Everett when the principal interrupted class to make the mind-numbing announcement and release everybody from school immediately. Though we were only nine years old at the time, we knew instantly that something had changed, both in our own lives and for the country, and that the world never would be the same again.

When people think of the cultural changes that took place in the 1960s, they think of President Kennedy as emblematic of those changes. But the reality is that the ’60s of our popular culture really did not take place until after his assassination. America on November 22, 1963, still was very much as it had been for the previous decade during the Eisenhower years and through the three years of Kennedy’s presidency: We were at peace (though engaged in a Cold War) and we were prosperous, but the evolving rights of minorities, women, and gays still were very much under the national radar screen in a culture dominated by white males. It still would be a few years before the multitude of societal changes that would shape our personal lives and America -- and the world -- into what we know it today.

The assassination of President Kennedy was the first of four major political assassinations over the course of the next four and one-half years -- Malcolm X in 1965, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968, and culminating with that of Robert F. Kennedy, President Kennedy’s brother, in early June, 1968.

But in November, 1963, that wave of assassinations, as well as the violent and incendiary protests and riots that were to engulf our inner cities and college campuses from the mid-’60s through the mid-’70s, were not even remotely imaginable. In particular, the war in Vietnam, the catalyst for much of the nation’s decade of turmoil, still was a clandestine operation with only a few hundred American advisers in the field on behalf of the government of South Vietnam.

Was it just a coincidence that America, and indeed the world, underwent a transformation in the immediate aftermath of the Kennedy assassination? Or would all of these things have happened regardless of whether President Kennedy had been shot? Would Kennedy have escalated the war in Vietnam? And if not, might the violence that accompanied so many of the changes that occurred in the decade after his death have been averted if President Kennedy had been re-elected to a second term?

These and many other “what ifs” are questions that historians have been pondering in the decades since his death and will continue to do so.

But for those of us who lived through the Kennedy assassination, such issues were far from our minds in its immediate aftermath. Instead, we recall the shock, and then the deep sadness and despair, that was felt universally by all of us as we watched our black and white TV sets and grieved for his young widow and their two small children. John F. Kennedy’s assassination made us all realize the fragility of life and how everything we hold dear can change in an instant, both for ourselves and our loved ones, regardless of our station in life.

So as we think about the events of 60 years ago this week and contemplate how the assassination of John F. Kennedy profoundly affected the future direction not only of America and the world, but also each one of us — let us remember too, the effect that his loss had on his own family, who sacrificed so much on that terrible day in Dallas.

President Kennedy was only 46 years old when he was assassinated. His death brings to mind two phrases from literature, applicable both to Kennedy and the promise of America in that era.

The first is from the ancient Greeks, attributed to the historian Herodotus:

“Those whom the gods love, die young.”

The second is the final paragraph from Gray’s Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard:

Yet ah! Why should they know their fate?

Since sorrow never comes too late,

And happiness too swiftly flies.

Thought would destroy their paradise.

No more; where ignorance is bliss,

‘Tis folly to be wise.

Forum



Then-U.S. Senator John F. Kennedy and his wife Jacqueline hosted the leaders of the Massachusetts Democratic party at the Kennedy compound in Hyannis in 1956. Seated (left to right) are: State Representative James O’Dea from Lowell, who was the House Majority Whip; State Senator John E. Powers from South Boston, who was the Democratic floor leader and the future Senate President in 1959; and Jacqueline Kennedy. Standing (l-r) are Senator Albert Previte from Lawrence; Senator Maurice Donahue from Holyoke (who himself was elected Senate President in 1964 after Powers left the Senate); Senator John Gibney of Worcester, Mass. House Speaker Michael Skerry from Medford; John F. Kennedy; Senator Andrew P. Quigley, who represented Chelsea, Revere, Winthrop, and part of Everett; to Quigley’s left is Senator Elizabeth Stanton from Fitchburg; and behind Stanton is Senator Jim Hennigan from Jamaica Plain.

The Greater Boston Food Bank’s Chain

of Giving confronts sustained food insecurity

Special to the Independent

The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB), the largest hunger-relief organization in New England, held its 18th annual Chain of Giving event last week, a yearly tradition convening civic leaders and community members to spotlight and alleviate holiday food insecurity and kick off GBFB’s Hunger Free Holidays campaign.

“Food insecurity is a challenge that we all must come together to solve. Together, we can end the root causes of food insecurity and end hunger once and for all in Massachusetts,” said Governor Maura Healey. “I am grateful for the outstanding work The Greater Boston Food Bank does to assist our communities and for their partnership and commitment with our state.”

As GBFB aims to provide nutritious and culturally responsive food to families in need this holiday season, Governor Maura Healey, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and GBFB President and CEO Catherine D’Amato shared remarks on the urgency of addressing food

insecurity in the Bay State. Over 150 participants then passed nearly 1,000 turkeys from a delivery truck to GBFB’s freezer to donate to families in need. This represents only a portion of the 27,000 turkeys and other poultry options the nonprofit expects to distribute to pantries across Eastern Massachusetts throughout the holidays.

“Hunger is not an issue that anyone or any organization can tackle alone. We are working together with The Greater Boston Food Bank to help fund and provide resources to nearly 70 food pantries across the City, feeding nearly 50,000 people every month,” said Mayor Michelle Wu. “Boston is blessed to have so many incredible organizations fighting food insecurity and expanding food access across our neighborhoods.”

The event’s presenting sponsor was Affiliated Managers Group (AMG), and its lead sponsor was National Grid. State Representatives Brandy Fluker Oakley, Christopher Worrell, James Arena-DeRosa, John Moran, Kevin Honan, Rob Con-

salvo and Samantha Montaño; Commissioner for the Department of Transitional Assistance Jeff McCue, MDAR Commissioner Ashley Randalles, Deputy Commissioner Winton Pickoff, as well as other state and local officials joined the tradition, alongside the beloved mascots for the Red Sox, Patriots and Bruins.

The state of food insecurity in Massachusetts remains a stark reality for the 1.8 million individuals facing hunger this holiday season. GBFB’s average food pantry partners report a 12 percent increase in individuals served from 2022. The USDA found national food insecurity rates increased between 30-40 percent in 2022, echoing the trends revealed in GBFB’s annual study on the state of food

insecurity.

The report found that:

- 1 in 3 MA residents continue to face food insecurity
- Alarming child-level food insecurity
- Deep-rooted disparities in food access based on race, ethnicity, geography and sexual orientation

“We know Hunger is not an emergency – it’s a daily experience for too many of our neighbors across the Commonwealth,” said Catherine D’Amato, GBFB President and CEO. “The pandemic may be over, but unfortunately hunger remains, and hunger should not be business as usual. With your help we have the power to end it and this holiday season we are urging the public to help us, help others.”

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CHELSEA HOLDS VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

The City of Chelsea held its 2023 Veterans Day Program Nov. 11 recognizing local veterans who served the United States of America in military service.

Chelsea Veterans Officer and veteran Francisco Toro was the master of ceremonies for the event that was held at the Chelsea Senior Center.

City Council President Leo Robinson, a U.S. Army veteran, brought the greetings of the city and introduced his colleagues in government.

Congresswoman Ayana Pressley, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, and Rep. Judith Garcia were among the dignitaries in attendance.

Chelsea Police Sgt. Kyle Meehan, a U.S. Army veteran who served in Afghanistan, delivered an Inspiring keynote address about his experience in military service. Supt. of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta and Veronica Dyer-Medina, executive assistant to the superintendent and School Committee clerk, were key organizers of the program.

The CHS Choral Group, Cantare, under the leadership of music teacher and director Michael Bednarsky, performed during the program.

Special gratitude was extended to Interim City Manager Ned Keefe for his role in overseeing the event.



City Council President Leo Robinson brings the official greetings of the city at the Veterans Day Program.



State Sen. Sal DiDomenico took the time at the Veterans Day Program to congratulate Melinda Vega (left) and Tanairi Garcia (second from right) on their re-election to their positions on the City Council, and School Committee Chair Kelly Garcia (right) on her election to a councilor-at-large seat in the Nov. 7 municipal election.



Chelsea Emergency Management Director Steve Staffier, newly appointed Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez, and the program's keynote speaker, Chelsea Police Sgt. Kyle Meehan, a U.S. Army veteran who served in Afghanistan.



Newly appointed Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez, Director of Elder Affairs Tracey Nowicki, former city councilor Stanley Troisi, Senior Center Office Manager Deborah Connors, Chelsea Housing Authority Executive Director Paul Nowicki, and Chelsea Police Capt. David Rizzuto.



Chelsea Veterans Officer Francisco Toro and his daughter, Estelle Toro, welcome Supt. of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta and Interim City Manager Ned Keefe to the Veterans Day Program.



Pictured at the Chelsea Veterans Day Program held at the Chelsea Senior Center, are, from left, Police Capt. David Rizzuto, newly appointed City Manager Fidel Maltez, School Committee Chair Kelly Garcia, State Rep. Judith Garcia, City Councilor-Elect Lisa Santagate (back), City Councilor Melinda Vega, Congresswoman Ayana Pressley, City Councilor Enio Lopez, City Councilor Todd Taylor, City Councilor Giovanni Recupero, Council President Leo Robinson, State Sen. Sal DiDomenico, and City Councilor Tanairi Garcia.



Chelsea resident and Past DAVA Commander Becky Swope (center) welcomes Post 296 Historian Sandra Means and Post 296 Commander Neysa Bright to the Chelsea Veterans Day Program.

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Boston Public School Students Win Nally Award

Each year, GBFB honors outstanding young people who have championed hunger-relief in their communities with the Nally Award. Established in 2006, the award is named after Danny and Betsy Nally, who at ages 8 and 6, started their very first turkey drive for GBFB. This year's Nally Award winners are Ita Berg, Niamh Govender, and Laura Nguyen, three exceptional Boston Latin High School students that are making a difference here in our community. Last year as sophomores, they took their love of baking cookies and turned

it into a fundraiser for GBFB called "Cookies for a Cause" which raised over \$1,000.

Boston Mayor Wu presented the Nally award to the Boston Latin students alongside their teacher, Mr. Andrew Zou. In her remarks she noted these students realized that they didn't need the money that they were making as much as other people might, and so with the help of their teacher, they decided to donate it to The Greater Boston Food Bank. The students have set up their own peer-to-peer fundraising webpage to support their upcoming holiday bake sale.

To learn more about The Greater Boston Food

Bank or to play a role in their annual Hunger Free Holidays campaign visit GBFB.org/holidays,



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VETERAN’S DAY SERVICES AT THE CHELSEA SOLDIERS HOME

Last Thursday morning the staff and residents at the Chelsea Soldiers Home welcomed guests at St. Michael the Archangel Chapel. Guests included, Massachusetts Secretary of Veteran’s Services, Jon Santiago, US Army, the

Chelsea High School Concert Band, Orchestra, and Choir. The CHS student performed several selections during the ceremony. Blessing from Father Joseph White and Reverend Dr. Sandra Whitley.



Past National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans Harvey Weiner, Marc Silvestri US Army, Past National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans and Trustee Ira Novoselsky, and Winthrop Veteran’s Service Officer Phil Ronan.



Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. Jon Santiago with Chelsea Police Chief Keith Houghton.



Anthony Mafale with Superintendent Robert Engell.



Veteran Dave Smith and CPD Captain David Rizzuto.



Ombuds person Marc Silvestri (3rd from left), with Ted Kobialka US Navy, Donna Blattenberger, American Legion Aux., and Frank Ellis US Navy.



Secretary of Veteran’s Affairs Dr. Jon Santiago (3rd from left), shown with Trustee and guest speaker Ira Novoselsky, Superintendent Robert Engell, Marc Silvestri, Phil Ronan, and Trustee Dawn Slaven.



Guest speakers and clergy, from left: Mike Russo, John Dod, Father Joseph White, Reverend Emmanuel Imani, Trustee Dawn Slaven, Superintendent Robert Engell, Secretary Dr. Jon Santiago, Rev. Dr. Sandra Whitley, Trustee Ira Novoselsky.



CPD Honor Guard, from left: Joe Santiago, Det. Richard Laft, Dan Varraso, Carlos Vega and Kevin Palencia.



Chelsea Police Chief Keith Houghton and members of the CPD were on hand at the Veterans Services at the Chelsea Soldiers Home last Thursday morning.



Shannon Chick conducts the CHS Concert band.



Ali You directs the CHS Orchestra.



State Representative Joe McGonagle with Mike Russo, Veterans Representative Phil Tammaro and Danny O’Callaghan.



# How to winterize your landscaping tools

Winter is just around the corner, and while most of us are busy preparing our homes and vehicles for the cold months ahead, it’s important not to forget about our trusty landscaping tools. These essential tools help us maintain our lawns throughout the year, and neglecting them during the winter can lead to costly repairs or replacements come spring.

In this blog, we will discuss the importance of winterizing your yard work tools, provide a checklist of supplies you’ll need and offer step-by-step instructions on how to protect your lawn care tools from the harsh winter elements.

### Assessing Your Landscape Tools

Before you begin the winterization process, it’s essential to assess the state of your landscape tools. Check each tool for signs of wear and tear, damage or rust. Make a list of the types of lawn tools you have, such as lawnmowers, trimmers, leaf blowers and edgers, and identify their vulnerability to winter damage. For example, metal parts are more prone to rust, while fuel systems can suffer from cold-related issues like fuel freezing, gasket seals cracking or overcooling which can result in piston scuffing and other issues.

### Winterizing Supplies Checklist

To winterize your yard work tools effectively,



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you’ll need a few essential supplies:

- **Cleaning materials:** Brushes, rags and cleaning solutions to remove dirt, debris and oil.
- **Fuel stabilizer:** To prevent fuel from deteriorating during storage.
- **Oil:** For changing the oil in your engines.
- **Lubricants:** For maintaining moving parts and preventing rust.
- **Sharpening tools** like a blade sharpener or drill attachment: To keep blades and cutting surfaces sharp.
- **Storage solutions:** Covers or shelters to protect your tools from the elements.

### Safety Precautions

Safety should always be a top priority when handling lawn tools. Wear appropriate safety gear, such as gloves and safety goggles, when performing maintenance. Before cleaning any gas-powered tools with a blade for example, make sure you remove the spark plug first to keep the tool from accidentally kick-starting. Read the manufacturer’s

guidelines for each tool to ensure you follow the recommended safety procedures.

### Cleaning and Maintenance

Cleaning your lawn tools thoroughly is the first step in winterizing them. Remove dirt, grass clippings and other debris using a brush or compressed air. Wipe down the surfaces with a rag and a suitable cleaning solution. For lawnmowers, trimmers and other garden equipment, refer to the manufacturer’s instructions for detailed cleaning and maintenance procedures.

### Fuel and Oil Management

Properly managing fuel and oil is essential to prevent engine damage during winter. Drain the fuel tanks or add a fuel stabilizer to prevent deterioration. Change the oil according to the manufacturer’s recommendations and check and replace air filters as needed. These steps will help ensure your engines start smoothly

when spring arrives:

- Drain the gas tank and then run the engine until the fuel system is empty for long-term storage or stabilize the fuel for short-term storage.
- Generally, you will need to remove the oil drain plug, drain the oil into a container, replace the drain plug and refill the engine with the recommended oil.
- Replace the oil filter at least once a season, more often under heavy use.
- Check the air filter once a season or every 25 years of usage.

### Sharpening Blades and Cutting Surfaces

Maintaining sharp blades and cutting surfaces is vital for effective lawn care. Dull blades can damage your grass and plants, making them more susceptible to disease. Safely sharpen your tools’ blades using the appropriate sharpening tools, following the manufacturer’s guidelines or seeking professional help if needed.

1. If you have a gas-powered lawn tool, be sure to remove the spark plug first before sharpening blades so that the system doesn’t accidentally kick-start.
2. Loosen the single nut or bolt holding the blade on so you can remove the blade
3. Take a wire brush to it and clean off all of the debris that has accumulated over time.
4. Use a 10-inch long mill bastard hand file, or

a sharpener attachment to the end of a drill-bit.

5. Use a handy nail that has been nailed into the wall or a balancing tool to balance the weight of the blade so that you don’t take off more weight from one side of the blade and not the other.
6. Reinstall the blade and hand-tighten the bolt.

### Lubrication and Rust Prevention

Lubrication plays a crucial role in preventing rust and corrosion. Apply lubricants to moving parts, such as hinges, springs, gears or any other moving parts/surfaces that might be susceptible to rust as recommended by the manufacturer. Additionally, protect surfaces susceptible to rust by applying a rust-inhibiting product.

### Storing Your Landscape Tools

Proper storage is the final step in winterizing your yard work tools. Find an ideal storage space, such as a shed or garage, to protect your tools from extreme cold, moisture and snow. Use covers or shelters for added protection. If you have rechargeable batteries for your tools, store them in a cool, dry place and follow the manufacturer’s guidelines for proper battery maintenance during the winter months. Some safe places to store landscape tools over winter include:

- Garages
- Hanging inside on a wall

- Plastic bins with a lid or cabinets

### How do I get my landscape tools ready for winter? - Answered

In preparation for winter, it’s essential to winterize your landscaping tools by cleaning and maintaining them, managing fuel and oil, sharpening blades, applying lubrication and storing them properly to prevent damage from the cold weather and ensure they’re ready for use in the spring.

So, don’t wait—start winterizing your yard work tools today and enjoy a worry-free winter knowing that your tools are well cared for.

Want to learn more about achieving a great lawn? Check out more Sod University tips here and subscribe to our weekly newsletter.

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*This article was written by Sod Solutions Content Strategist, Valerie Smith.*

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### IT’S MAYOR KEEFE



Revere Mayor Elect Patrick Keefe with his family and supporters celebrating his victory at the Marina at the Wharf Restaurant. Keefe was quoted “We Believe” and it happened.

### HVNA HEARS ABOUT PROJECT

EAST BOSTON - At its monthly meeting on Monday, the Harbor View Neighborhood Association (HVNA) learned more about a project that would include the demolition of an existing building at 531 Bennington Street that Attorney Richard Lynds described as the street’s Leaning Tower of Pisa. The existing building at the site is a three-story, three-unit dwelling and was described as being in unsound structural condition by Lynds, who presented the project to the HVNA. During the presentation, Lynds read from an engineer report concerning the building’s structural integrity that pointed out several issues, such as walls being out of plumb and leaning toward 529 Bennington Street, deterioration of the brick ma-

sonry foundation walls, and more. Further, the report Lynds read from concluded that it would be safer to demolish the building and rebuild on its current footprint. Moreover, Lynds explained that this has been presented to the Boston Landmarks Commission regarding a demolition delay application. “The Boston Landmarks Commission has essentially waived any review of this and concur with our engineer and that they recommend certainly that we proceed with demolition,” said Lynds. He also added that a demolition permit is anticipated shortly. With concerns about the structural integrity of the building in mind, the proposal for the project is to demolish it and build a four-story, five-unit residential building. Regarding plans for the newly proposed four-story

building, it was designed to align with the proposed zoning changes that stem from the Boston Planning and Development Agency’s (BPDA) neighborhood planning initiative PLAN: East Boston. For example, Lynds went through some specific design features such as the height, lot coverage, rear yard depth, and how they are consistent with what is being proposed through the plan. However, it was acknowledged by Lynds that since these proposed zoning changes are not currently in effect and a permit has been applied for under current zoning, the project would require relief under the current zoning code. Also, an important aspect of the project to note is that the proposed building’s footprint would be consistent with the footprint of the current building. “We’re not looking to

expand the footprint of our building. We are increasing it vertically one level; however, we’re not changing it with respect to the footprint that you see,” said Lynds. Following the presentation, a discussion about the project was held, and there were several comments and questions from those in attendance. There were concerns from one attendee concerning the demolition of the existing building and whether it could affect the integrity of neighboring

buildings. However, Lynds explained, “When any building is taken down in the City of Boston or Commonwealth of Massachusetts, there’s very specific requirements for demolition of the building, including site surveys for any adjoining properties.” “Any contractor who’s going to tear a building down will make sure that anything they’re doing in that area — they’ll ensure that both buildings, left and right, will be documented, and conditions

will have to be observed,” he added. There was also a question in regard to the current zoning and proposed zoning from PLAN: East Boston and Lynds explained that they presently have to operate under the current zoning. However, he explained that with this application pending, if the zoning were to change, anything that complies with the new zoning would no longer need a variance. However-

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TEMPLE EMMANUEL HOLDS DONOR LUNCHEON

Temple Emmanuel held its annual Donor Luncheon Nov. 1 at the Continental Restaurant, Saugus. The guests enjoyed a full-course lunch, coffee, and dessert. There was a raffle drawing. Well-known singer, musician, and storyteller Brian Corcoran provided outstanding entertain-

ment. Temple Emmanuel President Sara Lee Callahan thanked the guests for their support of the synagogue. Program Chair Cindy Millman and Treasurer Phyllis Vigoda did a great job organizing the luncheon.



Enjoying the Temple Emmanuel Donor Luncheon are Kalah Kresnow and Carole Turransky.



Luncheon guest Minna Karas-Marino, President Sara Lee Callahan, and Treasurer Phyllis Vigoda.



Murray Novak, Diane London Haskins, and Dotty Novak.



Chelsea High School classmates and lifelong friends, Edythe Shuman and Shirley Kaplan.



Seated are Linda Dall, Mollie Weisberg, and Carol Levine. Standing are Cindy Millman and Rena George.



Seated are Laurie-Ann Tatelman and Becky Swope. Standing are President Sara Lee Callahan, Rita Shapiro, and Tom Spiridiglozzi.

BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins - The tradition - Beanpot

When Bruins coach Jim Montgomery sent a message like he did during Monday morning's practice, putting the entire team, including the goal-tenders, on notice, the hope was that it would produce results. The message was obviously heard loud and clear on Tuesday, as the team responded with a fairly solid game versus the Buffalo Sabres, and a 5-2 victory. While not a full 60-minute effort, due to some dead spots after posting five goals, it did show the message was received, as four Bruins scored their first goal of the season (Danton Heinen, Brandon Carlo, Oskar Steen, and Hampus Lindholm), along with David Pastrnak posting goal number 11. Linus Ullmark manned the net, only allowing a pair of goals by Sabres' Victor Olofsson, while stopping 32 of the 34 shots he faced, for a 5-2 win... upping the locals' record 10 12-1-2. Next up for the Bruins will be Saturday at 7:00pm, when they host the Montreal Canadiens, (lost last 2 games), followed by a two-game road trip to Florida on Monday (7:00pm) to face the Tampa Bay Lightning (lost last 3), and on Wednesday (7:00pm) to be hosted by the Florida Panthers (won last 5 games). Boston's injury report indicates that Milan Lucic has suffered a setback and his return will



played, while forward Morgan Geekie continues on injured reserve, and defenseman Matt Grzelcyk's shoulder injury has him on long-term injured reserve. The Sports Museum's 22nd annual fundraising gala, The Tradition will be held on Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00pm. This year's honorees will include, Dennis Eckersley (Baseball), presenter Alex Speier, Kevin Faulk (Football), presenter Ivan Fears, Doc Rivers (Basketball) presenter Sam Cassell, Briana Scurry (Soccer), presenter Wayne Coffey, Bob Sweeney (Hockey), presenter Ray Bourque, and Dana White (Special Achievement Award), presenter Hunter Campbell.

The Beanpot returns to TD Garden One of Boston's most hallowed traditions, The Beanpot, returns to TD Garden this year with more prestige than ever – and with double the impact. The annual men's college hockey tournament returns on the first two Mondays in February for the Dunkin' Beanpot. And this year, for the first time ever, the Women's

Dunkin' Beanpot Championship will be played at TD Garden on January 23, 2024. The Dunkin' Women's Beanpot Championship will showcase both the consolation and the championship games at TD Garden. The women's semifinals are on Tuesday, January 16 and will be hosted at Harvard Bright-Landry Hockey Center. Boston's four major college hockey programs (Boston College, Boston University, Harvard University and Northeastern University) will battle for the City's bragging rights. The Northeastern Huskies will look to defend their Beanpot championship titles in both the men and women's tournaments. Tickets for all Dunkin' Beanpot games hosted at TD Garden will go on sale Monday, November 20 at 10:00 a.m. at Ticketmaster.com. The Dunkin' Women's Beanpot Semifinals are on Tues. January 16, hosted at Harvard's Bright-Landry Hockey Center. Tuesday, Jan. 23, TD Garden, will host Consolation Game (5:00pm), and Championship Game (8:00pm). The Dunkin' Men's Beanpot Semifinals - Monday, Feb. 5 5:00 PM: Harvard vs. Northeastern, 8:00 PM: Boston University vs. Boston College. Championship - Monday, Feb. 12: 4:30 p.m. Consolation Game and 7:30 p.m. Championship Game.

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er, the project would still need to go to the Zoning Board of Appeal for aspects of the plans that do not comply with updated zoning.

As the discussion progressed, other topics were discussed, such as some of the design aspects of the building’s fourth story and more.

Since this was the first presentation for the project, a vote was not held. The HVNA is slated to meet again on Dec. 4.

DRAINE RECOGNIZED FOR WORK

EVERETT - Cathy Draine, the City of Everett’s inaugural director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), has been recognized in a special edition of COLOR Magazine as one of the Top 50 Chief Diversity Officers.

She is included in a list of honorees from across the country representing individuals in government service, higher education and the private sector.

Draine’s efforts in City Hall have focused on including more inclusive policies and procedures. She implemented a training to educate municipal employees about unconscious bias in the workplace. She also implemented a hotline for individuals to report concerns about illegal, unethical, or otherwise objectionable conduct or practices by city employees. Additionally, Draine helps ensure Everett’s compliance with

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) requirements and reporting.

Draine also has created opportunities for municipal employees and members of the community to come together to learn and develop a deeper understanding and appreciation for the diversity that exists in Everett. She implemented a “Lunch and Learn” program that brings employees together to discuss important topics including strengthening community through language access, how service providers can provide care with cultural competency, and how to create safe spaces for members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

She also spearheaded Mayor DeMaria’s “Everett for Everyone” initiative by working with members of the community and community organizations to support cultural events and celebrations, including this year’s well-attended Nepal Day celebration in Glendale Park.

“I can’t think of anyone more deserving of this recognition than Cathy Draine,” said Mayor DeMaria. “Since moving to Everett and joining our team, Cathy has worked hard to make sure that individuals from all backgrounds feel seen and valued in City Hall and in the community. I am grateful to Cathy for all her efforts and for the guidance and support she has shared with me and others in our community.”

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affiliate of BridgeTower Media and for the past ten years has focused on creating thought content for issues including diversity and inclusion.

OCEANVIEW KENNEL CELEBRATES ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY IN REVERE

REVERE - Lisa Cutting is carrying on her late mother’s superlative legacy of kindness and excellent animal care as the owner of the Oceanview Kennel on North Shore Road in Revere.

“My mother [Marion Viveiros] started the business – this was her dream,” said Cutting. “And to be honest, I thought she was crazy when she said she was going to open a kennel. I didn’t even own a dog.”

Two decades after Mrs. Viveiros realized her dream of kennel ownership, Oceanview is celebrating its 20th anniversary, “and because of my mother, we have saved thousands of dogs.”

Like her mother, Cutting has earned the respect and gratitude from not only pet owners, but city leaders in Revere and beyond its borders.

“We [Oceanview] have been the city pound for 13 cities,” said Cutting. “So, we’ve been able to save not only dogs, but cats, goats, rabbits, guinea pigs, iguanas, ducks, chick-

ens, hens, and doves. I’ve worked with our city [Revere] for 17 years.”

The dream continues Oceanview Kennel founder Marion Viveiros died unexpectedly in September, 2022. She especially enjoyed rescuing dogs and placing them in safe, happy homes.

“I’m carrying her legacy on,” said Cutting. “So many Revere residents depended on my mother for their pet care. I’m so proud of what she did for people and their pets.”

Following her mother’s example, Cutting brings the same high level of attentiveness, energy, and care to each dog under her supervision.

“A dog owner brings their pet overnight if they travel, or for daycare so the dogs can play,” said Cutting. “Dogs need to be socialized. They’re packed. So, when you leave a dog home by itself, they withdraw. I wish humans had friendship bonds and trust like dogs do with their dog friends. Life would be a lot better.”

A courageous comeback

Lisa Cutting has faced health issues during the past three years, having been diagnosed with cancer in 2020.

“I battled it for three years,” said Cutting. “This place wouldn’t have stayed running without my daughter [Morgan Burdulis] and son-in-law [Jay Burdulis]. They held down the fort 100 percent.”

Cutting feels much bet-

ter today. “I have some little side effects from chemotherapy, but I swear my best medicine was Morgan and Jay. They handled a lot and did a great job.”

Helping her community Lisa Cutting has been lauded universally by her clients for going above and beyond for senior pet owners who don’t have access to transportation and other resources.

“If a senior citizen has to bring their dog or cat to the veterinarian, I’ll go and pick their pets up and we’ll provide transportation [free of charge],” said Cutting. “You need to help people and give back to your community, because I wouldn’t be here if it weren’t for the community believing in my mom. Now that we’ve been here and we’re celebrating 20 years, I feel a part of this community. You need to give back.”

Praise from Guarino-Sawaya

Ward 5 resident and community leader Angela Guarino-Sawaya brings her Australian Husky, Mercedes, daily to Oceanview Kennel.

“They were afraid to have me come here because I was so paranoid about leaving my dog,” recalled Guarino-Sawaya. “Lisa put my dog in a room to see how she was going to interact with other dogs. There was a big dog there, and their instant connection was the sweetest thing ever.”

Guarino-Sawaya said Lisa is in a class by herself when it comes to the

professional care of animals. “Lisa does a lot for all the dogs in the community. She’s amazing. She goes above and beyond. She has parties for their birthdays, celebrations for every holiday. I can’t say enough about what she does for the community. She’s definitely the voice of Revere for our pets.”

Cutting credits Councilor-at-Large Dan Rizzo “for giving the kennel the resources it needed to be successful and fighting for the proper tools to become the city’s official pound.”

Rizzo said the respect is mutual and considers Cutting an impactful leader in the community.

“I just can’t tell how important Lisa Cutting and Oceanview Kennel is to our community,” said Rizzo. “The work she does with these vulnerable animals is incredible work, it’s God’s work. This city is a much better place because of her and the way she takes care of these precious animals. She will always have my full support and everything she needs to make sure that all animals, to the extent possible, will be taken care of be cared for.”

The Viveiros/Cutting legacy will continue for many years to come as Morgan Burdulis stands ready to carry on her mother Lisa’s beloved stature in the community and among pet owners on the North Shore.

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# NFPA urges extra caution when preparing your feast this Thanksgiving

The National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) urges added caution when cooking on Thanksgiving Day, by far the leading day of the year for home cooking fires. In 2021, an estimated 1,160 home cooking fires were reported to U.S fire departments on Thanksgiving Day, reflecting a 297 percent increase over the daily average.

“Thanksgiving is a hectic holiday with multiple dishes cooking and baking at the same time, along with lots of guests, entertaining, and other distractions that can make it easy to lose sight of what’s on the stove or in the oven,” said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. “With all these factors at play, it’s not surprising that the number of cooking fires spikes so dramatically.”

Overall, cooking is the leading cause of U.S. home fires and injuries, and the second-leading cause of home fire deaths. Unattended cooking is the leading contributing factor in cooking fires and fire deaths.

“Keeping a close eye on what’s cooking and minimizing the likelihood of getting distracted are key steps people can take to ensure a festive, fire-free holiday,” said Carli.

Following are additional tips and recommenda-

- tions from NFPA to help cook safely on Thanksgiving:
- Never leave the kitchen while cooking on the stovetop. Some types of cooking, especially those that involve frying or sautéing with oil, need continuous attention.
  - When cooking a turkey, remain at home and check it regularly.
  - Make use of timers to keep track of cooking times, particularly for foods that require longer cook times.
  - Keep things that can catch fire like oven mitts, wooden utensils, food wrappers, and towels at least three feet away from the cooking area.
  - Avoid long sleeves and hanging fabrics that can come in contact with a heat source.
  - Always cook with a lid beside your pan. If a small grease fire starts, smother the flames by sliding the lid over the pan, then turn off the burner. Do not remove the cover because the fire could start again. Let the pan cool for a long time.
  - For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed. Only open the door once you’re confident the fire is completely out, standing to the side as you do. If you have any doubts or concerns, contact the fire department for assistance.

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**Legal Notice**  
City of Chelsea  
Public Hearing

The City of Chelsea Department of Housing and Community Development will hold an in-person Public Hearing on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Williams School, Music Room, 180 Walnut Street, Chelsea, MA. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the City's proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application for Fiscal Year 2024, review the year's proposed Community Development Strategy, and generate public input. This Public Hearing is a requirement prior to submitting a CDBG application to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. CDBG funds may be used for eligible projects/activities in the categories, including but not limited to, housing rehabilitation, community economic development, public facilities/infrastructure, planning, and/or public/social services. The FY2022/23 grant was awarded for, affordable housing acquisition, public social services, a Strategic Housing Plan, and infrastructure improvements for two projects, Clinton Street and Addison Street. Public social services funding supports Community Schools ESOL classes, a citizenship and immigration services program, the REACH program for at-risk middle and high school students and senior food delivery. The City of Chelsea is a Mini-entitlement community that receives CDBG funds on a non-competitive basis for eligible activities. The City of Chelsea's Department of Housing and Development staff will implement the CDBG program. Staff from the Chelsea Department of Housing and Community Development will be present to hear any and all recommendations. All persons or organizations wishing to comment will be given an opportunity in writing by February 15, 2024 to the Chelsea Department of Housing and Community Development, 500 Broadway, Room 101, Chelsea, MA 02150, Attn: CDBG Program, or via email to [emccarthy@chelseama.gov](mailto:emccarthy@chelseama.gov). Erica McCarthy, Housing and Community Development Grant Manager, City of Chelsea. 11/09/23, 11/16/23 C

**Audiencia Pública**  
El Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de la Ciudad de Chelsea llevará a cabo una Audiencia Pública en persona el jueves 7 de Diciembre de 2023 a las 6:00 p.m. en la Escuela Williams, Sala de Música, 180 Walnut Street, Chelsea, MA. El propósito de esta reunión es discutir la solicitud de la Ciudad propuesta para el Año Fiscal 2024, revisar la Estrategia de Desarrollo Comunitario propuesta para el año y generar aportes públicos. Esta Audiencia Pública es requerida por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de Massachusetts antes de someter una solicitud a los fondos de CDBG. Los fondos CDBG pueden usarse para proyectos/actividades elegibles en las categorías - incluidas pero no limitadas - rehabilitación de viviendas, desarrollo económico comunitario, instalaciones / infraestructura públicas, planificación y/o servicios públicos/sociales. La subvención para el año fiscal 2022/23 se otorgó para la adquisición de viviendas asequibles, servicios sociales públicos, un Plan Estratégico de Vivienda y mejoras de infraestructura para dos proyectos, Clinton Street y Addison Street. Los fondos de servicios sociales públicos apoyan las clases de ESOL de las escuelas comunitarias, un programa de servicios de ciudadanía e inmigración y el programa REACH para estudiantes de secundaria y preparatoria en riesgo, y entrega de comida para personas mayores. La ciudad de Chelsea es una comunidad con mini-beneficios que recibe fondos CDBG de forma no competitiva para actividades elegibles. El personal del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de la Ciudad de Chelsea va a implementar el programa CDBG. Personal del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario va a estar presente para recibir cualquier y todas las recomendaciones. Todas las personas u organizaciones que deseen comentar tendrán la posibilidad de ser escuchadas. También puede enviar comentarios por escrito antes del 15 de febrero de 2024 al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario, 500 Broadway, Oficina 101, Chelsea, MA 02150, Attn: CDBG Programa, o por email a [emccarthy@chelseama.gov](mailto:emccarthy@chelseama.gov). Erica McCarthy, Gerente de Subvenciones para Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario, Ciudad de Chelsea. 11/09/23, 11/16/23 C

**COUNSEL AND LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT MATTERS**  
The Chelsea, Massachusetts Housing Authority (CHA) is seeking proposals, from individual attorneys or firms (Proposer) for legal services to be provided to the CHA as general counsel, including public sector labor, collective bargaining, and employment-related matters. Services required include advice and consultation on pending and arising matters as well as board governance, representation in collective bargaining, matters involving employees, both unionized and non-unionized, before administrative bodies and/or in court, open meeting law, public records law, state and federal housing regulatory issues, and advice relative to policy development. Request for the full RFP along with any and all documentations needed in order to response to the RFP must be made by sending an email request to [avelazquez@chelseaha.com](mailto:avelazquez@chelseaha.com) or pick up at our main office 54 Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150. Proposers are requested to submit their proposals for services to be rendered NO LATER THAN 12:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 6, 2023, TO: Arnaldo Velazquez, Deputy Director, GENERAL COUNSEL AND LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT RFP, Chelsea Housing Authority 54 Locke Street Chelsea, MA 02150 11/16/23 C

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
CITY OF CHELSEA  
PUBLIC HEARING

All taxpayers are invited to attend a Public Hearing by the City Council in conjunction with the Board of Assessors on Monday, December 4, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, Chelsea City Hall, regarding the MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL FACTOR, CLASSIFICATION, and THE RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION and their effect on the Fiscal Year 2024 tax rates. Leo Robinson, President Chelsea City Council Michael Flynn, Chairperson Board of Assessors. ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. 11/16/23, 11/22/23 C

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LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR GENERAL

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street Boston MA, 02114  
In the matter of: Cory Drew Taylor of: Chelsea, MA  
RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Cory Drew Taylor is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of 11/27/2023. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 26, 2023 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate 11/16/23 C

**AN INCAPACITATED PERSON**  
Docket No. SU05P0779G1  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street Boston MA, 02114  
In the matter of: Douglas Kavanaugh Of: Chelsea, MA  
RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Debra S Kornbluh, Esq. of New York, NY in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Accept the Resignation of the Guardian of the Respondent. The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of 11/27/2023. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 27, 2023 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate 11/16/23 C

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, Section 5-304 Docket No. SU23P2328GD

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR RESIGNATION OF A GUARDIAN OF

September 18, 2023, the City Council voted after a second reading to adopt the following orders: Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$100,000.00 from Operating Stabilization Fund #7023 to supplement the Fiscal Year CIP 2024 – Emergency Management Department – Emergency Housing/Shelter Operations/Account # 0123052-538000. Ordered, that in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64 budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY21, FY22, and FY23 were not paid and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY24 budgets respectively as noted, the City Council authorizes expenditures to satisfy the unpaid balances from prior years. Copies of the orders are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA 02150. Jeannette Cintron White City Clerk 11/16/23 C

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CITY OF CHELSEA  
INVITATION FOR BIDS  
EMERGENCY REPAIR RESPONSE AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS & TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor, equipment and materials for "EMERGENCY REPAIR RESPONSE AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS & TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after November 16, 2023, by visiting the City's website at [https://www.chelseama.gov/departments/purchasing/current\\_bids\\_\\_\\_solicitations.php](https://www.chelseama.gov/departments/purchasing/current_bids___solicitations.php). Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "EMERGENCY REPAIR RESPONSE AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS & TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 10:00AM on Thursday, November 30, 2023. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, issued by a responsible bank or trust company. Or a bid bond duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company approved by the City, all in the amount of 5% of the bid payable to the "City of Chelsea." The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
CITY OF CHELSEA  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Chelsea Emergency Shelter and Homelessness Prevention The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Request for Proposals for "Chelsea Emergency Shelter and Homelessness Prevention". Request for Proposals will be available on or after November 16, 2023 by visiting the City's website at [https://www.chelseama.gov/departments/purchasing/current\\_bids\\_\\_\\_solicitations.php](https://www.chelseama.gov/departments/purchasing/current_bids___solicitations.php). Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked "Chelsea Emergency Shelter and Homelessness Prevention" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 11:00AM on Thursday, December 7, 2023. The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond. The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer. This Request for Proposals is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30B. Dragica Ivanis Chief Procurement Officer 11/16/23 C


**LEGAL NOTICE**  
CHELSEA CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
PUBLIC MEETING REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 131 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (Wetlands Protection Act), that a Public Meeting of the Chelsea Conservation Commission will be held: Wednesday, November 29, 2023, 6:00 PM Via Zoom video conference. The Public Meeting will be held to review the Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by Devin Herrick, Weston S Sampson, on behalf of the City of Chelsea for the construction of a waterfront park with a splash pad/plaza space, walking path, lower seating area, stormwater features, plantings, and visual access to the Mill Creek waterfront at 88 Clinton Street. All interested parties seeking to provide public comment or to join the meeting must communicate with [jdepriest@chelseama.gov](mailto:jdepriest@chelseama.gov). Name and address must be included in order to be read during the Public Speaking portion of the meeting and email address in order to join the meeting. A copy of the filing may be reviewed at City Hall, Department of Permitting and Land Use Planning, 500 Broadway, Room 106, during City Hall business hours. Per Order Stephen N. Sarikas Chairperson 11/16/23 C


**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, at 6:00 PM Chelsea City Council Chambers, Third Floor, 500 Broadway, to provide a recommendation to the City Council on proposed amend-


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# OBITUARIES

## Felipe Orellana

September 13, 1924 - November 09, 2023

Relatives and friends attended visiting hours on Monday, November 13th in the Welsh Funeral Home, Chelsea for Felipe Orellana, His funeral wase conducted from the funeral home on Tuesday, November 14, immediately followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Rose of Lima Church, Chelsea. Services concluded with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Felipe Orellana passed away on Wednesday, November 8 at 10:55 p.m. at 99 years of age surrounded by his beloved children. He was born and raised in La Unión, El Salvador, a beloved son of his parents, Simeón Orellana and Isabel Bonilla. He married Guadalupe Bernal in 1953 and their marriage lasted 49 years. They formed a family in the City of Chelsea for 35 years.

His wife, Guadalupe



Bernal de Orellana (of pleasant memory) passed away in 2002. He is survived by his children: Orellana Bernal, Marta Yolanda, José Efrain, José Arquimedes, José Samuel, Irene Carmen, Maria Luisa, José Aristides, Felipe Carlos, Deisys Martiza and his grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFH.com](http://www.WelshFH.com).



## Alvin Bernard

## “Pee Wee” Moore

December 3, 1934 – October 30, 2023

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend a celebration of love for Alvin Bernard “Pee-Wee” Moore on Saturday, November 18, from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon in the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea. Immediately following the services, please join the family at Anthony’s of Malden, 105 Canal St., Malden for a continued Celebration of Life.

On Friday, October 20, 2023, the Moore family lost their hero and patriot, Alvin Moore. Alvin was born on December 3rd, 1934 to the late Irving Moore and Evelyn Dennis-Moore-Gardner. Alvin passed away at the home of his beloved daughter in Decatur, GA after a valiant fight with Amyloidosis. He was 88 years of age.

He grew up in Chelsea with six siblings and was predeceased by his brothers Irving, Earl, William “Billy” Moore, and sisters Arlene Moore and Natalie Butler. He is survived by Charlotte Bonds, his only living sibling.

Alvin attended the Chelsea School system and excelled in both academics and athletics. Following graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army and upon completion of his tour of duty received an honorable discharge. He then went on to learn the construction trade and soon became a construction worker/engineer. He retired from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) where he worked on some major historical projects throughout the Boston area.

Al’s love for his family ran deep, just like his love for Boston. After living



in some of Boston’s surrounding areas, he moved to Mashpee, MA to care for his beloved mother. That was Al. He took care of everyone around him until he couldn’t. His easy-going personality, infectious smile, bright hazel eyes and swift moves on the dance floor made him unforgettable. He loved a good meal and never met a haddock he didn’t like. A true New Englander who loved all things chowder and all things sweet.

He is survived by his children, Darcelle (Michael) Jones and Nicole (Lyn) Moore-Jackson. He was preceded in death by his children, Deana and Shawn Moore and granddaughters, Sacoya and Tyler Moore.

Al also leaves to cherish his memory grandchildren: Vincent, Darren, Jasmyn, Michael Jr., LaDonne, Tyshaun, Jasmine and Amber.

He is also survived his partner, Anna Lewis, and her family: Johanna (Renardo) Andrade, Karen (Vern) Cowan, Ferdinand and Kevin (Leslie) Singleton.

Al will be missed by a host of family members and friends.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFH.com](http://www.WelshFH.com).



## Cajou E. Clark

March 03, 1961 - November 12, 2023



Relatives and friends attended visiting hours in the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea, on Tuesday, November 14th for Cajou Clark who passed away in his home after a brief illness on Sunday, November 12. He was 62 years of age. His funeral was held at the funeral home on Wednesday, November 15th and services concluded with Cajou being placed to rest in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Cajou was born and raised in Boston. He was a resident of Chelsea for several years and was married to Rosa M. Rivera. He attended area schools and was a US Army Veteran. He received a master’s degree in law enforcement and worked as a Campus Police officer at Bunker Hill Community College.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Rosa M. Ri-



vera; his children and stepchildren; Acetyn Clark, Aven Clark, Avyanie Clark, Caja Johnson and Cajou Johnson, Jessica Rivera, Jessenia Rivera and Pricila Rivera; his siblings: Paul, LaCar, Randy, Linda, Shelly, Aqua and the late Taero and Petey. He is also survived by two granddaughters, one grandson, several extended family members and friends.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFH.com](http://www.WelshFH.com).



## Jean Guilmette

January 18, 1925 - November 06, 2023

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend visiting hours and funeral services in the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea, on Friday, November 17, beginning at 9 a.m. for Jean Guilmette who passed away after a brief decline in health on Monday, November 6th at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. She was 98 years of age. The visiting hours will be immediately followed by funeral services in the funeral home at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Born and raised in Chelsea, the beloved daughter of the late Stanislaus and Antoinette (Szcublek) Lenkiewicz, Jean was a lifelong resident of Chelsea and attended local schools.

She was married to Alfred G. Guilmette, Jr. for 34 years, raised her son, Alfred G. III. and was passionately devoted to home and family.

Jean also worked outside of her home for several years as a Linotype/typesetter in the commercial printing industry in Boston. She was a lifelong parishioner, devoted and faithful member of the former St. Stanislaus Parish. She is fondly remembered by her family for her unparalleled devotion to her son and her love for her family.



Jean was predeceased by her husband, Alfred G. Guilmette, Jr., her siblings and their spouses; Edward Lenkiewicz, Sr. and his wife, Florence, John Lenkiewicz, Stella Badessa, Stephanie Lenkiewicz, Alice Lenkiewicz and Anthony Lenkiewicz.

She was the devoted mother of Alfred G. Guilmette, III of Dorchester and Chelsea, cherished aunt of Paula Lenkiewicz of Chelsea, Edward Lenkiewicz, Jr. of Everett, the late Joyce Dabene, who is survived by her husband, Paul of Weymouth, the late Carolyne and Wayne Toth and the adored great aunt of Nicole Dabene and Paul Dabene, Jr.

Should friends desire, contributions in Jean’s name may be made to Autism Speaks/New England, 88 Broad St., 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02110.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFH.com](http://www.WelshFH.com).



## Anna Louise Finnegan

Active at the Chelsea Senior Center

Family and friends attended visiting hours on Tuesday in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere for Anna Louise (Peters) Finnegan who died at home on Friday, November 10, surrounded by her loving family, following a brief battle with breast cancer. She was 85 years old. Her Funeral was conducted from the funeral home on Wednesday, November 15, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Anthony of Padua Church, Revere and interment in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Louise was born in Boston on September 8, 1938 to her late parents, Gilbert B. and Althea K. (Lawrence) Peters. She was one of four girls raised and educated in Revere. Louise was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1956. The following year, she married her sweetheart, Thomas

J. Finnegan. The couple resided in Revere where they began their life and their family together.

They later moved to Chelsea, where their family continued to grow. Louise and her husband, Tom owned and operated Finnegan’s Variety Store in the 1970’s, while Louise was raising her children and working in the store. They later closed the business and started a new venture together, Spencer Property Management.

Louise was always dedicated to her family first. She was able to cherish her time with her grandchildren, watching them grow, become adults and begin their own families. She was blessed to become a great great grandmother as well. Her family adored her for the mother she was, her strong faith and love for people.

Louise was an active member at the Chelsea Se-



nior Center. There she belonged to the club “Empty Spools Quilters” making blankets for veterans and children. She also enjoyed doing ceramics and making many wonderful treasures for herself, family and friends.

She was the beloved wife of 57 years of the late Thomas J. Finnegan, loving mother of Colleen A. Doss and her late husband, James A. Doss of Muldraugh, KY, Marcelle M. McDonough, Jacqueline M. Finnegan, Daniel G. Finnegan and his partner, Dana Dicken, all of Chelsea, Sean T. Finnegan and his wife, Aretuza of Saugus and the late Thomas H. Finnegan; cherished Nana of Chrystal, Melanie, James, Asenath, Katie, John, Jasmine, Kenya, Desiree and Brianna; great grandmother of 12 and great great grandmother of four; dear sister of Mary Coggsweil of Revere and the late June Salie and Althea Peters. She is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Chelsea Senior Center Activities Fund, 10 Riley Way, Chelsea, MA 02150. To send online condolences, please visit [www.vertucciosmithvazza.com](http://www.vertucciosmithvazza.com). Funeral arrangements entrusted to the care and direction of the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals.

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let Soirée were encouraged to embrace red shades in honor of “The Scarlett Letter,” and autumn season. Bellingham-Cary House guests donned crimson gowns and pearls, and enjoyed hor d’oeuvres during the elegant affair.

“It was a great time. Everybody had fun. My favorite part was that everyone got into theme. People brought the en-

ergy,” said Frank, who wore a red paisley blazer and matching bowtie. “We were able to decorate the house without taking away the history. We’re lucky to have such an engaged board and members of the community who love the house. We made more money on this event than any other event by double. We hope to keep on doing it.”



Carolyn Boumilla-Vega, Matt Frank, GBCH trustee, Michelle Mirthes, and Grace Muwina, GBCH trustee.



Jackson Katete, and Grace Muwina, GBCH trustee, with her daughter, Lulu, and husband, Derek.



Paul Nowicki, Executive Director, Chelsea Housing Authority, Tracy Nowicki, Director, Elder Services, and Jennifer Hassell, Executive Director, Chamber of Commerce.



Brendan Donoghue and Kate Fagerstrom.



Ninety-nine-year-old, Jean Chapman, GBCH Vice President, serving hor d’oeuvres.



Roberto Jimenez-Rivera and Sarah Neville.



Manjola and Ledia Koco, GBCH Corresponding Secretary.



Suzanne and Rishi Ramou-tarsingh.



Joanne and Glenn Salza.



Nancy Fagerstrom and Nancy Donoghue.



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