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## Smart Growth Zoning wins unanimous Council approval

By Adam Swift

Much of the public discussion over the Smart Growth overlay district for Central Avenue over the past several months has focused on the technical aspects of the zoning ordinance.

But Monday night, as the City Council unanimously approved the Smart Growth zoning - which will pave the way for the Innes Development project to move closer to becoming a reality - much of the talk focused on the human and community benefits of that decision.

As the final vote was made official, cheers and applause were heard from Innes residents, project development team members, and even City Planning and Development Director John DePriest.

“This will allow for new homes that all the residents of Chelsea can be proud to call their own,” said Ronnie Slamin, the project director for Corcoran, the developer behind the Innes Street/ Central Avenue housing redevelopment plan.

The special zoning designation, allows the mixed-income project to have its own,

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## Licensing Commission disciplines several establishments

By Adam Swift

If one is looking to hit the local bars this Cinco de Mayo, the options are going to be a little more limited than usual.

At its March 7 meeting, the Licensing Commission disciplined two local restaurants for a variety of infractions that will result in them losing their liquor licenses for the Cinco de Mayo weekend on May 4 and 5. (The restaurant Cinco de Mayo in Chelsea was not disciplined or called to the Commission).

In addition to losing its liquor license for that weekend, the Commission voted to roll back Acapulco’s hours of operation indefinitely, forcing the Fifth Street establishment to close at 11 p.m. instead of 1 a.m.

The Acapulco punishment stems from an incident last November when a security worker at the restaurant struck a customer over the head with a police baton.

The Commission also enforced an hours rollback from 1 a.m. to 11 p.m. - along with the weekend suspension - for Bar La Cueva at 802 Broadway. That punishment was enforced for an incident where several patrons were over-served, as well as for past concerns about noise and unruly patrons at the bar.

In addition, Commission member James Guido requested a hearing next month

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## SIMON JUMPS TO THE TOP



Chelsea High junior Stephanie Simons display her first-place medal at the New Balance Nationals in New York City.

## CHS junior wins national title

By Cary Shuman

Bobby Goss, Eddie Richard, Richard Bradley Steve DePaulo, Katrina Hill, Drenda Carroll, Nicole Hancock and the late Anthony “Chubby” Tiro” are among the best to ever compete in the Chelsea High track programs.

Stephanie Simon has joined that illustrious group - and she’s only a junior.

Simon completed her indoor track campaign with an unprecedented accomplishment: winning the long jump championship in the Emerging Elite Division at the 2019 New Balance Nationals that was held in New York City.

Simon soared to victory with a career-best jump of 18 feet, 10.75 inches, remarkably eclipsing her previous best by seven inches.

CHS track coach Cesar

Hernandez was not surprised by Simon’s victory or the dramatic way in which she achieved it.

“Stephanie had jumped 17-9 as her best in her first three attempts,” said Hernandez. “In the final, she took off to 18-10. I knew she had it in her.”

Hernandez and CHS Director of Athletics Amanda Alpert watched the drama unfold at the Nationals.

“It was exciting to watch the long jump competition,” said Hernandez. “It feels good to coach a national champion.”

Alpert, who has won national championships as a women’s professional football player and coach, said the whole scene at Nationals was “amazing.”

“To hear and see the number that Stephanie posted was

amazing,” said Alpert. “It was just about her hitting the board right and she did.”

Alpert said Simon’s competitiveness and work ethic set the foundation to victory.

“Stephanie is a rarely seen combination of hard work, dedication and pure talent,” said Alpert. “She has put in so much time in to making herself better both physically and mentally. Her dedication to the sport and her craft is amazing, but a lot of that comes from the Chelsea track coaching staff. They work to instill the importance of hard work and dedication because that is what is more important and will help you succeed after high school.”

Alpert expounded on the Chelsea coaches’ contributions to the Stephanie Simon success story.

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## Chelsea’s Real Estate Resurgence Continues

### Bowen, Castillo set to unveil Parker Place condos

By Cary Shuman

Chelsea real estate agent Jeffrey Bowen said all the hard work by city officials over the past 20 years is paying off.

“Chelsea is booming,” says Bowen. “City Managers Jay Ash and Tom Ambroino, the city councilors, and the community have brought it back to where we are now. Chelsea is the No. 1 gateway city in America with the lowest price-per-foot next to a major metropolitan city (Boston).”

Bowen knows much the city’s resurgence and the booming real estate scene. He is currently marketing his third major project, Parker Place, 12 new luxury condominiums at the corner of Parker Street and Spencer Avenue. The developer for the three projects has been Jason Roback of Roback Real Estate.

“Jason prides himself in bringing value and quality to the future residents of Chelsea,” credited Bowen.

Bowen and his partner, Sandra Castillo, of ERA Russell Realty Group, will host an open house each Saturday and Sunday (12-2 p.m.) at Parker Place, which is already draw-



ing significant interest among prospective buyers.

Bowen’s previous successes span the city, notably the Beacon Condominiums (81 Broadway) and the Thomas Martin Lofts (204 Spencer Ave.)

Parker Place, located at 87 Parker St, is a seven-story building featuring 12 units: 11 two-bed, two-bath, one two-bed, one-bath. Five of the units have garage parking, seven have outdoor spots. Out of the 11 two-bed, two-bath units, one is an affordable unit for medium-income residents (price to be determined by the City of Chelsea).

According to Bowen and Castillo, the prices at Parker Place range from \$449,000 to \$539,000.

“Each condo has air-conditioning, maple hardwood

flooring, custom kitchens, and stainless-steel appliances,” said Bowen. “This in an elevator building. Four of the units have roof decks. Eight of the units have balconies.”

Bowen said the area has become one of the hottest in the greater Boston real estate market.

“You have the DaVinci Lofts (960 Broadway), the Industrie Lofts (950 Broadway), the Spencer Lofts (60 Dudley St.), the Keen Lofts (220 Spencer Ave.), and the Thomas Martin Lofts (204 Spencer Ave.),” said Bowen.

And the boon is continuing, with the Chelsea Zoning Board’s approval Tuesday night of the Forbes Development that will consist of 590 units.

A good time to buy

There is no time like the present to invest in Chelsea, according to Bowen.

“Condominium prices are 25-50 percent higher a mile or two away in East Boston and Charlestown,” said Bowen. “Downtown Boston and the Seaport District (South Boston) is double and triple. Chelsea is still very afford-

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## Forbes Park plan approved by ZBA

By Seth Daniel

The Forbes Park development proposal, with more than 500 residential units proposed for the former industrial campus, has been approved by the City’s Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) after four years and two major re-designs.

The final iteration of the project includes 590 units of housing, with 60 percent of those units being condos for sale and 59 units being affordable to a range of incomes. There are also 1.6 parking spaces per unit, or 963 spaces. The project also boasts a major public access area to the waterfront of the Chelsea Creek and Mill Creek. The current project also has a very small amount of retail and office uses, with both totaling below 20,000 sq. ft.

The project, though still very large, was scaled back from the developer’s (YIHE Forbes of China) original proposal in 2015. That proposal featured skyscrapers about 21 stories tall and more

than 1,000 units of housing accompanied by large office spaces and large hotels. It was rejected informally and the company eventually withdrew during a ZBA meeting that went past midnight.

The news of Tuesday’s approval of the new plan was viewed with mixed results by most, including those who had come to support the project, including City Manager Tom Ambrosino.

“I’m happy with the project even though it’s far from perfect,” he said. “Given all the concessions made since they first showed up here, I think it’s a workable project. There is lots of homeownership, with 60 percent being condos. This is the largest condo project in Chelsea for more than a decade if not longer. They also have really exciting plans for accessing the waterfront along the Chelsea Creek.”

Ambrosino said they also agreed to several affordable housing concessions. Of the

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## Licensing Commission close to vote on marijuana regulations

By Adam Swift

With plans to host four recreational marijuana shops already at some phase of readiness in Chelsea, the Licensing Commission is nearing a final vote on regulations for special additional rules for those establishments.

On March 7, the Commission continued a public hearing on the regulations, focusing on the topics of application fees, locations of the pot shops, and security.

Commission Chair Mark Rossi said the Commission should be ready to take a final vote on the regulations at its meeting in early April.

The City is limited to four retail marijuana establishments.

Those shops will already be vetted heavily before they reach the Licensing Commission for final approval. Other approvals include a host agreement in place from the City and approved by the state’s Cannabis Control Commission, as well as any necessary approvals from the City’s Zoning and Planning Boards.

Rossi said the Licensing Commission will grant the retail pot shop licenses in much the same manner as it does for liquor licenses.

One of the questions raised by an early draft of the Licensing Commission regulations was whether the Commission should limit the shops to one

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## Accountability and closure in fatal shooting of Pablo Villeda

Staff Report

A Lynn teen, who was originally from Chelsea, pleaded guilty March 7 as his trial was set to begin on charges that he opened fire during a party three years ago, killing 19-year-old Pablo Villeda and injuring six others.

Emanuel Marrero, 19, pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in connection with Pablo Villeda’s March 6, 2016, shooting death, as well as six counts of armed assault with intent to murder and related charges for injuries suffered by six other young people.

Judge Linda Giles imposed the mandatory sentence of life in prison, ordering that he be eligible for parole after 15 years and that his sentences on the non-fatal shootings be served concurrently. Had he chosen to go to trial, the defendant - who was 16 at the time of the homicide - would have faced a first-degree murder charge.

“We accepted this plea because it delivers a significant

measure of accountability for the defendant’s actions, which took Pablo’s life just as it was ready to begin.” District Attorney Rachael Rollins said. “It also considers all the potential outcomes at trial and on appeal, as well as the defendant’s age at the time of the homicide. Nothing we do can

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Pablo Villeda was killed in an early morning teen party on March 6, 2016 held at a vacant apartment on Washington Avenue. On Thursday, March 7, Emanuel Marrero pleaded guilty in court to his murder.



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special regulations for parking and density and other requirements. It also unlocks \$5 million in state and local funding for the project.

Corcoran Development will assist in developing the 330-unit community on the site of the current housing development. Those units will include the existing 96 public housing units, as well as 40 workforce housing units. The remaining 194 units will be market rate, and with the state and federal grants, will subsidize the replacement of the public housing units.

Overall, the development would have a 41 percent affordable ratio, which is three times as much as what would normally be required by the City and double the state requirements.

For many of the current Innes residents, and for members of the Chelsea Housing Authority, it is a major step forward to replace the current units, which are rundown and decades old.

“It is our dream to live in new apartments that are safe

and decent for our children, elderly, and the disabled,” said Melissa Booth, co-president of the Innes Residents Association.

The Smart Growth overlay district will cover the current footprint of the Innes Development, and puts a premium on affordable housing and access to public transportation.

Chelsea Housing Authority (CHA) board member Bertram Taverna said the Innes redevelopment is the kind of opportunity that the City has not seen for decades.

“We are talking about an opportunity for these 96 families, as well as 40 more affordable housing units,” said Taverna. “Everybody is invested in this project and wholeheartedly all in.”

CHA Executive Director Al Ewing said the redevelopment will give the city the ability to deliver on its promise of providing a home where residents can be proud to live and raise their families.

“This is a win for the City of Chelsea,” said District 8 Councillor Calvin T. Brown.

“Folks are going to see that Chelsea can do this and other cities are going to do this.”

Council President Damali Vidot said it’s been a long road for the Innes project to move forward. The Council voted down a project three years ago because prevailing wages for workers wasn’t on the table.

With prevailing wages now part of the development proposal, the only major issue that gained any traction over the past several months was, unsurprisingly, parking.

While the smart growth zoning is one major step towards getting shovels in the ground for the project, developers will be back before the Council for approval of a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) tax break for the project. That is expected to come before the Council later in the spring.

Vidot said that parking will be addressed in the TIF.

Corcoran is proposing 226 on-site parking spots, with an option to lease another 50 parking spots nearby.

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or two per voting district.

The City ordinance already limits the establishments to three zoning districts -- Industrial, Shopping Center, and Business Highway zones.

By the end of last week’s hearing, there was general agreement among the commissioners that there would not be a restriction on how close the pot shops can be to one other.

City Councillor-At-Large Roy Avellaneda agreed that was the right move on the issue.

“I would oppose any sort of restriction on the number of feet from one place to another,” he said. “We already have zoning in place in the city and we don’t need to add another

layer to that; we don’t do it for other businesses.”

The Commission also agreed on a \$500 application fee and \$5,000 yearly renewal fee for the marijuana businesses.

While there were some questions about the Commission’s role in looking at security at the establishments, City Solicitor Cheryl Watson Fisher noted that there are already strong security requirements from the state, and requirements are also written into the host agreements with the prospective businesses.

Commissioner Roseann Bongiovanni said she would still like to look at the host agreements to see how they address security before taking

the final vote next month.

“I don’t think security is going to be an issue,” said Commissioner James Guido, adding it is more likely traffic that could cause some issues.

According to the proposed regulation, the Licensing Commission would not issue a license to anyone who has violated Licensing Commission rules and regulations in the past five years. All licenses are subject to zoning approval and state Cannabis Control Commission approval.

The operating hours for retail shops will be limited to 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and all signage will have to be approved by the City, according to Fisher.

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required 59 units of affordable housing, the mix will include many different income ranges, including 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI), 50 percent of the AMI and 30 percent of the AMI.

“That’s really deeply affordable and it assures that actual families that live in Chelsea now will be able to afford to live in the complex. That was very important to the City,” he said.

The developer also agreed to contribute \$300,000 to the four schools at the Mary C. Burke Complex, which is about two blocks from the Forbes entrance.

That said, not everyone was happy with the news – and in particular was Councillor Joe Perlatonda, who represents the Mill Hill and Forbes area. He said the problem with the Forbes project is the same as it has always been, and that problem is the fact that there is one access point.

In the first iteration, City officials – including Ambrosino – had called for a bridge over the Chelsea Creek to Revere as a second access point to alleviate traffic in the neighborhood. However, this time around that was not made a requirement, and Perlatonda said he was not happy there was a concession made on that point.

“It’s a shame that no one has thought about the concessions of the residents that live in our neighborhood,” he said. “Right now, with cars parked



An aerial view of the Forbes site. YIHE Forbes was approved Tuesday night for a 590-unit project on the site with some concessions granted to the City and to neighbors. The approval solicited mixed results from the community.

on both sides of the street that go into the Forbes site, and what we have to go through every day. Try getting out of your driveway every day; try driving down the street when you have to dodge cars, and then add 963 parking spaces which is 1.6 cars per unit. But someone seems to forget about the cars they will have for each unit like the mother, father and kids that all have cars, not to mention the visitors or guests that will come with cars. Has anyone thought where to put the overflow of these cars? Our streets are already congested, and getting in and out will be so bad. This is just part of the nightmare.”

GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni said they didn’t believe the project was perfect, but felt there had been reasonable concessions made about their concerns.

“We had a number of concerns relating to the impacts on the neighborhood, and we feel that we have achieved some reasonable concessions from the developers,” she said. “The number of affordable units, deeper levels of affordability and preference for Chelsea residents for those units - together with the mitigation for the adjacent neighborhood and the \$300,000 for

the four schools at the Mary C. Burke Complex are all concessions that we are proud to have fought hard for... GreenRoots is committed to ongoing dialogue - and protest if necessary - to ensure the benefits are for everyone in the community, not just the lucky few who will get to live at Forbes.”

Ambrosino said the site is very large, and that did allow the developer to be able to build large numbers of units by right if they chose to do so and could meet the parking requirements. That, he said, would have cut the City and the neighborhood out of the planning completely. He felt it wasn’t worth the risk to chance that.

“They could have gone in by right and built 450 units and 900 parking spots and got a building permit without any say from the City or the neighbors,” he said.

The project has already cleared Major Site Plan at the Planning Board, but has many hurdles to clear at City Hall in reviewing plans before they can break ground.

It is believed that the developer plans to keep three of the smaller buildings on site and rehabilitate them. The rest of the project will be new construction.

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bring Pablo Villeda back to his loving family, but I hope this final result can at least provide them with closure to this tragic event.”

Chief Brian Kyes said he hopes the prison sentence will bring closure to the family on what was a tragic night in Chelsea three years ago.

“This was certainly a tragic night for everyone involved and one that none of us will soon forget,” said Kyes. “We truly hope that the imposition of this prison sentence by the Suffolk County Superior Court will bring some sense of solace to the family of Pablo Villeda that they absolutely deserve. Senseless acts of violence like this have no place in our neighborhoods and we will continue to work with our community partners to prevent tragedies like this from ever occurring again.”

Chelsea Police responded to 120 Washington Ave. in the early morning hours of March 6, 2016, for multiple calls reporting a disturbance at a party held inside a vacant apartment. They arrived

to find seven people, ranging in age from 15 to 22, suffering gunshot wounds. Pablo was rushed to the hospital but succumbed to his injuries; the surviving victims were treated at Whidden Memorial Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital.

Assistant District Attorney Julie Higgins of the DA’s Homicide Unit was prepared to introduce evidence and testimony showing that the defendant brought a .40 caliber handgun to the party, flaunting it to several other attendees. At some point, the evidence would have shown, the defendant confronted the victim and opened fire. Pablo was mortally wounded and six other people were struck, and fortunately survived their injuries. The defendant fled the scene but was identified in the course of an exhaustive investigation by Chelsea Police detectives and the Suffolk County State Police Detective Unit.

The defendant was represented by attorney Richard Chambers.

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to consider revoking Bar La Cueva’s entertainment licenses.

The attorney for Acapulco said the issue at his client’s establishment is systemic of a larger issue in the city, where security at bars is handled by companies that act almost as paramilitary or law enforcement agencies.

Several commissioners agreed that there is a larger issue that needs to be addressed in the city with bar and liquor establishment security, but noted that Acapulco deserved a more forceful discipline than simply firing its current

security contractor.

“You say security is a problem, but you’ve had the same company for a decade,” Commissioner Roseann Bongiovanni said.

The issues at Bar La Cueva seemed to extend beyond the recent incident where two people were overserved, as several commissioners noted that there have been noise and unruly patron complaints at the bar for years.

In a letter, one neighbor stated that the “karaoke singing by drunks is terribly loud and they overserve their patrons.”

John Dodge, the attorney representing the bar, said for the incident in question, his clients acted responsibly and asked the patrons who appeared to be intoxicated to leave.

But Bongiovanni noted that the bar has been a problem in the past, including racking up a 14-day liquor license suspension about two years ago.

“They have been a complete nuisance and annoyance to the neighborhood; you can roll your eyes all you want,

counselor,” she said to Dodge.

Both the bars got off relatively easy compared to Fine Mart, a liquor and convenience store at 260 Broadway. The Commission suspended the store’s liquor license for a total of six weeks for three offenses, including an incident where an employee struck a woman who was intoxicated in the store, for selling nips after the enactment of the City’s nip ban, and for the sale of alcohol to a minor.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino, an ardent supporter of the City’s ban on 50 ml bottles of alcohol, said there needs to be consequences for businesses that violate the ordinance.

“The ban has been important in the city’s efforts to try to make Broadway a more attractive place to shop and dine,” Ambrosino said. “We’ve spent a lot of money to make it a better place. Having the nip ban in place is an important part of that.” (Fine Mart) has a prominent place in the corridor and has to comply with its license.”

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NEWS Briefs BY SETH DANIEL

DOWNTOWN FAÇADE PROGRAM

Draft ordinances are now before the City Council and Planning Board with recommended changes to signage regulations and new proposed provisions for outdoor dining in the downtown.

The Planning Board will hold a hearing on March 26 to review the ordinances.

The revised signage regulations detail the variety of sign types businesses desire, including creative use of the sign band (that is, the main sign over the business entrance), awnings that include the business name or a descriptor, window graphics, signage for businesses in the upper stories, projecting (sometimes also called blade) signs and sidewalk signs. Chelsea's existing regulations currently limit businesses to just a single sign that is flat on the façade. The proposed ordinances provide a definition for each sign type and address the size and proportion, materials and techniques, and lighting and maintenance for signage.

The goal of the ordinances, along with the companion Broadway Façade Guidelines, is to encourage quality, durable, creative facades in the downtown that reflect the unique character of Chelsea. It seeks to preserve and celebrate the historic architectural design of downtown properties. The Guidelines and the ordinances themselves are intended to be easily understood and enforceable. The ultimate purpose is to make a more attractive and active downtown.

GALLERY 456 EVENTS

As part of Chelsea's celebration of Black History Month, the Lewis Latimer Society presents an exhibit at Gallery 456 featuring three notable former city residents of African descent. See portraits of each notable Black resident of Chelsea's past at 456 Broadway, on display through the end of February.

Keep an eye out for these upcoming events at Gallery 456:

- Empty Bowls, an exhibit by the Chelsea Hunger Network: March 4 to April 18
- Senior Art Show, presented by the Chelsea Senior Center: April 29 to June 3.
- 2019 Year Book, presented by the Chelsea High School Year Book: June 3 through July 8. Opening reception Friday, June 7
- Photography One Person Show, the work of Matt Frank: July to August

UPPER BROADWAY MEETING

The Department of Planning and Development and Department of Public Works are spearheading extensive infrastructure improvements on Broadway, from City Hall Avenue to Revere, with federal transportation funding. The Departments will hold a public hearing to receive input on the preliminary design of improvements and learn about the proposed construction schedule on March 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chelsea Public Library Auditorium. Please contact [HYPERLINK](mailto:HYPERLINK) "mailto:atrain@chelseama.gov" \t "\_blank" atrain@chelseama.gov or 617-466-4192 for more information.

REVALUATION IN 2020

Pursuant to Massachusetts law, the City of Chelsea is required to conduct a comprehensive revaluation of all property in the City for Fiscal Year 2020, which begins on July 1, 2019. As part of this comprehensive revaluation, the Chelsea Assessor's Office must collect data on properties throughout Calendar Year 2019, including conducting interior inspections on a certain percentage of properties in the City. As a result, some property owners will be receiving letters requesting permission for such an interior inspection. When an assessor or a contractor working on behalf of the City to conduct such an inspection actually visits the property, you should ask to see their City issued ID. An assessor will ask only property-related questions. However, the assessor or contractor will never ask about personal information, immigration status, mortgage status, social security number or credit card information during an inspection. It is the City's goal to ensure that all properties are assessed fairly and equitably, so we ask for your cooperation during this effort.

FREE TAX PREPARATION at CAPIC

Despite the government shutdown, the Internal Revenue Service has confirmed that it will process tax returns beginning January 28 and provide refunds to taxpayers as scheduled.

- Official VITA Program start date is Jan. 28
- Drop-offs will be accepted starting Jan. 22
- Days of hours of operation: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 2-8 p.m.
- No appointments are needed as we are a drop off service only.
- Facilitated Self-Assisted Returns (people who do their own returns with guidance/help from CAPIC staff) - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-8 p.m. Please bring your prior year tax return.

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- Picture ID
- Social Security Cards for EVERYONE on your return.
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- IF over age 65 - and you are a homeowner, please bring

with you the annual amount paid for real estate taxes and annual amount paid for water bills (for State return).

Please contact Shelly Thimmer at 617-884-6130, ext. 116

CHELSEA HILLS WALKS

The Chelsea Hill Community has updated its schedule and has new meeting times.

Chelsea Hills will now be meeting every first Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Starbucks at the Mystic Mall. Next meeting will be in 2019.

As for their walks, they will have them every second Saturday at 10 a.m. and every fourth Wednesday at 6 p.m. Locations vary, so please check the Chelsea Hills Facebook page or subscribe to email list.

CHELSEA STREET BRIDGE APP

For those seeking real time information about the Chelsea St. Bridge closures, Massport is operating a Twitter account which alerts drivers whenever the bridge is opening for shipping and closed to traffic. The Twitter account is @LoganToChelsea. This real time information supplements the new vehicular warnings systems now currently active on Broadway and Williams St.

CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

With support from the City, the Chelsea Collaborative will again be offering citizenship classes to Chelsea residents eligible to become a U.S. citizen. Classes include a free citizenship preparation course and application assistance. To learn more about the requirements for these classes and how to apply, please call the Chelsea Collaborative at 617-889-6080 ---Monday- Thursday 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Classes will be at the Chelsea Collaborative located at 318 Broadway.

MASSPORT NOISE COMPLAINT LINE

Residents who are being disturbed by airplane noise are encouraged to call the MassPort Noise Hotline 24 hours a day. The phone number is (617) 561-3333.

SENIOR WATER AND SEWER DISCOUNT

Chelsea senior citizens are reminded to sign up for the new Senior Discount for water and sewer charges. Any senior 65 or older who owns and occupies his/her own home may apply. The discount is 10% off the monthly bill.

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able. It's a good time to buy. You get more bang for your buck. There is room to grow here."

Other advantages for buyers are access to Route 1, the Silver Line, five bus routes, and a commuter rail. Five new hotels in Chelsea also underline the fact that the city is flourishing. The new Encore Casino opens in Everett in June.

Bowen takes personal pride in Chelsea's resurgence. A resident of the city, he was featured in a recent segment on Channel 5's "Chronicle," showcasing all the good things that are happening here.

"Sandra and I are our team and we work well together helping people find the residence of their dreams," said Bowen, who has been No. 1 in the luxury condominium segment of real estate in Chelsea. "I have a relationship with a lender that has a program with rates as low as 3.69 percent on a 30-year fixed mortgage that also includes \$7,000-lender-paid closing costs (for qualified buyers)."

Said Castillo, "Whenev-



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er we go in to a building, we actually get the highest price for the seller. We also get calls from previous buyers and we've been able to double their investment. Our condos don't last very long on the market because they are such

a great value and they have everything people are looking for."

(For more information about Parker Place Condominiums, please email [info@chelsearealestate.com](mailto:info@chelsearealestate.com)).

SCHOOL UPDATES

CHS LIP SYNC CHAMPS

Lip Sync Winners and CHS Math teachers Mr. McCormick and Mr. Smith show off their prize for lip singing the song "What I've Been Looking For" from 'High School Musical.'

DISTRICTWIDE

• Dr. Mary Bourque met with Senator Jason Lewis, the new Co-Chair of the Joint Education Committee, over the past week. Dr. Bourque advocated for a fix to the foundation funding formula this spring – a move that will help Chelsea Schools avoid another round of tough budget cuts.

•Twelve students from Chelsea High School and the Wright Academy will be participating in a student art exhibition this month. They will join student artists from around the Boston area at an East Boston community gallery. The opening reception was Wednesday, March 13. Address: Boston East Com-

munity Gallery, 126 Border Street, East Boston.

•Through Chelsea REACH's partnership with the Child and Youth Violence Prevention unit of the Department of Public Health, REACH students participated in focus groups with the Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative (TLPI) a joint program of Massachusetts Advocates for Children (MAC) and Harvard Law School. Focus groups provided an avenue for students in REACH and across Massachusetts to share their views on what support schools need to create environments that are safe and supportive so that students can learn. Themes from the discussion will be presented to the Commission and the legislature in a written report.

ELC UPDATES

•March Madness at the ELC School Spirit Days. The students enjoyed Crazy Hair and Hat Day as we celebrated everyone's creativeness with a school parade.

•At the ELC, Raising a Reader MA shares different strategies with parents on how to help their child succeed in school. Parents enjoy the activities and the free books that are given to each parent to read to their children.

CLARK AVE UPDATES

•The students at Clark Ave have been tracking the number of books and articles read during reading intervention and the number of math skills completed on IXL during math intervention. Our bulletin board outside of the main office shows our February totals. We are so proud that our students have read 3,907 books and articles and completed 1,429 math skills on IXL.

•The February Sontag Acceleration ELA Academy was a success over February Break. An average of 115 students attended during the week, despite having a snow day Monday of February vacation.

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## HANDS-FREE DRIVING MAKES SENSE

Recent statistics indicate that the single-biggest cause of motor vehicle accidents these days can be attributed generally to what is known as “distracted driving.”

According to some reports, more Americans now are killed on our roads because of distracted driving than from driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

That is why we fully support the legislation recently filed by Gov. Charles Baker that would require all use of a cell phone or other device to be strictly hands-free. It simply is not possible for anyone to keep their eyes on the road while texting, dialing, or reading from an electronic device -- and the epidemic of accidents on our roads is the best evidence of that.

We also support another aspect of Gov. Baker’s bill that calls for the non-use of a seat belt as a primary offense, thereby giving police the authority to stop a motorist and issue a civil citation solely for not wearing a seat belt. Under the present law, a person may be cited for a seat belt violation only if the operator has been pulled over for another offense (such as speeding). Massachusetts is fairly unique in this regard, but the governor’s bill will bring us into line with the majority of other states.

Another key aspect of the bill would require anyone convicted of a first offense for operating under the influence who applies for a hardship license to use an ignition interlock device for a minimum of six months, and be subject to penalties from the Registry of Motor Vehicles for attempting to drive after drinking or tampering with the device.

In our view, drinking and driving should not be allowed at all. But to the extent that we have a 0.08 threshold, imposing the requirement of an ignition interlock device for first offenders is hardly draconian -- anyone who drinks to that extent and gets behind the wheel of a car clearly has a problem.

Moreover, we are in favor of any additional measures that serve as an added deterrent to drinking and driving and thereby improve public safety.



HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY MARCH 17

## LETTERS to the Editor

### FORBES PARK APPROVAL A DISASTER FOR NEIGHBORS

Dear Editor,

After speaking out against the Forbes Park site due to parking issues and the flow of traffic it will cause the abutting neighborhoods, I was very upset to see the Zoning Board’s approval to build 590 units on the site.

The people in favor were the Collaborative, GreenRoots (which sent a letter with their concessions), councillors who have not met or even been approached by developers YIHE Forbes LLC, and concerned neighbors.

City Manager Tom Ambrosino also supported it, even though back in 2015 he said he would not support the project, but understood something needs to go on the Forbes site. On Tuesday, he supported the project, which I couldn’t understand when he and others had stated in the past that if the alternative access problem could not be solved, then any development there will have a big impact.

Ambrosino suggested in the past that an access point using Railroad Street in Revere and crossing over the Mill Creek and into Forbes. That would keep most vehicles out of the Chelsea neighborhood and give exclusive access to the development from major

roadways like Rt. 1, Rt. 1A and the Parkway.

“It’s not a long span across the water and it could be expensive but I don’t think it is insurmountable,” he said in the Chelsea Record in 2015. “You have to address the environmental issues, but if you’re investing \$500 million, it could make sense to think about another \$50 million to solve the access problem.”

So what changed since then? YIHE Forbes LLC states that there will be two entrances 100 feet apart and could be so close to the abutting residential properties that these neighbors have to put up with, and remember there is still only one way access in and one way access out which still doesn’t solve the problem.

And what about an emergency situation? Oh I know, the developer is putting in a helicopter pad for quick access out.

There are other alternatives which were brought up by another councillor like the MBTA building a stop to alleviate some of the traffic problems, but then again it comes down to the almighty dollar, and God knows the developers all have to make money, but at whose expense?

It’s a shame that no one has thought about the concessions of the residents that live in our neighborhood. Right now, with cars parked on both sides

of the street that go into the Forbes site, and what we have to go through every day. Try getting out of your driveway every day; try driving down the street when you have to dodge cars, and then add 963 parking spaces which is 1.6 cars per unit. But someone seems to forget about the cars they will have for each unit like the mother, father and kids that all have cars, not to mention the visitors or guests that will come with cars. Has anyone thought where to put the overflow of these cars? Our streets are already congested, and getting in and out will be so bad.

This is just part of the nightmare.

There is so much more that no one has discussed when the construction starts, like continuous noise, the trucks, the digging, and don’t forget about the lovely rat problem which no one has had now in our area yet.

Get ready.

One thing to remember: Chelsea is Chelsea. This is not the South End, but we all have no problem with welcoming newcomers as long as we don’t let these developers come in to our City and tell us what to do.

People in favor of this project do not live in our neighborhood, so why do we the residents have to put up with something we don’t want?

**Councillor Joe Perlatonda**

### SIMBOLI COLLEGE AWARD NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Dear Editor,

We are happy to report that the Application for the 2019 Simboli Family College Award can now be completed and submitted online at [www.sfcollgeaward.com](http://www.sfcollgeaward.com).

The application deadline is Monday April 22, 2019.

We encourage you to send it to 2019 Graduating Seniors, special clubs at the High School, non-profits that interact with the students and others. The online format makes it easy to email and share within your organization.

We are available to visit with you in person to address any questions and/or to speak to a group of parents and students.

To date, we have over 125 recipients, some of whom have received the Award for two years consecutively. The Award began in 2007. 2019 marks the 13th year of Awardees.

Stay tuned for updates and profiles of some of the how their education from Chelsea High School has led to success.

If you have any questions, please call Patricia Simboli at 617-889-0900.

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## GUEST OP-ED

### Lenten Letter: Summit to protect children and minors was powerful

By Cardinal Seán P. O'Malley, OFM, Cap.

As we begin the holy season of Lent, this annual time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving affords us the opportunity to be renewed by God’s love and mercy as we recommit ourselves to lives of prayer and service to others.

This year, Lent has particular significance for the leadership of the Church at every level, local, national and universal. Recently Pope Francis called bishops from every country in the world to come together at the Vatican for the Summit to Protect Children and Minors. The summit included powerful testimony from survivors of clergy sexual abuse, religious sisters and laypersons who made clear that a meaningful and effective response from the Church is long overdue and of critical importance. I participated in the summit as the President of the Pontifical Commission for Protection of Minors and,

with all present, was deeply impacted by those who addressed us.

Given the depth and seriousness of the crisis and the failures of the leadership of the Church, the expectations for the meeting were high and people are anxious to see concrete results. I left the meeting convinced that no bishop could possibly say that his diocese is not affected by these issues or that this is not a problem in his country and culture. Patience among our people and in the wider community is exhausted and understandably the call is rising for effective action.

A dominant theme at the meeting was the need for an effective reporting mechanism when a Bishop or Cardinal has failed in his duty to protect children or has himself abused children or vulnerable adults. Although I believe an effective set of procedures will be developed by the United States Conference of Cath-

olic Bishops, I nonetheless wish to address this need immediately for the Archdiocese of Boston.

To that end I have decided to implement EthicsPoint, a confidential, anonymous and third-party system, exclusively for the reporting of misconduct by a Cardinal, Bishop or Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Boston. Since 2011 we have utilized EthicsPoint for concerns of potential ethics violations, financial improprieties, and other violations of the Archdiocesan Code of Conduct related to financial matters.

Like the existing system currently in use, this will be web based and have a toll-free hotline to make a report. Reports will be sent to members of my Independent Review Board who will be charged to immediately notify law enforcement for claims of abuse as well as the apostolic nuncio; the diplomatic representative to the U.S. of the Holy

See. The system will be hosted on secured servers at the EthicsPoint facility and is not connected to the Archdiocese of Boston website, intranet system or the existing EthicsPoint system currently in use. We anticipate the system being up and running soon and will provide more information at that time.

In January 2002 the clergy sexual abuse crisis was revealed by the media in powerful and compelling reports on the failures of the Church to protect children. Courageous survivors came forward and forced the Church to face the crisis and accept responsibility for the crimes committed against them. That same year the American Bishops implemented the Dallas Charter of Norms. Where it has been faithfully implemented, it has been effective. But we must aggressively build on the Charter to ensure that there

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“We have an incredible coaching staff that has played a part in the team and Stephanie’s success,” said Alpert. “We are fortunate to have Cesar Hernandez, who is a Red Devil himself and competed on the collegiate level as jumper and has helped bring Stephanie to the next level.

“While Mark Martineau and Adam Aronson (both collegiate-level track athletes) are no longer coaching, Mark laid the mental frameworks for what it means to be a student athlete, and Adam had taken a lot of time to teach the athletes how to be lifters and work their way around a weight room.”

Simon and her teammates



Stephanie Simons soars through the air during one of her attempts in the long jump competition at the 2019 New Balance Nationals.

will begin their outdoor track schedule in April. There is no doubt that Stephanie Simon

is on the radar of college colleges nationwide.

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are clear paths for reporting misdeeds of the hierarchy by utilizing the expertise of independent lay professionals.

During the meeting in Rome, the most powerful moments were when survivors of abuse spoke to us. This confirmed my own experience. The way forward for the Church is to hold as a priority the voices and experience of survivors, to keep them close to every step we take and make all possible efforts to provide the means for them to be heard. In Boston we will continue to provide pastoral care and counseling for survivors. We will continue to carry out programs of prevention and education in our schools and parishes. We will continue to do background checks

annually for bishops, priests, all archdiocesan personnel, and all volunteers who work with children and young people. You may find the depth and breadth of those efforts in the Archdiocese of Boston on our dedicated website at Commitment.BostonCatholic.org.

For more than 26 years my ministry has involved responding to the abuse of minors by clergy. The crisis of sexual abuse by clergy is the greatest failure of the Church in my lifetime. It has eroded our moral authority, it endangers our pastoral, social and educational ministry, but worst of all, it devastates children and families.

We must face our past with transparency. Those who were sexually abused by clergy,

their families and loved ones must always be the central focus of our response to the crisis. Their courage in coming forward has forced the Church to face the crimes committed against them. We are committed to accompanying them on their journey toward healing. Often it is survivors who teach us not to lose hope.

As we strive to live this season with renewed seriousness and commitment we pray and work for renewal in the life of the Church. We are firmly committed to zero tolerance, transparency and accountability, at all times holding survivors as the priority, always being vigilant to do all possible to prevent any harm to children.

POPE JOHN FALLS TO ABINGTON IN STATE SEMIFINAL GAME AT TD GARDEN



Chelsea's Luis Valazquez is stunned as he walks off the floor and Abington teammates celebrate in the background. Abington beat the Tigers 72-72 on a last-second three-pointer.



PATHFINDER: Above, Mekhi Collins tries to find a path to two points.



PICK PLAY: Frankie Imbruglia tries to work off a pick set by teammate Cameron Erickson.



UP AND OVER: Angel Price-Espada leaps in front of teammates Cameron Erickson (35) and Luis Velazquez to snag a rebound during first half action of Pope John's state semifinal game against Abington Tuesday at Boston Garden.

BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins look to start new win streak

The saying is: “All good things must come to an end.” I’m not a believer of that saying, but the Bruins’ back-to-back losses to Pittsburgh and Columbus, for the first time since December, does make one ponder that statement. The pair of losses came at the hands of two teams that are fighting to make the playoffs, so it does add to the equation, but not enough so that Boston was not in a position to win either game. In the 7-4 loss to the Columbus Blue Jackets, the Bs allowed them five quick goals for a 5-1 lead halfway through the game, when Boston was able to score three unanswered goals to close the gap to 5-4, it looked like - ‘game on!’ Despite a power play opportunity, Boston drew a penalty themselves, and the Jackets went on to capitalize on their extra man advantage by putting one in the net to regain their two-goal lead 6-4. Boone Jenner packed some firepower for Columbus, scoring a goal in each period for a ‘hat trick.’

With Tuukka Rask having been pulled after giving up goal number five in the second period, one would think that he had been playing badly, but the fact is that Rask deserved better, as he was afforded little or no support from his defensive corps. His excellent performances that earned him the 16-0-3 streak, came to an end

in Columbus, but he was not the sole problem. With Jaroslav Halak in goal for Boston, the team put forth a stronger effort, as he held on, giving the team a chance to come back. But once again, lack of secondary scoring came to the surface, Patrice Bergeron had put in his fourth short-handed goal of the season just four minutes into the game for a 1-0 margin. After five goals by Columbus, it was a drought for the Bs until Brad Marchand notched goal #29 at 13:07 of the second to make it 5-2 and opened the floodgates for Chris Wagner to put up his 12th goal, and Marchand contributed again, his 30th of the season, to tighten things up at 5-4, and a chance to tie the score.

As mentioned earlier, the defense corps, still lacking the injured Matt Grzelcyk and Kevin Millar, two key components, did not play well. So much so that it led to the benching of Torey Krug, who sat out much of the second period, tallying a minus-5, and nothing on the scoresheet. The youngsters, Peter Cehlarik (0-shots) and Trent Frederic (2-shots and a -2), also showed little promise during their time on ice.

On the plus side, Marchand hit the 30-goal mark for the fourth consecutive season, adding his name to an exclusive Bruins list that includes,

Phil Esposito, Ricky Middleton, Johnny Bucyk, Peter McNab and current Bruins president, Cam Neely. As usual, Bruins coach Bruce Cassidy pulled out some positives from the game, “We made it a game going into the third period down a goal, and gave ourselves a chance to win the game.” Cassidy also admitted that the team needs to do a lot of things better. Kudos to Charlie McAvoy who showed a lot of heart, and fight, taking on Artemi Panarin, to generate a spark for his team’s comeback.

Boston’s three-game road trip, which started badly with two losses, will not get much easier this week, as they face the Winnipeg Jets tonight (Thursday at 8:00pm), to close out their brief road trip. The Jets currently hold first place in the Central Division, and the third spot in the Western Conference standings. On Saturday (3/16 at 7:00pm), the Bruins will have a chance to extract some revenge as the Blue Jackets visit TD Garden, and the locals enjoy the comforts of home. Following Saturday’s contest, the Bruins will embark on another road trip, this time playing four games in seven days (New York Islanders, New Jersey Devils, Florida Panthers, and the Tampa Bay Lightning).

Lime Bike rental program hopes to unveil electric situation in Chelsea

By Adam Swift

When the Lime Bike rental program returns to the streets of Chelsea this spring, riders might notice a little extra oomph in their ride.

Chelsea took part in a program with Lime Bike, along with 16 neighboring communities, last year. Council President Damali Vidot said the bike rentals will be up and running again this year.

However, there will be a difference this year, as Lime is unveiling electric-assisted bicycles throughout the region.

Because electric bicycles are currently not allowed in Chelsea, Vidot has introduced an ordinance to the City Council that would allow for the vehicles as long as they do not travel faster than 15 miles per hour.

“Since the late Summer of 2017, the City of Chelsea has been experimenting with dockless bikes, initially as a pilot with the company Ofo and then, last year, as part of a regional Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) contract with Lime Bike,” City Manager Tom Ambrosino stated in a letter to the Council. “Notwithstanding some minor complaints, I believe the experiment has been successful.”

Last year, more than 4,000 people used the dockless bikes in Chelsea, taking almost 20,000 separate trips, according to the city manager.

“The City would like to continue this dockless bike program in 2019,” stated Ambrosino. “However, there has been a change in the marketplace for dockless bikes. All the companies in this arena are moving away from pedal powered bikes to electric assisted bikes, including Lime Bike.”

To continue with the regional effort with Lime and allow the bikes in Chelsea, the City will have to change the current ordinance that prohibits the vehicles.

“Over the past month, we have explored the options of replacing Lime Bike with another company that might offer dockless pedal only bikes, but no operator is interested in the restriction,” Ambrosino said.

While the change in the ordinance would allow for the electric-assisted bicycles, Ambrosino said there are no plans in the works to allow for electric scooters to operate on public streets.

“I am just alerting the Council that the use of such scooters may soon become ubiquitous in surrounding

communities,” he stated.

Councillor-At-Large Roy Avellaneda said he’s looking forward to the transportation upgrade.

“I’m looking forward to them,” he said. “I took a practice ride, and it was quite fun.”

•In other transportation-related news, Ambrosino told the City Council it should keep the future appearance of autonomous vehicles in the back of its mind.

“Right now, testing of such vehicles is underway in Boston and other communities,” he said.

As with the electric-assisted bicycles, the Council would have to adjust its ordinances to allow for autonomous, self-driving vehicles. A MassDOT and MAPC agreement could allow for a pilot route for the vehicles in the Industrial District.

“It is likely to be some time before autonomous vehicles actually appear on this pilot route,” Ambrosino said. “Again, such testing cannot occur until the City has given express permission. However, I just wanted to give the Council notice that this transportation innovation is moving forward and may someday make its way to Chelsea.”

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SEN. DIDOMENICO HOSTS ANNUAL DIDOMENICO FOUNDATION ST. PATRICK'S DAY BANQUET

Photos by Katy Rogers

Sen. Sal DiDomenico celebrated St. Patrick's Day with his annual banquet at the Bunker Hill Knights of Columbus in Charlestown on Friday evening. Sticking with tradition, political jokes were made, bagpipes were played, and a tasty boiled dinner was served. The fundraiser benefits the DiDomenico Foundation, which assures that disadvantaged children receive gifts during the holiday season each year.



Senate President Karen Spilka spoke at Sen. Sal DiDomenico's fundraiser dinner on Friday night.



State Sen. Sal DiDomenico with State Rep. Dan Ryan at the annual St. Patrick's Day celebration.



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley addressed the crowd at Sen. Sal DiDomenico's annual St. Patrick's Day fundraiser.



State Auditor Suzanne Bump entertained the crowd with a humorous Irish song.



Attorney General Maura Healy attended Sen. Sal DiDomenico's annual St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser on Friday.



Gov. Charlie Baker joined Sen. Sal DiDomenico for the annual St. Patrick's Day fundraiser.



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley and Attorney General Maura Healy joined the DiDomenico family children for a photo op.



Bagpipes were played throughout the hall at the start of the evening.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico was joined by family at his annual St. Patrick's Day dinner.



School Committeewoman Rosemarie Carlisle poses for a photo with Gov. Charlie Baker.





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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

OFFICIALS LOOK TO REVAMP CENTRAL AVE., PARKS

EVERETT - The City is seeking input from residents on a proposal to renovate and revamp two parks up the hill from Ferry Street – with one of them proposed to be a colossal dog park.

The City unveiled plans from Bohler Engineering on Monday at a public meeting cut thin by the snow storm, and the plans call for new concepts at the Central Avenue playground and the Hale School Site on Glendale Street. Both are just around the corner from one another, and City Planner Tony Sousa said they are being viewed as tandem projects.

Both parks are in a heavily and dense residential district on the west side of Broadway, and are funded within the current Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Central Avenue appears to be the most exciting of the two proposals, with a plan to convert the playground into a \$1.1 million dog park.

“Central Avenue is a small parcel and our proposal is to convert it into a dog park with some public gathering space,” he said. “It’s designed to be an active dog park with water features and other elements. It goes beyond the traditional stone dust and grass. We’re putting in a small water splash feature and misting stations with obstacles and equipment. It’s no different than a traditional playground, but it is centered on dogs. It’s not the first dog park, but it’s the first one we’re taking to this level with added amenities like a water feature and obstacle courses for dogs. It’s exciting.”

Then, just around the corner on Glendale Street, the old Hale School site that is now a passive park would be converted to passive and active. The paths and benches would be retained, but new playgrounds would be added throughout the existing park.

“We do plan on putting playgrounds throughout the park space, and we’re also potentially going to make space there for a community garden,” he said.

That project is at a budget of \$1.5 million and all of the play areas would have a rubberized surface and would be ADA compliant.

Naturally, both parks would retain as many existing trees as possible, and new trees would be added along with new landscaping.

Sousa said they hope to bid out both projects as one tandem project in the spring.

“The game plan for these is to put it out to bid later this year an start construction late this fall with a completion in the spring of 2020,” he said.

Ideally, he said, they would hope that one construction firm would big on both parks in order to reduce some of the mobilization costs – especially since they are only about a block from one another.

This would be the first two park projects in central Everett designed by Bohler. However, the company is not new to Everett. They are responsible for the design of the new Encore-funded playground at 7-acre Park – a playground that will be completed by June.

•Another park project on the way this summer is Rossetti Park by Waters Avenue and the Northern Strand Bike Trail. Already, the roller hockey rink has been taken down there, with plans for it to be moved to the seven-acre Park area. Sousa said they have \$1.1 million set aside to re-furbish the tennis courts and landscaping there.

Beyond that, and maybe more exciting, is the City is looking to locate shipping container retail opportunities on the area of the park nearest the bike path. That is an initiative championed by Mayor Carlo DeMaria earlier this year, and Sousa said they have taken his idea and hope to implement it at Rossetti.

“The electricity is already

The Piers Park Sailing Center's Piers Park Sub Zero Aqua Warriors team was the third top fundraiser behind Jetblue and Save the Harbor/Save the Bay during Sunday's Shamrock Splash.

Right, Piers Park Sailing Center Vice Chair Mary Cole took the plunge and helped raise \$4,950 for the PPSC team, the Piers Park Sub Zero Aqua Warriors, during Sunday's Shamrock Splash.

there for the tennis courts, and we're looking to get all of that together,” he said. “That’s a very exciting aspect of this project.”

•Other Park projects in the queue: Phase 2 of Meadows Park (behind St. Anthony’s Church) will go out to bid later this month. Appleton Street Park renovations will also be bid out this spring, and upgrades to Wehrmer Park will also be bid out.

Sousa said it is a credit to the City Council working with Mayor Carlo DeMaria to fund a very active CIP for this year,

SHAMROCK SPLASH



a plan that helps to create new and improved park spaces every year.

CHARGES AGAINST FORESTEIRE OUTLINED

EVERETT - What is detailed in the Everett Police criminal complaint against former Supt. Fred Foresteire – though just an allegation at this point – is shocking and sad to many in the community.

The redacted complaint – which does not contain names of victims or interviewees –

became available to the media late last week, and the 15-page complaint relies on seven interviews with alleged victims, current administrators, City Hall employees, staff members and former employees of the district.

It paints a picture of a man who allegedly obsessed over certain women and allegedly took action – mostly at the School Administration Building – on those feelings.

It was a place, according to the complaint, that was like Las Vegas.

“(The victim) stated that

on one occasion Foresteire allegedly told her that the Administration Building is ‘Like Las Vegas, what happens here stays here,’ read the criminal complaint filed by Everett Police in Malden District Court.

The allegations in the voluminous report are graphic, but particularly for two of the victims – and some of the incidents are being corroborated by current and former school employees who told police they were informed of the allegations long before the con-

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## OBITUARIES

### Rita Alma Moscatelli

Aug. 14, 1932 — March 12, 2019

Rita Alma (Gallant) Moscatelli, a lifelong resident of Chelsea, passed away on Tuesday, March 12 at the Eastpointe Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Chelsea where she had been receiving supportive care for the past several months. She was 86 years old.

Born and raised in Chelsea, she was the youngest of 10 children of the late Ceofred and Julia (Perry) Gallant. Rita attended local schools and, as a young lady, she worked for a time at American Optical in Chelsea. At work she met Severino “Sam” Moscatelli. They married in 1956, sharing the last 62 years with love and devotion to her beloved husband raising a daughter and three sons.

During her lifetime, Rita enjoyed many trips with her husband or cousins to Las Vegas, Atlantic City and Foxwoods. She enjoyed driving family and friends on varied errands and excursions. She was always available to help or lend a hand to her family, rarely ever refusing any request for help. Her life was one of unconditional love and devotion to her family and friends alike.

In addition to her parents, Rita was also predeceased by her nine siblings: Aldine Catalano, Gerald, Kevin, John, Fred, Robert, Paul and Joseph Gallant, Frances Gallant and her granddaughter, Alyssa Nanopoulos. She is survived by her beloved husband, Severino M. “Sam” Moscatelli of Chelsea and was the forever devoted mother of Nancy Nanopoulos and her husband, Andy of Wakefield, Tommy Moscatelli, Sr. and his wife, Donna of Newton, Robert



Moscatelli and his wife, Audrey of Phoenix, Ariz. and Bruce Moscatelli and his wife, Nicole of Lynn; cherished grandmother of Tom Moscatelli, Jr., Christopher Moscatelli and his wife, Corey, Anthony Moscatelli, Michael Nanopoulos and Nicole Moscatelli. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, grand-and great-grand nieces and nephews.

Her Funeral will begin from the Frank A. Welsh & Sons Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Saturday, March 16 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a funeral mass at the Immaculate Conception Church, 133 Beach St., Revere at 10:30 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Visiting hours will be held at the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. The funeral home is fully handicap accessible, ample parking opposite funeral home.

Should friends desire, contributions in her memory may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105

Arrangements by Anthony Memorial – Frank A. Welsh & Sons.

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trovery erupted publicly last fall.

One of the victims was a long-time employee with the schools who, among other allegations, said her troubles began when she went into work at the Administration Building on a Sunday in 2012 or early 2013.

The problem started when her friend dropped her off and Foresteire allegedly asked her if that was her “lesbian lover.”

Soon after, she alleged that Foresteire came towards her and unzipped her sweat jacket and allegedly began kissing her neck and chest area. She pushed him away and told him to stop, and then he allegedly suggested she go into an adjacent room and “bend over” so he could come up behind her.

As that unfolded a co-worker arrived and the day went on without incident.

However, when they were leaving, she went to tell him they were going home.

At that point, she began to leave the conference room and Foresteire allegedly pushed her up against a filing cabinet and forced her legs apart and allegedly rubbed his genitals on her. She was able to break free and flee the building.

On the following Monday,

she said it was like nothing had happened.

The victim said that in her two years at the Administration Building, there were alleged routine harassments, and Foresteire would allegedly try to find opportunities when no one was around to touch her inappropriately. Early in 2013, however, she was finally told she would be re-assigned. However, the re-assignment she ended up with was not what was promised. She told police that was allegedly because Foresteire said she had told people about the alleged incidents.

Soon, she was working the switchboard at an elementary school. During the first year at that assignment, the victim said Foresteire would allegedly call the switchboard to speak with her. When he was assured it was the victim, he would allegedly ask her sexually explicit questions. During the final two years of her employment, this time at a different school, she said all of the alleged harassment stopped as if it had never happened.

According to the complaint, one of Foresteire’s alleged common activities was to call

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John J. “Jack” Ford, Jr. passed away unexpectedly in his home on Tuesday, March 5. He was

63 years old.

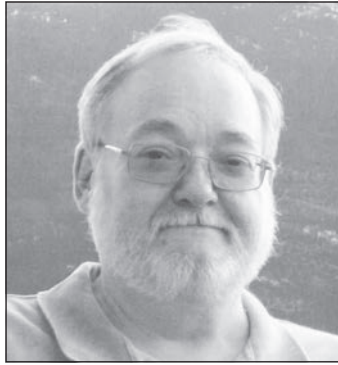
Born and raised in Chelsea, a son of the late John J., Sr. and Frances (Majeski) Ford, Jack attended local schools and graduated from Chelsea High School.

Upon graduating, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served during the Vietnam era. He was honorably discharged from the Air Force at the rank of sergeant in 1977.

A resident of Chelsea for most of his life, he later he moved to Malden and Revere before settling in Saugus a few years ago. Jack worked for the past 12 years as a Pharmacy Technician at the Everett Costco Pharmacy and was planning his retirement at the time of his passing.

Jack enjoyed reading, traveling and computer games. He favored watching history programs and legal dramas and was a member of the V.V.A. Chapter 908.

He is survived by his beloved wife Grace Siu Chu



of Saugus and the loving father of John Richard “Ricky” Ford of England and the late Patricia J. Ford, dear brother of Carol Ford of Chelsea, Michael and Beverly Ford of Saugus and the late Brian W. Ford, Sr. He was also the adored grandfather of Jackson Ford.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated in St Rose of Lima Church on Tuesday. Services concluded with military honors and internment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Anthony Memorial - Frank A. Welsh & Sons Chelsea.

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

### Trina 'Peanut' Louise Wilkerson

March 7, 1973 — March 6, 2019

Trina “Peanut” Louise Wilkerson passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 6 at the CHA-Whidden Memorial Emergency Department in Everett following heroic lifesaving attempts by EMTs and doctors. She was 45 years old.

Born in Boston, she was the beloved daughter of the late James Julian and Irena Ann Wilkerson. Trina was a lifelong Chelsea resident where she was active in community affairs.

She was a graduate of Chelsea Senior High School and attained an Associates Degree from Bunker Hill Community College. Trina was a devoted Youth Worker at Hyde Park Community Center.

As a youth, during the summer months, Trina worked for Choice Through Educations Upward Bound Program. She volunteered her time serving the youth of Chelsea as a cheer leading coach for Chelsea Pop Warner and Chelsea High School. She was a devoted member and volunteer at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Malden where she taught the Zeta Amicae and the Chelsea Black Community and was the 2017 recipient of the CBC Trailblazer Award. In 2016, due to the benefit that she and her brother host every March in honor of their mother, Trina was recognized by Massachusetts General Hospital for her fundraising efforts for the Cancer Society. She will forever be remembered as the party-planner extraordinaire and a mentor to many.

She leaves to mourn her passing her devoted brother, Reginal James and sister-in-law, Marisol of Everett, grandmother Louise Robinson of Chelsea, nephews: Reginal James II, Demetreus James,



Derrick William, and Emmanuel Alexander, nieces Briyana Monique and Alexxa Quianna and a great-nephew and great-niece Mason and Madison. Also to mourn her passing and cherish her memory, she leaves her great-aunts; Mamie Bridges of Chelsea, Elizabeth Mitchell and Minnie Marshall and a great uncle, Franklin Robinson, all of Albany, Georgia and her beloved aunts and uncles: Gwendolyn Greene of North Carolina, Mamie Robinson-Lopez (Michael), James Robinson Jr., Terry Robinson and Margaret Robinson, all of Chelsea, Jacqueline Robinson-Perry of New Jersey, Bessie Mae Robinson (Keith), Larry Wilkerson (Pauline) both of North Carolina, Michael Wilkerson (Pamela) of Indiana. She is also survived by a host of cousins, all of her kids from her East Boston, Hyde Park and Chelsea Community Centers and countless extended family members, loved ones and friends.

Relatives and friends joined the family on Wednesday at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 20 Hillside Ave., Malden for a visitation and Home Going Service. Her committal service will begin today, Thursday, March 14 at the church at 10 a.m. and will conclude with a procession to Trina’s final resting place at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

Arrangements are by Anthony Memorial – Frank A. Welsh & Sons, Chelsea.

### Virginia Forgione

retiree of the former Cool-Ray Inc. of Chelsea

Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours today, Thursday, March 14 in the Vertuccio and Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Route 107) Revere from 4 to 8 p.m. for Virginia M. (Russo) Forgione who passed away after a brief illness on Sunday, March 10 at Care One at Essex Park Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing of Beverly.

Her funeral will be conducted from the funeral home on Friday, March 15 at 10 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere at 11 a.m. and immediately followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery, Winchester.

Mrs. Forgione was born in Winchester almost one hundred years ago on Sept. 22, 1919 and worked as a packer for the former “Cool Ray Inc.” of Chelsea for over 30 years.

She spent most of her adult life on Carroll St. in Chelsea before moving to the Victory Gardens of East Boston.

Her joy was time spent with her family and a family luncheon date or early supper date. Virginia also belonged to the Chelsea Senior Center, where she enjoyed many social functions.



Her beloved late husband, George J. Forgione, Sr., passed on April 21, 1993. She was the cherished mother of George J. Forgione, Jr. and his wife, Janet of Boxford and Joan F. DeNapoli and her husband, Paul R. DeNapoli. She was the devoted grandmother to Kristina E. Forgione and her husband, Fahd Cynndy of Saudi Arabia and Korinne G. Bryant and her husband, Kyle Bryant of New Hampshire; the dear sister of the late Victor Russo and his late wife, Louise Russo and the late James Russo. She is also lovingly survived by four great-grandchildren, Faris, Tariq, Ziyad and Brody and a fifth eagerly anticipated great grandchild is due in May. Several nieces and nephews also survive Virginia.

For more information, please visit [www.vertuccio-andsmith.com](http://www.vertuccio-andsmith.com).

### Hector Iriszarry Seda

Jan. 13, 1953 — March 5, 2019

Hector Irizarry Seda passed away suddenly on Tuesday, March 5 in his home in Providence, R.I. He was 66 years old.

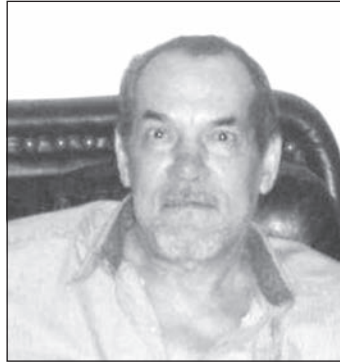
Born and raised in Yauco, Puerto Rico, he was one of 10 children of the late Juan Irizarry and Cruz Seda. Hector settled in Chelsea and resided here for many years before relocating to Providence six years ago.

Hector worked for Trio’s Pasta in Chelsea for over 20 years, retiring when the factory closed several years ago. In his lifetime, Hector enjoyed fishing and salsa music.

He was the devoted father of Iris Beatriz Irizarry of Revere, Hector Luis Irizarry of Fall River, Tawany Irizarry of Chelsea, Shara Jasmin Irizarry of Providence, R.I., Sheila Taimara Irizarry of Everett and Edelsein Irizarry of Somerville; dear brother of Juan Irizarry and Berman Irizarry, both of New York, Efrain Irizarry, Angel Irizarry and Wilfredy Irizarry, all of Puerto Rico, Isabel Irizarry and Elba Irizarry, both in Massachusetts and the late Benjamin Irizarry and Luznery Irizarry.

He is also survived by 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

His Funeral will be held at the Frank A. Welsh & Sons Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday, March 14 at 1 p.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Ev-



erett. For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFuneralHome.com](http://www.WelshFuneralHome.com).

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TOWN OF WINTHROP  
LEGAL NOTICE  
# 004-2019

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 17 of the Code of the Town of Winthrop that the Winthrop Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, March 28, 2019, at or after 7:00 p.m. in the Joseph Harvey Hearing Room, Town Hall, Winthrop, Massachusetts, 02152 upon the application of John Bartkow seeking a Special Permit to operate a Bed and Breakfast/Transient Lodging at the existing home located at 43 Triton Ave., Winthrop, MA 02152 in accordance with Section 17.49 of the Town of Winthrop's Zoning By-Law, which permits a bed and breakfast to operate as an accessory home occupation use within a private residence. It shall be unlawful to conduct a Bed & Breakfast/Transient Lodging accessory use without a Special Permit granted by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The owner is applying for a Special Permit for a Bed & Breakfast/Transient Lodging and will be renting a total of 1 bedroom for no more than fourteen days, in accordance with the by-law. The home has 1 full bathroom that will be designated for guests and a driveway for parking 4 vehicles. Copies of the aforementioned application and plans are on file and available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Monday through Thursday during the normal business hours. Darren Baird, Chairman Winthrop Board of Appeals

March 14, 2019  
March 21, 2019

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF HEARING  
Case No. 2018-39-A  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section

34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center — 10 Riley Way — Chelsea, MA  
With reference to the revised application on remand from the Land Court of: 1005 Broadway, MM LLC For Major Site Plan approval and Special Permit recommendation to construct a four (4) story structure with proposed thirty-eight (38) residential dwelling units which does not meet minimum zoning requirements for rear yard setbacks, number of off-street parking spaces and which also exceeds side yard setbacks and maximum lot coverage at the premises known as: 1001 and 1005 Broadway  
All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
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LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF HEARING  
Case No. 2018-60  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center — 10 Riley Way — Chelsea, MA  
With reference to the application of: Anthony Quiles For a Major Site Plan Approval for a 20,470 square foot residential structure with 44 parking spaces which does not meet the current minimum zoning requirements for off-street parking spaces at the premises known as: 176-178 Washington Avenue  
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All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
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LEGAL NOTICE



RESCHEDULED  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
Case No. 2019-01  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 34-215 of Chapter 34 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m. Chelsea Senior Center — 10 Riley Way — Chelsea, MA  
With reference to the application of: The Western Front, LLC For Major Site Plan approval and Special Permit recommendation to establish use as a retail marijuana facility which does not meet current minimum zoning requirements for number of off-street parking spaces at the premises known as: 121 Webster Avenue  
All interested parties should attend the hearing or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the application and petition is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
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Docket No. SU18D2015  
Bernice Dizon vs. Steven Dizon  
To the Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff(s), Bernice Dizon seeking a divorce, pursuant to Supplemental Probate Court Rule 41 I, an Automatic Restraining Order has been entered against the above named parties, and that the said defendant cannot be found within the Commonwealth and that his/her present whereabouts are unknown; that personal service on said defendant is therefore not practicable, and that said defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action.  
You are required to serve upon: Bernice Dizon - whose address is 19 Dartmouth St., Apt. #2 Somerville, MA 02145 - your answer, if any, on or before enter date 18th day of April, 2019.  
If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.  
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 21, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
3/14/19

LEGAL NOTICE



CHELSEA TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 90 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Conference Room  
City Hall, 500 Broadway  
Pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment regarding a request for the Commission to review the current parking situation on Hawthorn Place due to a recent residential complaint.  
Per Order  
Chief Brian A. Kyes  
3/14/19

Chairperson  
3/14/19, 3/28/19

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Karma Therapeutics  
Notice is hereby given that a Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Adult-Use Marijuana retailer and Medical Marijuana Dispensary is scheduled for Thursday March 21st 2019 at 6pm at 305 Commandants Way, Commoncove co-working, Chelsea, MA 02150. The proposed Adult-use Marijuana retailer and Medical Dispensary is anticipated to be located at 359 Beacham st. in Chelsea. There will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions or raise concerns. Please note that this will be the second of a series of community meetings we plan on having. Please Contact Michael Koeller or Ramello Frometa at 857-323-0323 or email karmatherapeutics617@gmail.com for any questions or concerns.  
3/14/19

LEGAL NOTICE

Karma Therapeutics  
Por la presente se da aviso de una reunión Comunitaria para un proposito de un establecimiento de marijuana y un dispensario de marijuana medica. Esta reunión está programada para el Jueves, 21 de Marzo de 2019 a las 6:00 pm en la 305 Commandants Way, Commoncove co-working, Chelsea, MA 02150. El proposito, que será para uso adulto, de un establecimiento de marijuana y un dispensario de marijuana medica se anticipa que se ubicará en la 359 Beacham Street en Chelsea. Habrá una oportunidad para que el público haga preguntas o para expresar sus preocupaciones. Favor de tomar en cuenta que esta será la segunda de una serie de reuniones comunitarias que planeamos tener. Favor de comunicarse con Michael Koeller o Ramello Frometa al 857-323-0323 o enviar un correo electronico al karmatherapeutics617@gmail.com para cualquier pregunta o duda.  
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LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA  
INVITATION FOR BIDS  
CLEANING SERVICES AT  
THE CHELSEA POLICE  
STATION

Sealed bids to furnish all services to provide Institutional (Building) Cleaning Services for the City of Chelsea Police Department. Invitation for Bid documents are available on or after March 13, 2019 by contacting Dylan Cook, Chief Procurement Officer at dcook@chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website http://www.chelseama.gov/purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "CLEANING SERVICES AT THE CHELSEA POLICE STATION" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 1:00 PM on Thursday, March 28, 2019. The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any bid, to reject and/or all bids 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. This invitation for bid is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30B. Dylan Cook Chief Procurement Officer  
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NOTICE

The Massachusetts State Lottery Commission will offer a KENO monitor to display the game to duly qualified existing KENO To Go agents, as listed below:  
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Dorchester, MA 02150  
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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE  
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Vilma Rodriguez to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for American Home Mortgage, its successors and assigns, dated April 30, 2007 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 41711, Page 61, subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust, Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-5 by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 51071, Page 277 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on March 28, 2019 at 105 Washington Avenue, Chelsea, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit: The land with the buildings thereon in said Chelsea in said Commonwealth being now numbered 105 Washington Avenue, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on Washington Avenue at the Southeasterly corner of land formerly of John Taylor, thence running SOUTHEASTERLY by land late of said Taylor, One hundred two (102) feet; thence turning and running SOUTHWESTERLY along land deeded by Samuel W. Mason to John Q. Hanson, Fifty (50) feet; thence turning and running NORTHWESTERLY by a line drawn parallel with the first described land and fifty (50) feet distant therefrom, one hundred seven (107) feet to said Washington Avenue; thence thence turning and running NORTHEASTERLY by said Washington Avenue, Fifty (50) feet three (3) inches to the point of beginning. Being the same premise conveyed to Ricardo Figueroa and Iris D.

Figueroa from Mary Teresa Sefchuck a/k/a Mary Theresa Sefchuck dated October 22, 1998 recorded in Book 23062, page 206. A deed from Iris D. Figueroa n/k/a Iris D. Vargas and Ricardo Figueroa to Vilma Rodriguez to be recorded. The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs. TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgage, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HarborView Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-5 Present Holder of said Mortgage, By Its Attorneys, ORLANDS PC PO Box 540540

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LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA  
INVITATION FOR BIDS  
UPGRADE OF EXISTING  
LED STREET LIGHTS  
The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for "Upgrade of Existing LED Street Lights". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after March 13, 2019 by contacting Dylan Cook, Chief Procurement Officer at dcook@chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website at http://www.chelseama.gov/purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Upgrade of Existing LED Street Lights" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 2:00PM on Thursday, March 28, 2019. 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 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 Invitation for Bids is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30, 39M. Dylan Cook Chief Procurement Officer  
3/14/19

LEGAL NOTICE



NOTICE OF HEARINGS  
Zoning Amendments  
Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Zoning Act, MGL Ch. 40A, Section 5 and Chapter 34, Section 34-4 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, that a Public Hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held on Monday, April 1, 2019 6:00 p.m. City Hall — 500 Broadway, Conference Room (305) — Chelsea, MA 02150  
Chelsea City Council has referred proposed amendments to the Chelsea Zoning Ordinance regarding zoning rules to:  
• Properly regulate improvements to business districts, including but not limited to outdoor cafes, signage and façade improvements  
• Add Short-Term Rentals as a new definition to Section 34-241 — Definitions and as a Use to the list of Residential Uses in Subsection A of Section 34-300, The Table of Principal Use Regulations  
• Amend Section 34-156, Inclusionary Housing, to replace the existing definition of "Qualified income eligible household", to replace "applicability" with at least 15 percent of the dwelling units shall be affordable housing units (AHU) providing a mix in equal quantities at or below 30 percent AMI, 50 percent AMI and 80 percent AMI and that the fee in lieu of providing one or more AHUs shall be a minimum of \$400,000 per required AHU not provided within the development.  
All interested parties should attend the hearings or provide written comment to the Board. A copy of the proposed amendments is available for review at the Office of the City Clerk, 500 Broadway, Room 209, Chelsea, MA.  
Per order Tuck Willis, Chairman  
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select women on the switchboard and ask them sexually explicit and graphic questions .

Another victim, who worked at the Administration Building in 2017 and 2018, detailed other incidents where Foresteire would allegedly call and ask explicit questions. The woman said she did not report it for fear of losing her job and not being able to provide for her children.

That victim told police she felt Foresteire was allegedly obsessed with her, leading her to enlist friends and other victims to help her so she would not be alone in the building.

"The victim told me that Foresteire was allegedly obsessed with her and that he would allegedly often touch her," read the report. "She told me that he has on countless occasions allegedly put his hand on her and allegedly grabbed her butt. She stated that he would allegedly parade her around the School Administration Building as if to show her off. When he saw her, he would allegedly make her stand up and turn around so that he could look at her and inspect what she was wearing."

That victim also detailed two alleged incidents, one in 2017 and one in 2018, when

Foresteire allegedly ripped her shirt and bra off with force, and allegedly began to kiss her exposed chest — which she indicated terrified her. It wasn't long after that, she told police, that she began to complain and was finally terminated.

Another former principal in Everett corroborated many of the accounts, and also reported another alleged account of a teacher who Foresteire allegedly tried to pull her clothes off during a visit to the school. The principal had written notes on the incident from 2011 that she had kept, and turned them over to police. The teacher had not wanted to report the matter so as not to risk her job, but she did request that the principal allegedly notify her if Foresteire was coming to the building so she could make sure she wasn't alone.

That principal also alleged she was the subject of a lewd comment, allegedly, by Foresteire. She alleged that after attending a School Committee meeting, the next day Foresteire called to tell her he liked to look up her dress when she sat in the front row of the meetings.

"(The principal) told me that Foresteire allegedly would 'accidentally' rub

against or touch her breasts," read the report. "She told me that if she reacted, Foresteire would allegedly apologize as if it was unintentional, but if she didn't react, he would say nothing."

To counter all of the allegations, a current high-ranking female official in the School Administration — the former director of curriculum according to the report — told police she has never heard anyone tell her of any harassment or assault by Foresteire.

"She told me that no one ever told her about Mr. Foresteire acting inappropriately," the report read. "She told me that she was the director of curriculum and that it was not her position, that any reports would go to the Title 9 director. I then asked her specifically if she recalled speaking with either (Victim 1) or (Victim 2) about Mr. Foresteire and she told me no."

Several more incidents were detailed in the criminal complaint, which are just allegations. It has been pointed out by DA Marian Ryan consistently that Foresteire is innocent until proven guilty.

In the report, Attorney Mark Rotondo is mentioned as representing some of the victims. Contacted by the Independent, he said he would

not comment on the specifics.

"This cannot be tried in the news," he said. "Even Fred Foresteire is entitled to due process of law. It will be up to a jury of his peers to determine if he is guilty beyond a reasonable doubt."

Attorney Tara Swartz has been handling cases for three victims who have filed complaints with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD). She is also mentioned in the complaint, and issued a statement last week.

"My firm represents three women who filed sexual harassment claims with the MCAD against the former Superintendent of the Everett Public Schools, Frederick Foresteire," she wrote. "My clients have always believed that they are not alone in what they endured during their employment with EPS. They remain resolute in the pursuit of their claims, as well as their hope that coming forward will assist in effectuating real change within the school system. We have no comment about the criminal charges announced today against Mr. Foresteire. We will let due process unfold and the evidence to be presented for a jury to decide."

The Everett Teachers As-

sociation said they were disturbed by the charges and said they would support their members who have been victimized.

"These are very disturbing charges," wrote President Kim Auger. "The Everett Teachers Association has taken important steps to support any members who may have been victimized and we will continue to do so."

Foresteire's attorneys, Spruce Law, have not returned repeated phone calls to comment on the allegations.

Foresteire is due in Malden District Court on April 4 for an arraignment on seven charges.

APAC'S EITC PROGRAM IN FULL SWING

EAST BOSTON - Most people don't want to think about it, but it's the time of year to begin thinking about filing their 2018 tax returns. For many working people in East Boston there's some relief from the confusing process of figuring out taxes.

East Boston APAC, in partnership with the City of Boston, kicked off its annual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) program at

its office on Meridian Street. The office will be opened Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to help begin the tax filing process. Taxes for qualifying residents can be done through appointment by calling the APAC office at (617) 567-8857.

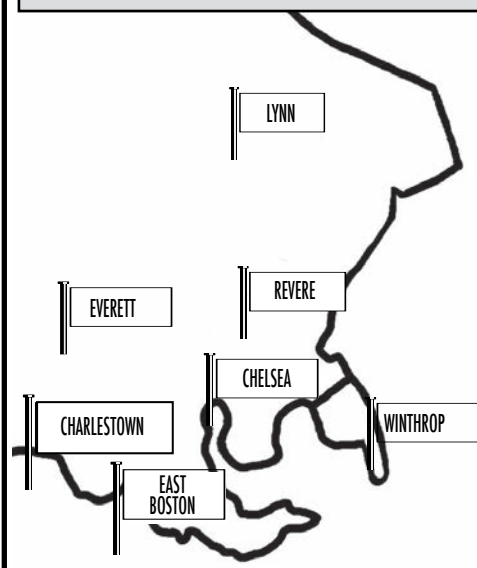
For many working people in Eastie the program has provided some relief from the confusing process of figuring out taxes. Qualified hard working low-wage workers often receive significant EITC credits and see a big increase in their tax returns through the free program. This is money that can directly help low-income residents who work hard for their money. It can be used to pay the heat, food and rent costs that are weighing people down.

Last year, APAC returned over \$1 million back into the pockets of Eastie residents through the EITC program. APAC was one of several free tax preparation sites in the city that made filing taxes trouble-free for hundreds of Eastie's low-income residents and families.

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## Baker-Polito administration announces Greening the Gateway Cities Planting Season in Chelsea

The Baker-Polito Administration this week encouraged residents and business owners within the City of Chelsea to participate in the Greening the Gateway Cities Program (GGCP) during the upcoming spring planting season, which will commence on April 16 through June 28 (the fall planting season will be from September 2 through November 16).

As a participant, trees are provided free of charge and are planted by Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) work crews in an effort to reduce energy use in urban neighborhoods by lowering heating and cooling costs.

“By increasing the tree canopy within urban communities, the Baker-Polito Administration is able to improve air quality, reduce energy consumption, and further beautify neighborhoods,” said DCR Commissioner Leo Roy.

“The Department of Conservation and Recreation is pleased to have strong local partners who have worked closely with the agency to implement successful initiatives like the Greening the Gateway Cities Program.”

The Greening the Gateway Cities Program aims to plant 520 more trees in the City of Chelsea in addition to the 1,880 trees that have already been planted within the community. Since 2014, more than 19,000 trees have been planted by the GGCP in several Gateway Cities throughout the Commonwealth. The program specifically targets areas with a lower tree canopy, older housing stock, higher wind speeds, and larger renter populations. In addition, plantings are concentrated in Environmental Justice

neighborhoods to benefit those most in need. Within planting areas, temperature, energy use, and other information is tracked to document the energy savings new trees provide to residents over time. Pilot cities in which this monitoring is taking place include Chelsea, Fall River, and Holyoke.

Trees in close proximity to a home shade structures and lower surface temperatures. Trees up to 1,500 feet away from a home also provide important benefits to the community, such as clean air, increase in property values, reduction in noise pollution, and the creation of habitats for wildlife. Additionally, in the winter months, tree trunks and branches help to randomize wind patterns and decrease heat loss by air infiltration in poorly insulated homes. Furthermore, GGCP tree

plantings benefit the local economy through the purchasing of trees at local nurseries and employing local planting crews.

To be eligible, residents and property owners must agree to a two-year watering commitment to ensure the trees’ survival. Easy care instructions are provided by DCR to tree recipients addressing watering, mulching, and pruning. When a potential tree recipient registers, a DCR forester will visit their home to determine the best location and species of tree for energy efficiency. Foresters also conduct year-round site visits and are available to answer questions. To order a free tree, property owners and residents should call 617-626-1459 or visit HYPERLINK "https://www.maurbancanopy.org/" At "\_blank" MAURbanCanopy.org.

## AROUND THE CITY

### AN EXPLOSION OF COLORS

Atlantic Works Gallery features new members’ Krystle Vermes, Sandrine Colson, Renato Viganego and Dan Hofstadter’s works through March 30. Third Thursday reception is March 21, 6-9 p.m., 80 Border St., Boston. Gallery hours are Fridays, Saturdays, 2-6 p.m., or by

appointment, 867-302-8363.

### CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Winthrop Cultural Council features the Clock Tower Gallery Exhibit, “Celebrating Women’s History Month,” including a special event, Unsung Heroines of World War II, a multimedia lec-

ture and Presentation by History at Play, March 16, 2-4 p.m., EB Newton and Cultural Center, 45 Pauline St., Winthrop. winthropculturalcouncil.org.

### SALOME: WOMAN OF VALOR

The spoken word opera, featuring interpretative dance, poetry, music and multimedia, is performed March

13, 7:30-9 p.m., at Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Cambridge. artist talkback follows performance. Reserved seats, \$25/\$40. Also, Ethiopian Israeli singer Gili Yolo and the Anbessa Orchestra perform songs in Amharic, Hebrew and English, March 28, at 8 p.m., at the Somerville Armory, Highland Avenue, Somerville.

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Friends and neighbors painted ceramic bowls and mugs with happy colors and patterns on March 7 at The Salvation Army. The decorative pottery will be displayed with chowder, soups, and Toscanini's ice cream during The Chelsea Hunger Network's eighth annual Chelsea Empty Bowls, on Thursday, April 18, 5-7 p.m., at The Williams Building cafeteria to raise awareness and funds to help alleviate hunger in the community. For Chelsea Empty Bowl tickets and more information call (617) 889-8598, or email RFishman1@Partners.org.



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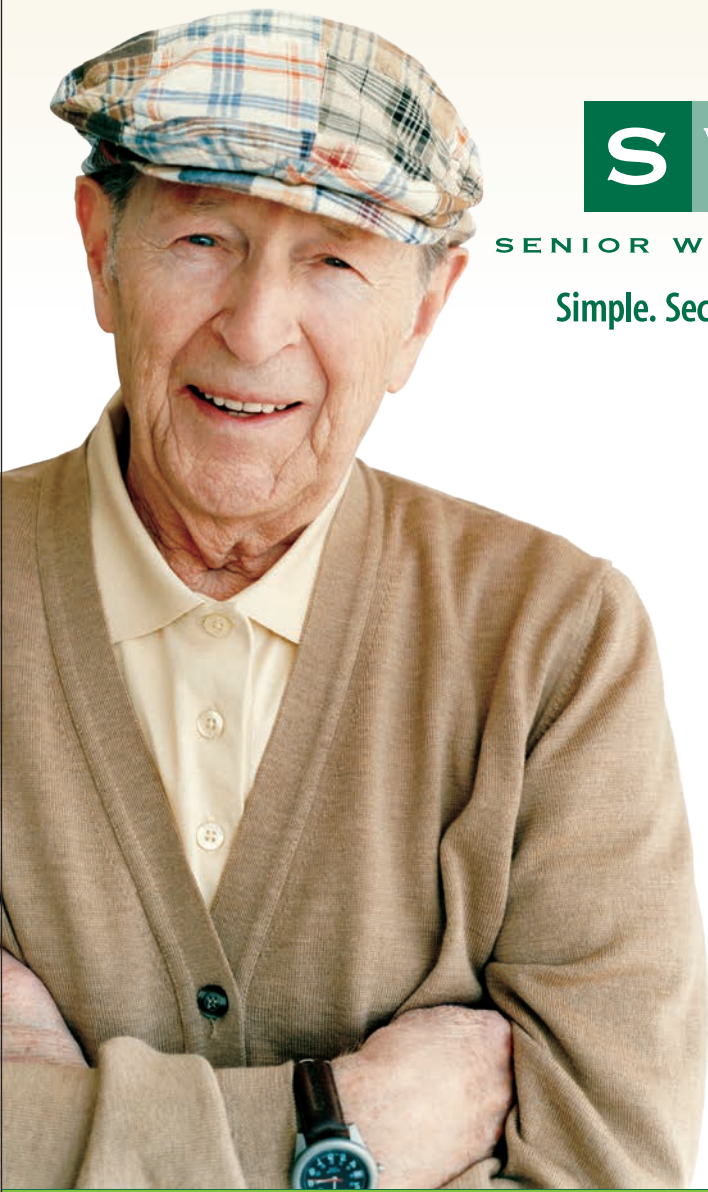
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