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Encore Boston Harbor sets record again

By Seth Daniel

Encore Boston Harbor reported record earnings during an investor call on Monday, with the casino and hotel leading all other Wynn properties in the first quarter of 2021.

While all eyes were on the Macau (China) properties, which is typically the focus of such investor calls, Wynn Resorts CEO Matt Maddox had nothing but praise for the performance of Encore coming out of the pandemic - and the numbers backed up that enthusiasm.

"We achieved record EBITDA of \$30 million over the quarter and that's even with restricted operating hours, and quite significant COVID restrictions in the month of January," said Maddox. "That trend has continued. In fact, in the second quarter thus far, our daily EBITDA is up 30 percent compared to the first quarter. Encore Boston Harbor is hitting on all cylinders now. We've been able to really rationalize the cost, run the building more efficiently and focus on our casino customers so we can be the top super-regional casino in the Northeast. I believe Encore Boston Harbor is going to continue to grow quarter over quarter throughout this year as that property and that management team are really doing an amazing job."

EBITDA stands for before interearnings est, taxes, depreciation and amortization, and is a standard way to measure revenues in public compa-

The record earnings at Encore of \$30.3 million was up from \$26 million generated in the 3rd quarter of 2020 - one of the last quarters where the resort casino was mostly open fully.

Compared to last year's first quarter, the casino business was doing extremely well, growing by 9.5 percent over the first quarter in 2020. In fact, the \$111.4 million in casino revenues outpaced other North American Wynn properties. In Las Vegas, the casino operations did \$79.9 million, which was a growth of 12 percent over the first quarter 2020. EBITDA in Las Vegas was \$28.08 million for the first quarter of 2021, meaning Encore outpaced Vegas in earnings as well.

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The Garcia Vega sisters, Kelly and Tanairi, announced they would be running a slate in District 7 for City Council and School Committee in this year's Municipal Election. Pictured here are School Committee Chair Kelly Garcia Vega, their mother Socorro Vega, Tanairi Garcia Vega, her daughter Tanairi Camacho, and her son, Nathaniel Vega Garcia. Tanairi said she will run for District 7 Council, with Kelly running for re-election to District 7 School Committee.

Garcia-Vega sisters look to run a slate in District 7

By Seth Daniel

As Nomination Papers have become available for elected office in recent weeks, two names that will likely hit the ballot in District 7 this fall might 7 School Committee -

identical, and that's be-

cause Tanairi Garcia Vega announced this week she will be running for District 7 City Council, and Kelly Garcia Vega announced she will be running for re-election to District where she currently serves In fact, they will be as the chair of the Com-

"This is going to be a Garcia Vega sister slate for District 7," said Kelly this

Kelly has been a steady contributor on the School Committee for sever-

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Power of Recovery opens in Revere

By Cary Shuman

City and state officials joined the Powers brothers for the grand opening of a brand-new addiction and recovery treatment center in the Citizens Bank building on Broadway Tuesday.

Matty Powers is the CEO of the Power of Recovery company that will run the center which treats individuals with addictions.

"It's a PHP/IOP (Partial Hospitalization Program/ Intensive Outpatient Program)," explained Powers. "Patients will receive their treatments from licensed clinicians during five-hour sessions."

The center has been entirely renovated into a state-of-the-art facility that consists of group rooms which have movie theater-style seating.

Powers, who is a recovering addict, is proud of his current project and the positive impact it will have patients and their

families. "I have 11 years clean," said Powers, whose family is well known in Chelsea where his father, Stephen, was a popular ward alderman. "I was addicted to heroin, oxycontin, cocaine, alcohol - you

name it, I had it." Powers said he "found



From left to right, Kelly Mahoney, Ann Baker, Judy, Margherita, Dennis, Stephen, Matty and Stephen Powers, with nephew, Sean Mahoney.

Chelsea Prospers light a fun summer path By Seth Daniel

Planning Department,

Members of the Planning Department and Chelsea Prospers appeared before the Traffic Commission on Tuesday night to paint a picture in the most literal sense of fun outdoor events and improvements that are coming to Chelsea Square and Division Streets.

Ben Cares, of the Planning Department, and Mimi Graney, of Chelsea Prospers, detailed to the Commission all of the parklets, temporary parking zones, street murals and outdoor activities that they are planning for the summer months - with a push to activate Chelsea Square this summer.

One of the most interesting pieces presented is a giant street mural slated

for Winnisimmet Street in front of the Apollinaire Theatre – a community project that would use volunteers to pull off the design in a Paint Day on June 21. Following that, the area would serve as an event space for outdoor dinner theatre and other events throughout the summer.

"Our plan for the area is to bring more things more toward Chelsea Square and not so much in Luther Place," said Graney.

"We hope to have Saturday night events there,' she continued. "It's meant to be like dinner and show where we'd have tables put out and a QR code to help participants order from nearby restaurants and there would be a stage

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A colorful street mural will be executed along four blocks rals on the street, and provide confirmation of the importance of the street as a pedestrian corridor.

Neville testifies on adoptees' access to birth certificates legislation

By Cary Shuman

Chelsea resident Sarah Neville, a doctoral candidate in Social Work at Boston College, testified during a state hearing Monday in support of a bill that would grant equal access to original birth certificates to all persons born in Massachusetts.

Sen. Joanne Comerford, chair of the Joint Committee on Public Health, moderated the meeting in which several speakers, including Neville, advocated for the passage of the bill (House Bill 2294, Senate Bill 1440). The hearing focused on Massachusetts adoptees' access to official birth certificates.

Neville, who is not an adoptee but is the sister to two adopted siblings, articulately expressed in her remarks why all adoptees should "have the right to their own personal information."

Neville's remarks demonstrated clearly her extensive knowledge of



Sarah Neville (left) is pictured with her husband, Chelsea School Committee member Roberto Jimenez, and their son, Robi, at the start of the GreenRoots Earth Day Cleanup and Celebration May 1 at Chelsea City Hall.

adoption-related issues. In fact, Sen. Comerford praised Neville for "combining your personal story with your professional expertise."

"We're very grateful for the context you offered," Comferford told Neville during the virtual broadcast of the hearing.

Marley co-founder of a national adoptee rights' organization who also spoke in

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Sumner Tunnel swing lane reactivated; truck crashes into gates on opening day

By John Lynds

MassDOT reactivated the Sumner Tunnel 'swing lane' Monday morning and State Police have already confirmed that one vehicle has crashed into the swing lane gates.

The swing lane is a traffic calming measure that closes the center lane into the Sumner Tunnel during the weekday rush. Traffic heading into the tunnel from Route 1A and Logan Airport will have to merge into the far left lane between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m.

State Police are urging drivers to use caution due to an accident occurring on opening day just hours after the gates were reactivated by MassDOT. The swing lane was deactivated during the pandemic due to the low volume of traffic into the Sumner this past year. MassDOT said they were reactivated to accommodate returning traffic volumes on Route

While traffic is still low, the swing gate can be a hazard for fast traveling vehicles that are not aware of their presence.

State Trooper Jonathan Cooper Harris reported that on Monday just after 8 a.m. a pick up truck traveling southbound into the tunnel smashed into the swing late gates and damaged several of the gates as well as his truck.

"The (truck) was stopped by a Trooper on Nashua Street and the Trooper observed minor damage to his vehicle and windshield," said Harris. "The (swing lane's) arrow boards and signs were also damaged. The operator stated he saw the gates at the last minute and tried to move out of the way but couldn't."

The swing lanes are usually avoidable when slow moving traffic is crawling into the tunnel during the morning commute. With traffic traveling slowly the orange

swing gates gradually jet out to move traffic into the far left lane.

However, like the incident Monday morning, a vehicle traveling down the incline of Route 1A into the Sumner-coupled with a sharp turn before the swing gates--a driver has little time to react and maneuver out of the way when the gates are blocking the center lane.

MassDOT suspended the use of the swing lane due to reduced traffic volumes at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020. MassDOT will now resume the regularly scheduled deployment of the swing lane to support traffic levels that are slowly rebounding and in conjunction with the input from the community.

Signage and messaging will be in place to notify drivers. MassDOT encourages the public to be mindful of this traffic adjustment.

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favor of the bill, said that "current Massachusetts law allow adoptees to obtain their original birth certificated without condition at age 18 if they were born on or before July 17, 1974, or on, or after Jan. 1, 2008."

"The official birth certificates of people born between those dates remained sealed, available only by court order," said Greiner. "This bill simply levels the playing field and lets all of Massachusetts adoptees be treated the same way."

Sarah Neville is the wife of Chelsea School Committee member Roberto Jimenez Rivera. They have a baby son, Robi.

Following are Sarah Neville's remarks at the Joint Committee on Public Health hearing:

My name is Sarah Neville and I live at 40 Eleanor Street in Chelsea. I am a PhD Candidate in Social Work and an adoption researcher. I'm not adopted, but my parents adopted

two of my siblings, and when I was 19 I learned that my mom had placed a child for adoption before I was born.

Faced with an unexpected pregnancy in the late 80s, my mom's parents encouraged her to hide her pregnancy by living in a maternity home run by a Catholic adoption agency. My mom had decided placing the baby for adoption was for the best, but she had no choice in the circumstances of the adoption. She wanted to have a relationship with the baby's adoptive parents, but the nuns said no, what she needed to do is put this all behind her and forget it ever happened. A few years later she tried to send the adoptive parents a letter, but the social worker refused to send it. My mom has been searching for my half-sister for years now, with no suc-

I support this bill as an adoption researcher, and my mom supports it as a birth mother. I tell her story to illustrate that birth mothers were not "promised anonymity" the higher-ups in adoption agencies thought secrecy, and sealing birth certificates, was the best way to protect adoptive parents from interference.

Bill H.2294/S.1440 doesn't force anyone to contact anyone or have a relationship with anyone. It just gives adoptees the right to their own personal information. And if they contact a birth family member, that individual is perfectly free to turn them away

I urge you to report favorably on this bill, but more than this, I beg you to use your influence to get this bill to the floor for a vote afterwards. This bill has died in three consecutive sessions not because anyone opposes it, but because it has been passed over by the legislature. This year, please, grant adopted people their rights. It's the right thing to do.

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there for the show."

She said after the paint day on June 21, and they would have four events like that where there would be a road closure on Winnisimmet. Beyond that, they would also be doing a Silent Disco event on Aug. 14 in the space, and three live performances, one in June, another in July and a final one in September.

"That would be a space where you could stage cultural events right in Chelsea Square and downtown areas and really help support the restaurants and businesses there," said Cares.

That will be enhanced by a construction project where the City plans to elevate the small part of Second Street between Broadway and Winnisimmet in a procedure known as "table topping." That would entail raising the street in that section to the height of the curb, allowing drivers access during the day, but also

being able to close down the stretch and help the Square feel like one continuous event space without a street seemingly cutting through it.

"That's going to allow for better pedestrian safety, new ramps and ADA accessibility," said Cares. "It's an overall improvement to Chelsea Square for events and allowing people to pass through without there being a separation – while also reducing the issue of speeding that occurs in that stretch."

Another exciting piece is an elaborate street mural and decorative crosswalks that will be installed all along Division Street as the City takes another step towards making that more of an bright, artistic pedestrian corridor and less of a dark, delivery truck thoroughfare.

"The reason for both of those is to help be a cue to drivers that this is dense area used heavily by pedestrians," Graney said.

There would be three

creative crosswalks installed, and the large street mural on Division Street as well.

Those improvements above are to be funded by a Shared Streets Grant the City won from the state Department of Transportation earlier this year.

Cares also asked for approval of parklets for restaurants in the area. The City is looking to support more and more parklets if restaurants want to take advantage of outdoor dining again this year. The approval streamlines the process and allows Planning to be able to approve the parklets without having to come to the Commission for each one that is requested.

Finally, City officials want to continue the five minute temporary parking zones that benefit restaurants doing take-out. Last year, several were approved, and those are to be renewed, while other new zones could also be proposed as well.

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That figure was also approaching Wynn Macau operations, particularly since there were significant restrictions and closures in Massachusetts this past January. The Wynn Macau property casino operations hit \$138.9 million in the first quarter, while the Wynn Palace was at \$185.9 million.

The slot machine handle at Encore was the strength in the quarter, at \$913 million, which was a 19 percent increase from last year. The slot machine win rate was also up by 26 percent in the quarter, though, and the winnings per machine per day was \$440. That was up 55.5 percent, meaning the slots were much looser this year than last. The numbers of slot machines at Encore is down significantly though due to the state's COVID restrictions on social distancing. Last year, outside of COVID, the property had 2,837 slots, and this year they operated 1,889.

There were more table

games at Encore than in the Vegas property, with 199 on average in the quarter compared to 172 in Vegas. However, it must be noted that many games, like poker, were not allowed in the quarter at Encore. The table games have been a strong suit of Encore since it opened, but the table drop in the quarter was down from last year by 14.9 percent, at \$234 million.

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One oddly interesting piece of the numbers for Encore was that its hotel operations outpaced all other properties, including China, by a long shot. Though that's likely because Encore is a regional casino and the others are international destination casinos, it was still significant.

The occupancy rate in the first quarter at Encore was 71 percent, which was down from 76 percent at that time last year. The occupancy rate in Vegas for the first quarter was 35 percent, 60 percent at

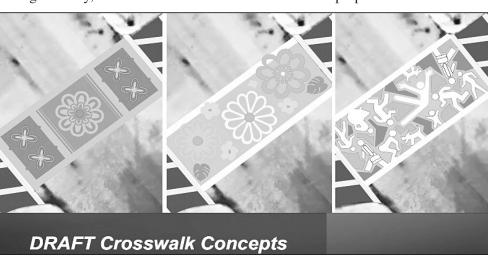
Wynn Macau and 60 percent at Wynn Palace. The Average Daily Rate at Encore was \$276 and the REVPAR – a way of more accurately measuring hotel revenues – was \$196. As a comparison, the REVPAR in Vegas was \$117, while Wynn Palace was \$108 and Wynn Macau was \$147.

Most of the discussion from Maddox about Macau and Vegas and Encore was for the future, heading into the second quarter and beyond into 2022. He said the retail revenues in Vegas for April were the second best month on record since 2005. He also said at Vegas the REVPAR for rooms was already up 50 percent since the end of April.

April.

Anecdotally, he said
Vegas hosted their first
large group recently of
more than 600 people to
great success.

"It went off without a hitch," he said. "People are longing to be back. Conventions work."



Three creative crosswalk designs will accompany the street mural on Division Street, but will be made with a more permanent material.

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a way out" and that's what inspired him to build ten sober houses – called "Chelsea's House' - in Chelsea, Lynn, East Boston, and Malden.

Power of Recovery company is a new business. While Matty, 42, is the chief executive officer, his brothers, Stephen, 51, and Dennis, 41

are co-owners. Damon Weinberg is one of the general managers along with general manager Stephen Perez. His niece, Margherita Powers, is the program director while the clinical director is Jennifer Burns working closely with Richard Evans and Kevin Caprio.

"And my father is the driving force behind all the sober houses," said Matty pridefully. "He maintains the houses beautifully every day and brings joys to residents."

Matty speaks openly about why sober houses and his new-concept recovery centers are so important to him.

"Twelve years ago I was homeless and liv-

ing outside," said Matty.
"Today I feel great and
I'm happy to helping
others on their road to re-

He said the center will adhere to strict COVID-19 social distancing guidelines. Tours of the facility are available by appointment.

covery."

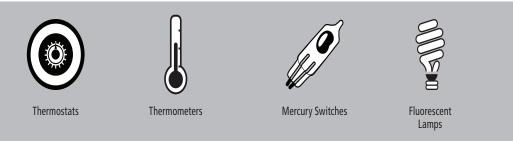
"The site has been totally remodeled and it looks beautiful," said Powers, who is becoming widely known for his generosity in "giving back" to his community.

Next door in his native Chelsea, they're very proud of Matty Powers and no doubt wish him the best in his new endeavor, Power of Recovery.

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BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins begin Stanley Cup finals

The National Hockey League announced the 2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs First Round Series between the No. 3 seed Boston Bruins and No. 2 seed Washington Capitals will be hosted by the Capitals on Saturday, May 15 at 7:15pm. Game 1 of the best-of-seven series between the Mass Mutual East Division rivals will be broadcast on NBC in the United States. The complete 2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs First Round schedule will be announced shortly. Coach Bruce Cassidy chose to keep the majority of the team's regular roster off the ice for the final regular season game Tuesday versus the Capitals. Washington on the other hand played most of their starters, but were also able to welcome back to their roster, captain Alexander Ovechkin, who had missed all but one of the Caps last eight games, suffering from a lower-body injury. Despite Boston's 2-1 loss to the Caps in Tuesday's regular season finale with Jeremy Swayman in net, coach Cassidy was quick to name Swayman to be the backup goaltender to

Tuukka Rask in Saturday night's Stanley Cup Playoffs opener against these same Capitals. The Boston vs. Washington matchup contains the following - on home ice Boston is 18-7-3, and Washington is 17-8-3. On the road Boston's record is 15-9-4 while Washington is 19-7-4. Bruins' goaltending records stand at: Rask 15-5-2 with two shutouts - a goals-against-average of 2.28 with a save percentage of .913, the rookie Swayman's stats are: 7-3-0 with two shutouts - a goals-against-average of 1.50 with a save percentage of .945. Both impressive marks, which will need to be maintained, in order to best Washington in this first divisional round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs.

Scheduling for the playoffs will continue to be incomplete for a while, as the regular season, which was scheduled to end May 8, has been hit with multiple reschedules due to Covid-19. As a result, NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daley explained: The Central Division completed their regular season on Monday, while the East Division finished on Tuesday, and the West Division is expected to wrap up their games today (Thursday). The North Division (Canadian teams) will still have a few regular season games remaining, with the possibility that their schedule may not be completed before Wednesday, May 19. The oddity there is that the trio of US-based divisions may have already begun their playoffs before the North Division has completed their regular season.

The four top teams in each of the four divisions make it to the playoffs. Those teams include: East Division: 1) Pittsburgh, 2) Washington, 3) Boston, and 4) NY Islanders. Central Division: 1) Carolina, 2) Florida, 3) Tampa Bay, and 4) Nashville. West Division: 1) Vegas, 2) Colorado, 3) Minnesota, and 4) St. Louis. North Division: 1) Toronto, 2) Edmonton, 3) Winnipeg, and 4) Montreal. The first two rounds will be played within each division to determine a winner to move further into the playoffs.

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al years now, serving as chair the last two year, but her sister Tanairi is a newcomer to the Chelsea political world - though anyone who has spent five minutes at La Colaborativa, where she is the Food Pantry Director, would certainly know exactly who she is.

Tanairi said she's running in District 7 because she feels the pandemic has shown it's time for new leadership there. The current councillor is Yamir Rodriguez, who has served several terms to date and hasn't been challenged in the last two elections.

"I've been out and working hard to serve the public and I feel there are gaps with that in the City Council, particularly in my district," she said. "I've seen zero presence. I feel like I'm already doing the work and why shouldn't I also run for Council. I don't have a lot of experience in politics, but working at La Colaborativa, I've had the chance to work with a lot of elected officials who come there. I have a lot of ideas and I know Chelsea well as I grew up here."

Tanairi, 35, grew up in Chelsea and went to the Shurtleff School, the Williams School and graduated from Chelsea High in 2003. Later, she moved to Puerto Rico to pursue her degree, and got her Master's Degree at the age of 33. There, she was a farmer, and owned her own coffee shop business that supported her children. However, with the Hurricane Maria that hit, and the earthquake that followed, her Aunt, Gladys Vega, urged her to move back to give the children stability.

"Everything was going well in Puerto Rico and we were doing very well there with the business, but the earthquakes freaked me out," she said. "My kids' education was at stake just like it had been with Hurricane Maria. I was something as a mom I just didn't want my kids to go through. So my aunt convinced me to put my kids in St. Rose back in Chelsea and get a good year's education and then go back. I finally agreed and we made the move in January 2020 and then, boom, we were hit with a pandemic."

The pandemic derailed her plans, she said, but it opened a door to help others, as she quickly committed to Gladys Vega to run the growing food pantry program. Now, she directs the colossal effort and has become a staple organizers around food justice in the city. It has also forced her to focus in on making a difference in her home city of Chelsea.

"I forced me to decide that I want to make a change," she said. "Chelsea is my crib. I want to make a better life for my children and all the other children I see every day."

forefront of her campaign, Tanairi said she is also interested in environmental justice and green space. Going back to her time as a teen-ager, she was active in the non-profit environmental groups. She recalls her grandmother picking up cigarette butts and hypodermic syringes from the front yard so they could play under her supervision. Now, she said she wants Chelsea youth and adults to find the same kind of green space as people in Melrose or Lyn-

When it comes to Kelly. she said she wants to continue to work in concert with her colleagues and Supt. Almi Abeyta to improve the Chelsea Public Schools.

"As we embark on a new journey of returning to school and coming back fully, I look forward to running again and working as a team to improve our schools for our students," she said. "The need is greater than ever now...I plan on staying in the classroom to stay grounded in the work I do to promote solutions that create equity and justice in our school system."

She added that she is also a co-chair of the Equity Committee with CPS Diversity Director Aaron Jennings.

Both said they plan to take out Nomination Palot in the fall.

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PEOPLE OF CHELSEA

Margaret Hernandez and 2-year-old son Gabriel and friend Andy Ramon

(The following is one in a series of sneak peeks at the upcoming People of Chelsea additions by Photographer Darlene DeVita. The new work will ultimately appear on the fence of the Chelsea Public Library (CPL) this fall in a collaboration between the People of Chel*sea project and the CPL.*)

By Darlene DeVita

My parents are from Framingham, but I grew up here. My mom decided to go back to Framingham my senior year, but I decided to stay, so I moved out at the age of 16 to finish my senior year here. I decided to have my son in 2018. Then I went to school at Lincoln Tech. I'm first generation (El Salvadoran) to graduate and continue school.

I don't plan on leaving. I like it here. Chelsea has played such a big role in our lives. I want my son to grow up here, but by the way, things are going...there's a lot of violence that goes on; that's my only fear for my son; maybe this is not the best place for him. I've never encountered anything bad I think it depends on the people you hang around with. It's hard to say. There's a very nice guy who lives in front of my building (Danny). He's old but very nice, very generous. He gives back to everybody on the street, does little food pantries on Saturdays, teaches the kids how to ride bikes. I want him to teach my son. On Christ-



Margaret Hernandez and two-year-old son Gabriel with friend Andy Ramon.

mas, he gives to us. He's one of the main reasons I don't want to leave.

Right now, because of the Pandemic, I'm not working. It's hard to find a job. Interviews are through Zoom, a lot of emails. But I'm hopeful. The good thing I can say is that I've done it on my own, here in Chelsea. I've been able to raise my son and will continue to do so. I'm only 21. I want my son to see that I didn't stop, so you shouldn't either. I made my own life, and now I have my own apartment. (UPDATE: Margaret is currently working at MGH.)

ANDY, (19). We met at the beginning of the pandemic, went to the same high school but for some reason; we never ran into each other. I met her through my cousin. The pandemic is rough for anyone in general, but I didn't realize I didn't have many friends until the pandemic because I'm at home; I didn't know I was so "lonely." Meeting her and Gabe helped me cope. I made a really good friend.

I live in Chelsea, too, with my parents. I want to stay there for as long as I can. We've had a pretty peaceful life in Chelsea. We are separating now because [my] family wants to become homeowners. Even though Chelsea is a low-income city, it is very expensive. An apartment can be going from \$2000 -\$3,000 just because we're so close to the City. That's the only thing that's pulling my family apart.

I'm going to school for counseling and education at Bunker Hill, getting my associate degree. then transferring to Salem State. I'm also first generation to graduate from high school and college. My mom and dad are from Honduras.

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GET THAT SHOT!

The idea of "vaccine hesitancy" is a relatively new phenomenon in our country.

For those of the Baby Boom generation, there never was any question about getting shots for all kinds of childhood and adult communicable diseases.

Vaccines, along with antibiotics, were universally accepted as wonders of modern medicine that chiefly were responsible for the increase in longevity and decrease in misery both in the U.S. and in populations around the globe.

However, the rise of baseless conspiracy theories and adherence to senseless political conformity, all of which have been amplified by unscrupulous voices on social media (including Russian disinformation), have combined to increase vaccine hesitancy to record levels during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Polls show that vaccine hesitancy spans all ages, educational backgrounds, social strata, political affiliations, and employment status.

In addition, the success of vaccines in bringing about the dramatic reduction in deaths from COVID-19 over the past two months has bred its own sense of complacency. With the pandemic on the decline and hospitalizations near zero in some places, the need to get vaccinated may seem less urgent than when the pandemic

However, there are three basic facts that make vaccine hesitancy a dangerous mindset both for individuals and for society at large.

First and foremost, the coronavirus still is infecting thousands and killing hundreds of Americans each and every day. Though the numbers in the U.S. are far below the peak from January, they still are unfathomably

In addition, across the globe, the virus is wreaking havoc from India to Brazil, where a lack of vaccines is ensuring that record numbers of people are dying every day. Vaccination is the only means by which transmission of this dread disease can be halted.

Second, all of the coronavirus vaccines being administered in the U.S. are both incredibly effective and incredibly safe. Any suggestions otherwise are being spread by self-serving groups who have no concern for the health of Americans, individually and collectively.

Finally, if enough Americans fail to get the vaccine and the virus continues to spread and mutate, the new variants may evade the protection of the vaccines, thereby establishing a vicious cycle in which we always will be a step behind and which ultimately will affect

Too many of our fellow Americans have died, too many lives have been upended, and too many of our front-line workers have made incredible sacrifices, to allow the progress we have made in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic to take a step backwards because of baseless claims that underpin "vaccine hesitancy."

The simple reality is this: Mass vaccination is the only means by which we can defeat the virus and return to a semblance of normalcy. Both the public and private sectors need to do whatever is necessary to ensure that each and every American receives a shot -- and we urge all of our readers to do what they need to do in order to get the vaccine.

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Developing a life plan

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Have something look forward to every day. Work a job. Work in your apartment or house. Have an exercise or health outing of some kind. Clean out a closet. Read a book. Your goal may be to sit on the porch and watch nature or the traffic go by. We all need leisure days. If you have an idle day then plan to enjoy your

Work on your health, mental and physical. Occasionally do a mind check. Clean out any garbage between your ears. Your mind is where you spend your life. Do away with negativity. Get rid of any bad or resentful feelings. Forgive and love yourself and forgive others. God has forgiven you and it's time you forgave yourself. Give peace and

happiness every chance possible to exist in your head. Take care of yourself physically. A good friend who will be 100 soon says vegetables and fruit are her main dishes and every day she is physically active.

Put a few dollars aside as you can. You can't take it with you when you die but you can enjoy it while you are alive. You also might be able to help others. You can build wealth if you will work and save a little every week or month. Get rich schemes and winning the lottery are like being hit by lightning, they seldom happen. Invest in your local bank's Individual Retirement Account, a 401K and buy safe stock as you can. Also, pay into Social Security. You'll need it eventually.

Work on your network

of relationships. If you don't have any friends then at least try to be a friend. If you go looking for friends you probably won't find any. If you will be a friend then you'll build some long-lasting relationships. Don't give up on your family. Stay close to your relatives if you possibly can. Church and civic groups are good places to build relationships. We all need personal time but don't spend your life totally alone.

Continue to work on you. You aren't finished yet. You are still a work in progress. Too often we point to an accomplishment or the past as the summation of our lives. What we did yesterday may have been wonderful or not so wonderful but it's in the past. Who are you today? Keep becoming a better person. We all

are still growing and have room for growth.

Make your own decisions and make good ones. You and God can figure it out. Stay independent as long as possible. A friend of mine recently gave up her home and moved to a place where "others" thought she should be. I don't think she is too happy with her new surroundings. Before you do, what other people think you should do, make sure it's what you want to do.

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LETTERS to the Editor

NEW CHELSEA FIREWORKS ORDINANCE

Dear Editor,

I read in the May 6, 2021 'Chelsea Record' that the City Council voted 9-0 "to ban fireworks with intent to enforce." I commend and thank the City Council for this ac-

As a past Chelsea fire c chief, I am happy the City intends to curtail fireworks activity; whereas, without a permit, fireworks are illegal in Massachusetts. Fireworks not only can cause physical injuries, but certain types, known as "rockets," can also cause fires if they

land on combustible materials, such as, but not limited to, roofs.

I would like to recognize Councilor Todd Taylor for "pushing the fireworks ordinance." In addition, living in the Prattville area, I thank Councilor Taylor for getting the City (not too long ago) to install "traffic barriers" on Garfield Avenue making it extremely difficult for vehicles to unlawfully make a left turn onto Garfield Avenue from Adams Street. The traffic Barries have greatly improved traffic flow.

> Louis T. Addonizio **Retired Chelsea** Fire Chief

MVES issues RFP for older adult programs

Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to fund innovative programs that promote the health, well-being, and independence of older adults and to complement or supplement the support activities of primary caregivers.

Areas of focus include: family caregiver issues and services; special populations such as elders with special needs, isolated, marginalized, LGBT elders and those who are disadvantaged by racial, cultural and/or linguistic barriers; health promotion programs that focus on evidence-based programs for older adults; transportation; housing insecurity; social insecurity/isolation; health and wellness, including physical and behavioral health; and economic insecurity.

Funding is available by MVES through the Older American Act and is subject to availability of federal funding. Funding for projects begin October 1, 2021 and end on September 30, 2022.

MVES is requesting Letters of Intent from organizations wishing to apply for funding to support individuals age 60 and older in MVES' ser-

vice area, which includes Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Revere, Stoneham, Wakefield and Winthrop. The Letter of Intent, not to exceed two pages, should include:

Purpose of the program

Which of the

AAA funding priorities the program will address The estimated

amount of Title III funding the applicant will re-

Anticipated number of older adults the program expects to serve

Cities and towns

the program plans to serve Letters of Intent should be sent electronically to lreid@mves.org by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 11,

2021.

Letters of Intent will be reviewed and prospective applicants will be sent the full application for Title III funding to be completed by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 7, 2021.

If you have questions please contact Lauren Reid, MVES Director of Community Programs, at lreid@mves.org or 781-388-2382.

Garden Remedies donates \$30K to MVES to support older adults

Garden Remedies recently donated \$30,000 to Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) toward supporting elder services and nutrition programs in the City of Melrose. This gift will help ensure that MVES' program participants who reside in Melrose will have access to multiple healthy aging services and carefully prepared and nutritious meals. MVES services an average of 675 Melrose residents a month.

"We are very thankful to Garden Remedies for their generous donation, especially during these challenging times that COVID-19 has brought to older adults," says Daniel O'Leary, CEO of Mystic Valley Elder Services. "I would also like to thank Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur who recommended us to Garden Remedies as the charitable nonprof-

it organization that could

receive the gift and make

sure it was effectively

used to benefit older adults

in need in Melrose."

Brian Moran, Co-CEO/ CFO of Garden Remedies says, "Garden Remedies is focused on being a great neighbor and supporter in all communities where we operate. Early this year we spoke with Mayor Brodeur about his administration's key initiatives for 2021 and he made it clear that improving elder services and attacking food insecurity were two priorities as we emerged from the pandemic." He continues, "Mystic Valley Elder Services' focus on promoting health and independence for older adults, along with their nutrition and food distribution programs, has been incredibly important during this very difficult time. Garden Remedies is excited to assist with their phenomenal mission and we look forward

to continuing our strong

relationship with MVES

and the broader Melrose

"Seniors are an import-

community."

provide programs to them that keep them living independently and stay emotionally says Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur. "That is why I recommended them to Garden Remedies as the nonprofit they should sup-

Upon the recommendation from the Mayor of Melrose,

Garden Remedies recently donated \$30,000 to Mystic Valley Elder Services in support of elder services and nutrition programs in the City of Melrose. (L to R) Melrose Mayor Paul Brodeur; Brian Moran, Co-CEO/CFO of Garden Remedies; and Daniel O'Leary, CEO of Mystic Valley Elder Services.

ant part of the Melrose port with their kind gift." community and we are Garden Remedies is grateful to have MVES engaged," and medical dispensaries as well as at third-party dispensary partners across

vertically-integrated grower and provider of premium cannabis products offering its products at their Marlborough, Melrose and Newton adult-use

the Commonwealth.

NEWS Briefs BY SETH DANIEL

CHELSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY **PROGRAMS** GRAB AND GO CRAFT KITS

The Bear Hat craft kits are available while supplies last. Pick up times

*Monday, Tuesday, and Friday -10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Wednesday and Thurs-

day – 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

*Saturday – 10 a.m. to

•The May Storytimes are still on Facebook. Please join us at https:// www.facebook.com/chelseamapubliclibrary. There will be Mindfulness Mondays at 10:30 a.m., Bear Time Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m., Stars and Outer Space Wednesdays at 10 a.m., and a special storytime with the Children's Librarian on May 25th at

•CPL Book Club on May 27th at 7 p.m. on Zoom. The book is Let's Pretend This Never Happened (a mostly true memoir)by Jenny Lawson. To reserve a copy, please contact the library at 617-466-4350. Email sgay@ chelseama.gov to register.

•The Virtual Baby Sign Language program on June 12th at 10 a.m. is funded by the Chelsea Public Library Trustees. Please sign-up by emailing kpalencia@chelseama.gov.

•Mindful Einstein Program. A virtual weekly session of simple and fun activities to encourmindfulness and age relaxation in children! Thursdays at 4 p.m., 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24. Sign-up for one or for all by emailing kpalencia@chelseama.gov.

ISLAND END PARK SPRING CLEANING

Saturday May (12:30-2.30 pm) Join volunteers for a

coastal cleanup and nature walk, learn about upcoming plans to improve Island End Park and more. Meet at Mary O'Malley State Park at 12:30 p.m. All ages welcome!

Wear long pants and sturdy shoes and get ready to get dirty! (And don't forget your mask too. COVID-19 safety guidelines will be followed.)

FEDERAL RESTAURANT REVITALIZATION **FUND**

Owners of restaurants. food trucks, bars, bakeries and related businesses can now apply to the SBA Restaurant Revitalization Fund. Available up to

\$10 million per business in COVID-19 relief for payroll costs, rental payments, debt service and more. If used correct-

ly, these funds don't have to be refunded. Priority will be given in the first 21 days to restaurants owned by women, veterans and socially or economically disadvantaged groups. Learn more about the restaurant revitalization fund at https://www.sba. gov/restaurantes. Get help with your application by calling 1-844-279-8898.

MACE TOT LOT REVITALIZATION

Please join the City of Chelsea online to discuss the future renovation of Mace Tot Lot.

When: Wednesday May 19, 6 p.m.

Questions? Contact Ben Cares at 781.300.3016 or bcares@chelseama.gov.

NEW FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

The City received \$50,000 in last year's State Budget to implement a new food security program from the Department of Agricultural Resources.

Focused on supporting local food security initiatives, the Program offers direct grants, up to \$10,000 per organization, for capital and operational purposes. Organizations establishing or operating food pantries, community kitchens, community agriculture, and other food security efforts that serve low- and moderate-income residents are eligible to apply. The Program is expected to assist approximately five new or existing local food programs.

The deadline for proposals is May 21st, 2021 at 4 p.m. Proposals can be submitted to atrain@chelseama.gov via email or at 500 Broadway, Room 101, Chelsea, MA 02150. Our team is available to provide technical assistance to anyone interested in applying for this pro-

BEACHAM STREET TRAFFIC ADVISORY

The Beacham/Williams Transportation Corridor Project started on Monday, May 3. Construction will take place Monday through Friday during off-peak hours. Construction activities will impact several locations along the roadway from Spruce Street to the Everett City Line. Open to Business & Freight only. Drivers are encouraged to seek alternate routes.

Visit www.chelseama. gov/BeachamWilliamsCorridor for a detailed project description and traffic management plans. The City of Chelsea will continue to provide regular weekly updates regarding this project's impacts.

TEMPORARY OUTDOOR **DINING PERMITS** AVAILABLE

To expand business opportunities during COVID-19, restaurants and eateries can now apply for a temporary permit to offer outdoor dining services on:

•Private Property (including privately owned parking lots.)

•Sidewalks.

•Other public spaces such as streets or parking spaces adjacent to your establishment (Permits to use such adjacent streets or parking spaces require approval from the Traffic Commission). Permits are

through November 5, 2021 or 60 days until after the Governor ends the Pandemic. With each of these options, restaurants that currently serve alcohol may also serve alcohol outdoors in accordance with the Licensing guidelines. Apply for a permit online: Application for 2021 Temporary Outdoor Dining for Restaurants and Eateries. The City will also offer free technical assistance to business owners who need help with outdoor space design. To coordinate a meeting with the team, please contact Lourdes Alvarez via email at lalvarez@chelseama.gov or by calling 617-487-9763. Read more www.chelseama.gov/ OutdoorDining.

JOIN THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Interested in beautifying the City? There is a Beautification Committee that meets monthly with the City Manager, ISD and the DPW to talk about trash and problem properties and to consider beautification initiatives such as improved signage, cigarette butlers and public art. If you are interested in being part of this Committee, please contact either Laura Brockington at GreenRoots email laurab@greenrootschelsea. org or Monica Elias at The Neighborhood Developers email melias@tndinc.org.

MASS SAVE LOOKING FOR **APPLICANTS**

Do you own a 1-4 unit residential building? For a limited time, Mass Save's sponsors are offering owners of 1-4 unit residential buildings 100% off all approved insulation for all rental units. These energy upgrades can help save energy and money.

To get started, schedule a FREE Mass Save Home Energy Assessment at (978) 237-4530 or visit https://allinenergy.org/ chelsea.html.

State administration awards \$3.5 Million to seven agencies

The Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) and the Department of Public Health (DPH) in collaboration with the Department of Transitional Assistance today announced a total of \$3.5 million, to seven community-based agencies serving expectant and parenting adolescents in communities across the Commonwealth with high teen birth rates – including Roca in Chelsea and Revere.

The Massachusetts Pregnant and Parenting Teen Initiative builds on participants' strengths to increase life opportunities and enhance family stability for expectant and parenting adolescents ages 14 through 24. Programs offer case management that supports both young parents and their children to attain educational and employment goals, improve access to health services, support the development of young children, and promote healthy relationships between co-parents and between parents and their young children.

Among adolescents who have participated in the program for at least six months: •58% made progress

toward individualized academic and/or career goals •Employment increased

from 26% to 37% •98% were enrolled in

health insurance

•71% who were pregnant attended a postpartum visit in the first 8 weeks after birth

•Contraceptive use increased from 37% to 50%

All the funded organizations are in communities with teen birth rates that are higher than the state average, with funding specifically intended to support expectant and parenting adolescents in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has created significant strain on adolescent parents in terms of employment, food security, and education.

Local award recipients: •Roca (Chelsea, Ever-

ett, and Revere).

DiDomenico hosts language access and inclusion briefing

Staff Report

Senator Sal DiDomenico has joined forces this legislative session with Representative Adrian Madaro of East Boston and a coalition of immigrant and civil rights advocates from across the Commonwealth to introduce new legislation that would ensure equal access to government services, programs, and activities for people with limited English proficiency. DiDomenico and Madaro have filed S.2040/H.3199, An Act relative to language access and inclusion, to standardize, and provide enforcement mechanisms for, language access at public-facing state agencies.

Massachusetts is one of the most linguistically diverse states in the country, with 1 in 10 residents having limited English proficiency. However, there is currently no comprehensive language access statute in Massachusetts to ensure that non-English speaking residents have a fair and equitable opportunity to obtain an education, apply for benefits, receive housing assistance, or represent themselves in court. While Massachusetts has long needed to build the capacity of public-facing state agencies to

meet the language access needs of an increasingly diverse population, the COVID-19 pandemic dramatically exposed the incapacity of state agencies to provide consistent services in other languages.

Last week, DiDomenico and Madaro hosted a virtual State House briefing in conjunction with Massachusetts Appleseed Center for Law and Justice, the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition, Mass Law Reform Institute, and South Coast Counties Legal Services to educate legislators and staff on the crucial and timely need for this new piece of legislation.

"This bill is truly a matter of equity and justice for so many people living in this Commonwealth, especially the residents of my district," said Di-Domenico. "Non-English speaking residents absolutely deserve to have equal access to public health information, education, unemployment assistance, healthcare, housing, and other crucial services, especially those related to the COVID-19 pandemic. I am very proud to partner with the Language Access For All Coalition on this critical piece of legislation and look forward to working with them to get this

bill across the finish line this legislative session."

An Act relative to language access and incluwould sion mandate, standardize, and enforce language requirements for state-funded programs by requiring agencies to translate websites and documents and provide oral interpretation services into non-English languages spoken in the state, including American Sign Language. A Language Access Advisory Board would provide oversight, technical assistance, and relief mechanisms to those who haven't received adequate language access under the proposed legis-

lation. In addition to DiDomenico and Madaro, speakers at the legislative briefing included Dawn Sauma, co-Executive Director of the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence, Pastor Dieufort Fleurissaint of Haitian-Americans United. Inc., and Dr. Neenah Estrella-Luna, Northeastern University professor and community advocate focused on community and institutional equity, inclu-

This legislation is currently pending before the Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

sion and belonging.



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First bald eagle death in Massachusetts from rodenticides confirmed

Staff Report

MassWildlife officials recently confirmed that a bald eagle has died from second-generation ticoagulant rodenticide (SGAR) poisoning. While documented elsewhere, this is the first confirmed case of an eagle dying from rodenticide poisoning in Massachusetts.

MassWildlife officials recently confirmed that a bald eagle that died in March was the victim of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide (SGAR) poisoning. While mortalities in bald eagles due to anticoagulant rodenticides have been documented in other states, this is the first confirmed case in Massachusetts. In mid-March, observers reported odd behavior of an adult female eagle at a nest located on the Charles River in Middlesex County. Unfortunately, within a day, the bird had died on its nest. MassWildlife officials retrieved the eagle and transported it to Tufts Wildlife Clinic at Cummings Veterinary Medical Center at Tufts University where a necropsy was performed. Toxicology testing of a liver sample was performed with the assistance of the Northeast Wildlife Disease Cooperative. Both the necropsy and toxicology test results confirmed that the

cause of death was le-

thal levels of anticoagulant rodenticides.

Anticoagulant rodenticides are a type of rodent poison that kills by preventing blood from clotting normally, resulting in a fatal hemorrhage. Wildlife can be poisoned by anticoagulant rodenticides in two ways: 1) primary poisoning when an animal directly eats the bait and dies several days later, or 2) secondary poisoning when a predator or scavenger eats prey that has consumed the bait. Secondary poisoning has been documented in birds of prey like hawks and owls, as well as foxes, bobcats, and coyotes. While bald eagles primarily eat fish, they are opportunistic foragers that feed on a variety of animals and are known to scavenge or prey on

small mammals. Given the hunting range of eagles, it's impossible to determine the exact source of this rodenticide poisoning. Analysis of liver tissue confirmed three different SGARs were ingested by the eagle. In the past 15 years, the US EPA has taken steps to impose restrictions on rodenticides (see table below). SGARs are believed to be most harmful to wildlife and now cannot be sold through general consumer outlets for the typical homeowner to use. SGARs can still be purchased online in commercial use quantities, and licensed pest profession-

als and agricultural users are able to use them. Other rodenticides, called first-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (FGARs) non-anticoagulant rodenticides, are still approved for residential consumer use if enclosed within a bait station.

"The struggle to control mice and rats is usually viewed in terms of humans vs. rodents, but wildlife such as birds of prey are often not recognized as players in this battle," said Dr. Maureen Murray, Director of Tufts Wildlife Clinic. "Many people are surprised to learn that the mouse poison they use in their basement can also kill the great horned owl hooting in the neighborhood." Studies in other species of birds of prey conducted at Tufts Wildlife Clinic have shown widespread exposure to SGARs among these birds. MassWildife officials, in partnership with Tufts Wildlife Clinic, provide the following advice for homeowners with a rodent problem to minimize harm to wildlife:

•Rodent-proof home. Before using a poison, remove or securely contain any potential food sources for rodents. Repair any exterior areas of your home to prevent rodents from coming inside.

•Arm yourself with information. Consider alternatives to poison, such as snap traps. Poisons should

A bald eagle on the Charles River in Middlesex County was the first documented case of an eagle dying from rodenticide poisoning in Massachusetts.

be used as a last resort. Be sure to check the active ingredients and opt for products that contain bromethalin, chlorophacinone, or diphacinone. Use poisons only in bait stations as per the label instructions and avoid any in pellet form.

•Ask your pest control company questions. Look for an integrated pest management company that uses multiple approaches to pest control instead of relying solely on poisons. You can request that the company avoid using SGARproducts including brodifacoum, bromadiolone, difenacoum,

or difethialone. While the death of this individual bald eagle is disturbing, MassWildlife officials are encouraged to report that the overall population of bald eagles in Massachusetts continues to recover and grow in numbers and geographic distribution. In fact, the nest where the female bald eagle died in March may already have a new resident. According to observers, within a week of the female's death, another adult female eagle was observed at the nest with the male adult. "The appearance of a new female in such a short period of time speaks to the state's robust eagle population," said Andrew Vitz, MassWildlife's State Ornithologist. "Though it is late in the mating season, it is possible that this bird may lay eggs this spring. If not, pair bonding between the two birds will strengthen over the year and nesting will likely be attempted in the early spring of 2022." Thanks to the efforts of MassWildlife and other conservation partners, there are currently over 80 pairs of bald eagles nesting in Massachusetts from

the Cape to the Berkshires.

Vacuna contra el COVID-19: Segura y Eficaz

La Vacuna contra el COVID-19 se desarrolló de forma segura.



Para crear la vacuna contra el COVID, se siguieron las mismas medidas de seguridad que se usan para todas las otras vacunas.

Miles de personas participaron en los ensayos clínicos para demostrar que la vacuna es segura y eficaz.

La Vacuna pudo desarrollarse rápidamente porque:

Cuando comenzó la pandemia, los científicos ya habían estudiado otros virus similares durante más de 20 años, y eso les dio una ventaja inicial para crear esta vacuna.

Las compañías comenzaron a producir la vacuna con anticipación para garantizar su distribución inmediata después de la aprobación.

Únase a los millones de personas que ya se

han vacunado.



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CHELSEA HIGH RED DEVILS GIRLS SOCCER IN PLAY-OFF ACTION

Last Thursday afternoon the CHS Varsity girl's soccer team was on the road to play the RHS Patriots I the first round of the play-offs. Despite a valiant effort the girls were defeated 8-0 by the #1 ranked GBL team and undefeated, RHS Lady Patriots.



Marely Marroquin Gonzalez brings the ball up-field.



Rusby Santizo puts the ball in play.



Fernanda Marroguin Castillo intercepts a pass.



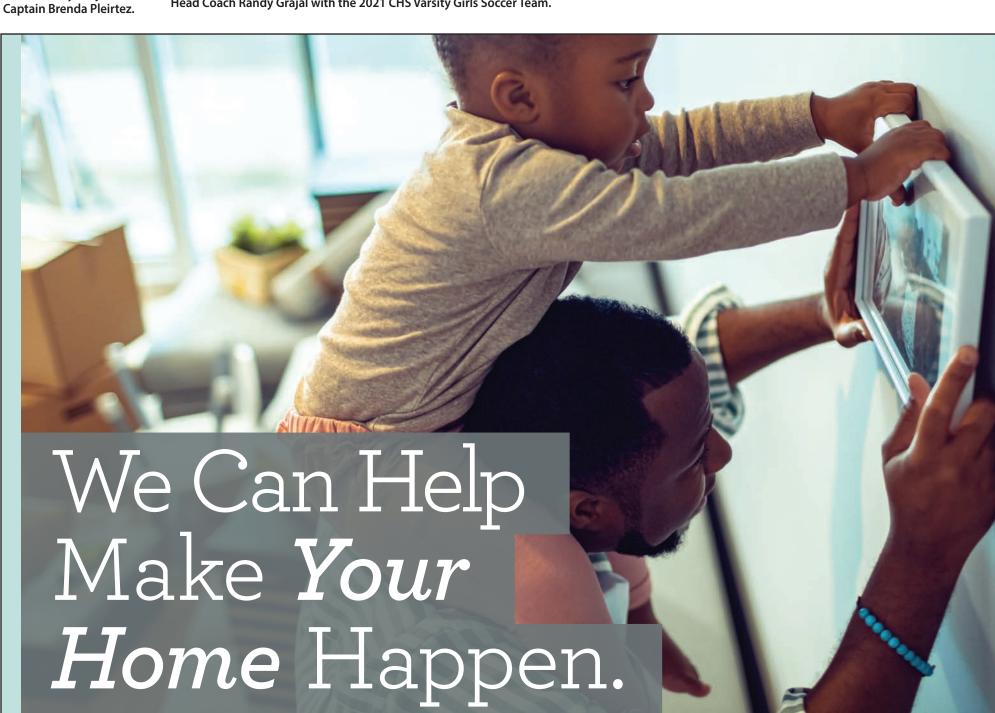


Head Coach Randy Grajal with the 2021 CHS Varsity Girls Soccer Team.



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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL HELD

EVERETT - Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria and First Lady Stacy De-Maria led the City of Everett's candlelight vigil in honor of Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton last week at Glendale Park.

Hundreds of family and friends attended the ceremony in memory of the beloved city employee and long-time Pop Warner cheerleading coach who touched so many lives with her warmth, generosity, and kindness.

Kristin died tragically on April 23, just days after giving birth to her daughter, Lenna Noel.

"Tonight we join together in sadness and in disbelief to remember and honor a beautiful soul that was taken far too soon: Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton," said De-Maria. "Though we are all sad and devasted, we are here together in solidarity to show our love and support for one another. To the family of our angel, Kristin, on behalf of my entire family and the City of Everett, you are loved, you are supported, and we are here for you."

Community and spiritual leader Rick Randazzo delivered the opening prayer, stating, "This evening we are beginning for each one of us, Lord, in making Kristin's legacy our challenge to live life to its fullest."

Stacy DeMaria said, "I'm saddened but honored to be here this evening. I would like to begin by thanking Kristin's family for graciously inviting me to say a few words about our angel, Kristin.

"To Kristin know was to love Kristin. Her presence was bright and smile even brighter. As we all know, Kristin was beautiful. She was gorgeous on the outside, but she was even more beautiful where it mattered the most – on the inside.

"Her willingness and ability to help guide and mentor so many people young and old across the City of Everett and beyond is truly remarkable," continued Mrs. DeMaria. "Whether she was dedicating her time to Everett's youth during Pop Warner or giving a hand at the food pantries to help those less fortunate, her positive attitude and energy shined. It was almost contagious."

Mrs. DeMaria noted the gallant battle Kristin waged against various health challenges, "but in typical Kristin fashion, she fought and persevered."

"To Kristin's family

and friends, on behalf of the City of Everett and my husband, Carlo, we promise that the memories of your wife, your daughter, your sister, your aunt, your cousin, your niece, and your friend will never be forgotten in our community," said Mrs. DeMaria. "We will ensure that Kristin's name and legacy live on so that Lenna know how loved her

Kristin's Honoring "beautiful life," Mrs. DeMaria quoted American poet and civil rights activist Maya Angelou, telling the assemblage, "I've learned that people will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel."

mother was."

Vin Calderone told the tremendous gathering in attendance, "First let me say that I could not be any prouder to have been Kristin's uncle and godfather. What a wonderful person she was. I always knew Kristin was a very special person but to witness the outpouring of love and affection here tonight as well as the countless well wishes my family has received from many people is just simply amazing.

"On behalf of my en-

tire family, the Ciarlones, the Fultons, and the Calderones, I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and so unbelievably strong,' especially for being here tonight. It means more than you can imagine. I would especially like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to the city and the people of Everett and to recognize Mayor De-Maria, his wife, Stacy, and his staff for all that you've done in giving us this opportunity to honor and give thanks for a wonderful and amazing individual, our beloved

Kristin," said Calderone.

Colleen Stabile, a lifelong friend of Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton, warmly recalled Kristin's love of all things associated with Disney.

"She loved it. She was a Disney nut just like me and clearly one of the reasons we became so close over the years," said Stabile. "Kristin has gone so many times to Disney with her family and Greg, and I know how much she was looking forward to going there with her new baby, Lenna."

Sam Amado, a friend and colleague, recalled what a joy it was to work with Kristin every day and how she wanted to impact lives in a positive way and make people feel good about themselves."

"She just wanted to matter. She wanted to make a difference," said Amado. "She was full of energy, ideas, passion for her community and anything that had her name attached to it, had to be perfect."

Amado recalled how Kristin always reached out to colleagues' children during holidays and celebrations."Kristin made sure they all had gifts for every occasion," said Amado.

He praised Kristin's ability to motivate others and lift up their spirits during tough times. "That's the type of person that Kristin was she thought about others first," said Amado. "We know how much Kristin fought tooth and nail to have what she has. As much as we all know her story, I don't know how many of us would have the same courage and grace to face the challenges that she confronted on a regular basis.

"Kristin was strong, said Amado. "All of our dreams can come true if you have the courage to pursue them. She did it. She did what she said you couldn't do. She made her dreams come true. She was living her fairytale with the love of her life, Greg, her trusted sidekick, Vinnie (her dog), and finally her centerpiece, Lenna Noel – Kristin wanted to be a mom so bad and it happened. You did it.

EVERETT ZONING BOARD APPROVES PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL TOWER FOR BOOMING TRIANGLE AREA



Two renderings show vantage points of the proposed 21-story SkyEverett development Commercial Triangle area on Spring Street from around the city, including at Everett Stadi-



You proved them wrong and we're all so proud of you. Thank you, Kristin, for showing us what you can do. Thank you for showing us that we can do it, too."

Lisa Sachetta, who coached Everett Pop Warner cheerleading team, asked former Everett Pop Warner Huskies President William Marchant, to deliver thoughts on her behalf.

Sachetta highlighted Kristin's generosity, compassion, and helpfulness in her role as a mentor to her cheerleaders.

"As we learned over the years, Kristin's style proved to be her outpouring generosity. She showered her girls with trinkets and treasures; she designed T-shirts, hats, socks, sunglasses, bandanas, and flip flops, all hand made with love. Most importantly, she gifted her cheerleaders with love, guidance and friendship," wrote Sachetta.

Sachetta pledged that Kristin's cheerleaders and friends will carry on Kristin's legacy with heartful remembrances of her wonderful life of achievement and love.

"Kristin, your beautiful daughter, Lenna Noel Fulton, will be blessed with all your former cheerleaders and cheer friends as her extended family and I believe we'll be sharing loving, funny, and beautiful stories and memories of you.

"Rest peacefully, Kristin," wrote Sachetta. "We all believe you were a true angel on earth and you have truly earned your wings and now you are our angel in heaven above." Kaylin Seward, a cur-

rent Everett High cheerleader who attended the vigil, said Kristin Ciarlone-Fulton was her Pop Warner coach for two years, one of which resulted in a trip to the National Championships at Disney World in Florida. "She was an amazing

coach and inspired a lot of people," said Seward. "She made a huge impact on a lot of people and she's going to be missed."

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or Carlo DeMaria is pleased to announce that

DeMARIA TO HOST ZOOM MEETINGS

he will be virtually hosting community meetings on Zoom beginning on Wednesday, May 12, at 7 p.m. Each meeting will be with a different ward of the City of Everett

and I are excited to meet with the different wards of Everett," said Mayor DeMaria. "Over the past year, the pandemic presented many issues in addition to the ordinary concerns that arise and I want to hear from our residents. We look forward to further connecting with the community and discussing the issues that are affecting their everyday lives."

The schedule for the meetings is as follows:

- Ward 1: Wednesday, May 12, 2021
- Ward 2: Wednesday, May 26, 2021
- Ward 3: Wednesday,
- June 9, 2021
- Ward 4: Wednesday,

June 23, 2021

- Ward 5: Wednesday, June 30, 2021
- Ward 6: Wednesday,
- July 14, 2021.

"As Mayor, my focus has been and will continue to be on all the work that we have done to help improve the quality of life in Everett for our residents. I am excited about the work that is underway in the City and that will continue to be my focus because my responsibility is to the residents of Everett.

I look forward to continuing to lead the city into a period of growth and prosperity to better the quality of life of all of our residents. My administration has supported job growth, transformed our public spaces, and reduced our commutes through smart planning and cooperation with the public and private sector. I am confident the community values the results," said Mayor Carlo DeMaria. To join the meeting for

your ward, please use the following Zoom information: Join the Zoom meeting

using this link:

https://ci-everett-ma. zoom.us/j/91511213761

Meeting ID: 915 1121 3761

Dial in: +1 646 558 8656.

Managing Director of the Boston Waterfront Initiative for the Trustees, Nick Black is asking Eastie residents and the general public for their continued comments, suggestions and questions. The input gathered from recent public meetings, as well as from an ongoing online survey and digital bulletin board, will help

FIRST DESIGN OF

EAST BOSTON

At a recent community

This initial design was

created by Michael Van

Valkenburgh Associates,

Inc (MVVA) using input

from the January public

meetings and from an

ongoing online commu-

ing features tide pools,

grassy lawns, a picnic

grove, kayak launch, nat-

ural plantings, and a salt

draft now published,

With the first design

unveiled

render-

PIERS PARK III

RELEASED

design.

nity survey.

marsh.

MVVA's

of the design. The online survey can be found at https://onewaterfront.thetrustees. org/survey.

to inform the next draft

"Right now we want to know what would attract you to this future waterfront park, what features of this first design do you like, and what's still missing?" said Black. "From the start our goal has been to create a park for, and with, the community so it's critical to hear different voices and incorporate public feedback into these designs. We expect this design process to continue throughout 2021, as we move into gathering ideas and presenting options for park activities and programming." Black said that poll

questions and a Q&A session generated lively discussion during the recent public meetings where the first design was released. Participants asked questions ranging from the climate resilience of the future park to the size and height of the landscape, and whether a ferry stop See Region Page 11

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meeting, the Trustees of to learn more about the Reservations current issues facing the a landscape architect specific neighborhood. firm's first draft of the "My Administration future Piers Park III park

sealed and clearly

marked "Mary C. Burke

LEGAL NOTICES

10:00 A.M. on the return

This day is NOT a hearing

date, but a deadline date

by which you have to file

petition. If you fail to file

the written appearance

the written appearance

if you object to the

by the return date,

action may be taken

in this matter without

further notice to you.

In addition to filing the

written appearance, you

or your attorney must

file a written affidavit

and grounds of your

after the return date

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this

proceeding may limit or

above-named person's

right to make decisions

about personal affairs

or financial affairs or

both. The above-named

person has the right to

may make this request

on behalf of the above-

named person. If the

above-named person

State expense.

Court.

cannot afford a lawyer

one may be appointed at

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J.

Date: May 07, 2021

Register of Probate

Felix D. Arroyo,

Dunn, First Justice of this

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Sec-

tion 2-7 (b) and (d) of

notice is hereby given

the Chelsea City Charter

that at a regular meeting

of the Chelsea City Coun-

cil held on May 3, 2021,

the City Council voted

after a second reading

to adopt the following

Ordered, that, to fund

the collective bargaining

agreement negotiated

with the SEIU Local 888

the Chelsea City Council

authorizes the appropri-

ation from Free Cash of

\$46,200 to the FY2021

510200 to fund the

Payments.

Regular Salaries Account

FY2021 Contract Bonus

Ordered, that the City

Council hereby accepts

and approves the grant

from Med-Project,

medications.

Program.

209,

City Clerk

LLC in the amount of

\$1,300 to allow for the

collection and disposal

of unwanted household

Ordered, that the City

Council hereby accepts

and approves the gift

from Ms. Ann B. Murphy

in the amount of \$1,500

for support of the Chel-

sea Eats Food Debit Card

Copies of the orders are

available at the Office of

the City Clerk, City Hall,

500 Broadway, Room

Chelsea, MA 02150.

05/13/21

for Fiscal Year 2021,

orders:

5/13/21

ask for a lawyer. Anyone

completely take away the

stating the specific facts

objection within 30 days

date of 06/17/2021.

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE 93 Parker Premises: Street, Chelsea, Massachusetts By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Roman Moszkowicz and Teresa Moszkowicz to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Mortgage Associates, Inc. and now held by Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc, said mortgage dated December 10, 2007, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, in Book 42867 at Page 1, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated January 6, 2016, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 55574 a Page 54, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions

sold at Public Auction on June 3, 2021, at 11:00 AM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The land in Chelsea, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, now numbered 93 Parker Street, bounded and described as follows: PARCEL ONE: Beginning at a point on the Southwesterly side of said Street, fifty (50) feet distant Southeasterly from Spencer Avenue, thence running; SOUTHEASTERLY by said Parter Street, fifty (50)

in said mortgage and

for the purpose of fore-

closing the same will be

feet, thence turning at a right angle and running SOUTHWESTERL Y thirty-three (33) feet, thence runnina: NORTHWESTERLY fifty (50) feet, thence running NORTHEASTERLY thir-

ty-three (33) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1,650 square feet; being said measurements and contents more or less PARCEL TWO:

the land in said Chelsea. being Lot B on a plan by James F. Hendry, C.E., dated May 28, 1958, bounded and described SOUTHEASTERLY by land now or late of Omar J. Pothier et ux, three and

50/100 (3.50) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by land now or late of Frances G. Borucki, forty-four and 80/100 (44.80) feet; NORTHEASTERLY by land now or late of said William J. and Jessie LeBlanc, by a line parallel with and distant thirty-three and 33/100 (33.33) feet Southwesterly from Parker Stret,

torty-four and 80/100 (44.80) feet. Containing 157 square feet; being said measurements and contents more or less and all according to said plan. Being the same premises

conveyed to these Mortgagors by deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 17753, Page 28. The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated October 1, 1992, and recorded in Book 17753 at Page 28 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds. TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances,

unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid by a certified

check, bank treasurer's

or cashier's check at the

time and place of the

sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by a certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within forty five (45) days after the date of sale. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Marinosci Law Group, P.C. 275 West Natick Road, Suite 500 Warwick, RI 02886 Attorney for Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. Present Holder of the Mortgage Telephone: (401) 234-9200 MLG File No.: 17-09488

05/13/21, 05/20/21, 05/27/21

LEGAL NOTICE



Case No. 2021-08 In accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A, a meeting of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held by way of video conference on Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Mikael R. Vienneau For Major Site Plan Review to establish thirty (30) residential units by combining both lots, demolishing a rectory and constructing a new building in its place and constructing residential units in the former church and in the new building at the premises known as: 157-163 Chestnut Street All interested parties wishing to provide a public comment or to join the video conference meeting must communicate with idepriest@ chelseama.gov. Name and address must be included in order to be read during the Public Speaking section of the meeting and email address in order to join the meeting. Plans and copies of the application best interest of the City. and petition may be In accordance with our

5/6/21, 5/13/21

viewed by appointment

by contacting John

chelseama.gov).

DePriest (jdepriest@

LEGAL NOTICE



INVITATION FOR BIDS

Beacon Street & Chestnut

Street Pedestrian Improvements The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor and materials for "Beacon Street & Chestnut Street Pedestrian Improvements". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dragica Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at divanis@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 "Beacon Street & Chestnut Street Pedestrian Improvements" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 10:00AM on Thursday, May 27, 2021. 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 ap-

proved by the City, all in

the amount of 5% of the

bid payable to the "City

The City of Chelsea re-

serves the right to accept

of Chelsea.

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. Dragica Ivanis Chief Procurement Officer

5/13/21

Officer



CITY OF CHELSEA INVITATION FOR BIDS Purchase of small wall mounted air purifiers and filters (purchase of materials only) The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Bids for marked "Purchase of small wall mounted air purifiers and filters (purchase of materials only)" Invitation for Bids will be Chelsea. Invitation for Bid docuavailable on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dragica Ivanis Chief Procurement Officer atdivanis@chelseama. gov or by visiting the City's website at http:// www.chelseama.gov/ purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked "Purchase of small wall mounted air purifiers and filters (purchase of materials only)" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 12:00 PM, Thursday, May 27, 2021. The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularto be in the best interest ities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the of the City.

LEGAL NOTICE

5/13/21

Minority Business Enter-

prise Plan, we are invit-

ing all qualified women

and minority business

The City of Chelsea is

an Equal Opportunity

Employer. This Invitations

for Bids is in accordance

with M.G.L. Chapter 30b.

firms to respond.

Dragica Ivanis

Officer

Chief Procurement



CITY OF CHELSEA REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Computer Aided Dispatch

Records Management System for 911 and Police The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Proposals for marked "Computer Aided Dispatch Records Management System for 911 and Police. Request for Proposals will be available on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dragica Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at divanis@ chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website at http://www.chelseama. gov/purchasing/pages/ current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked "Computer Aided Dispatch Records Management System for 911 and Police" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 10:00AM on Monday, June 7, 2021. The City of Chelsea re-

serves the right to accept

any proposal, to reject

any or all proposals and

to waive minor irregularincapacitated, that the ities and/or formalities appointment of a Guardas it deems to be in the ian is necessary, and that best interest of the City. the proposed Guardian is In accordance with our appropriate. The petition Minority Business Enteris on file with this court prise Plan, we are invitand may contain a reing all qualified women quest for certain specific and minority business authority firms to respond. You have the right to The City of Chelsea is object to this proceeding. an Equal Opportunity If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must This Request for Proposfile a written appearance als is in accordance with at this court on or before

5/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE

M.G.L. Chapter 30B.

Chief Procurement

Dragica Ivanis



CITY OF CHELSEA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION FOR BIDS EMERGENCY FOOD DISTRIBUTION & TRANS PORTATION SUPPORT SERVICES The City of Chelsea Mas-

sachusetts through its Chief Procurement Officer is seeking sealed bids to furnish all services to provide "Emergency Food Distribution & Transportation Support Services" for the City of

ments are available on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dragica Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at divanis@ 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 "Emergency Food Distribution & Transportation Support Services and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 11:00 AM on Thursday, June 3, 2021. 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

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. Dragica Ivanis Chief Procurement Officer

5/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE COMMONWEALTH

OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA 02114 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 Docket No. SU21P0529GD In the matter of: Alyan Escobar RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person Of: Chelsea, MA To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Maria Rodrijuez Escobar of Chelsea, MA, Juan B Escobar of Chelsea, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Alyan Escobar is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Maria Rodriiuez Escobar of Chelsea, MA (or some

other suitable person) be

appointed as Guardian to

serve Without Surety on

The petition asks the

that the Respondent is

court to determine

the bond.

LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HFARING** FISCAL YEAR 2022 PRO-POSED ANNUAL

OPERATING BUDGET In accordance with the provisions of the City Charter of the City of Chelsea, Section 5-3(a), notice is hereby given

that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, June 7, 2021 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, Massachusetts at 7:00 p.m., on the Proposed FY'2022 Annual Operating Budget for the City of Chelsea. The Proposed FY'2022 Annual Operating Budget for all City services and facilities total \$196.5 million. Operating costs for the enterprise services during the year total \$22.6 million. The tax funded budget, which supports the traditional municipal services such as police, fire, parks and libraries, totals \$173.9 million in FY'2022. A copy of the materials are available for review at the Chelsea City Council Office, City Hall, 500 Broadway #306, Chelsea, MA 02150 during City Hall business hours. Or email fmelara@

5/13/21, 5/20/21

chelseama.gov to request

Chelsea City Council

materials.

ident



PUBLIC HEARING

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, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers 500 Broadway Pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City

of the public hearing is to receive comment at Cary Square. Per Order

5/13/21

<u>LEGAL NOTICE</u>



In accordance with Section 2-7 (b) and (d) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on May 3, 2021, the City Council voted after a second reading Ordered, that the Municipal Council of the City

to adopt the following orders: of Chelsea for Suffolk County, all duly chosen, qualified and acting, their approval of said concurrence with said Massachusetts Department of Transportation therein and in every act, matter and thing connected therewith: therefore, acceptance of Eastern Avenue as city owned roadway. A copy of the order is available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room 209,

Chelsea, MA 02150. Jeannette Cintron White

City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114

(617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL **ADJUDICATION** Docket No. SU21P0782EA Estate of: Margaret Elizabeth Lewis Date of Death 01/23/2019 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Louise Sullivan of Revere MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Louise Sullivan of Revere MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this

Roy Avellaneda, Presproceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance

and objection at this

on the return day of

This is NOT a hearing

date, but a deadline by

written appearance and

objection if you object

to this proceeding. If

you fail to file a timely

written appearance and

objection followed by an

affidavit of objections

within thirty (30) days

may be taken without

further notice to you.

MINISTRATION UNDER

THE MASSACHUSETTS

(MUPC)

UNIFORM PROBATE CODE

A Personal Representa-

tive appointed under the

MUPC in an unsupervised

required to file an inven-

tory or annual accounts

with the Court. Persons

interested in the estate

are entitled to notice

regarding the adminis-

tration directly from the

Personal Representative

and may petition the

Court in any matter

relating to the estate,

administration.

Court.

including the distribution

of assets and expenses of

Dunn, First Justice of this

05/13/21

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J.

Date: April 22, 2021

Register of Probate

Felix D. Arroyo

administration is not

UNSUPERVISED AD-

of the return day, action

which you must file a

06/03/2021.

Court before: 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL NOTICE



HEARING CHELSEA TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter

of Chelsea, the purpose regarding a request to consolidate two bus stops

Chief Brian A. Kyes Chairperson



LEGAL NOTICE In accordance with Section 2-7 (b) and (d) of the Chelsea City Charter notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on May 3, 2021, herein join in and signify the City Council voted after a second reading discontinuance and their to adopt the following

orders: NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED THAT THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES of the City of Chelsea as amended, be it further amended and adopted as follows: **AMEND CHAPTER 16** - MICELLANEOUS OF FENSES AND PROVISIONS, ARTICLE VI OFFENSES INVOLVING PUBLIC PEACE AND OR-

DER AS FOLLOWS: 05/13/21 Add a new subsection (o) to 16-99 Noise Control as follows:

(o) Fireworks. The use of fireworks subject to Section 39 of Chapter 148 of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be defined to constitute an unreasonable noise under this section. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, the penalty for a

first offense use of

fireworks shall be \$300. FURTHER AMEND CHAPTER 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 1-8 GENERAL PENALTY; CRIMINAL AND NONCRIMINAL DISPOS-Add to the table in Section 1-8(c) a new row as follows: Noise Ordinance (fireworks), Section 16-99(o) \$300, any offense Police officers, Fire Fighters and Inspectional Services inspectors Copies of the orders are available at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room Chelsea, MA 02150. Jeannette Cintron White City Clerk

05/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA INVITATION FOR BIDS Mary C. Burke (MCB) Elementary School Repair and Roof Coating Phase 2 Project The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Bids for marked "Mary C. Burke (MCB) Elementary School Repair and Roof Coating Phase 2 Project". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dylan Cook, School Business Manager at dcook@chelseama. gov or by visiting the City's website at http:// www.chelseama.gov/ purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked "Mary C. Burke (MCB) Elementary School Repair and Roof Coating Phase 2 Project" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 10:30 AM on May 27, 2021.

The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond. The City of Chelsea is

an Equal Opportunity Employer. This Request for Propos-

als is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 149. General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work – Roofing and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime Update Statement (Form CQ 3). Dylan Cook School Business Manager

05/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE



CITY OF CHELSEA INVITATION FOR BIDS Mary C. Burke (MCB) Bus Lane Paving The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Bids for marked "Mary C. Burke (MCB) Bus Lane Paving". Invitation for Bids will be available on or after May 13, 2021 by contacting Dylan Cook, School Business Manager at dcook@chelseama. gov or by visiting the City's website at http:// www.chelseama.gov/ purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Proposals must be

(MCB) Bus Lane Paving and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 11:30 AM on May 27, 2021. The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond. The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer.This Request for Proposals is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 149. Dylan Cook School Business Manager 05/13/21

LEGAL NOTICE



Case No. 2021-07 In accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A, a meeting of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held by way of video conference on Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: 22 Willow Fee Owner, LLC - Marginal Suffolk Fee Owner, LLC For Major Site Plan Review to construct a freight forwarding facility which does not meet the current zoning regulations for building height and rear yard setback at the premises known as: 250 Marginal Street, 21 & 22 Highland Street, and 22 Willow Street All interested parties wishing to provide a public comment or to join the video conference meeting must communicate with jdepriest@ chelseama.gov. Name and address must be included in order to be read during the Public Speaking section of the meeting and email address in order to join the meeting. Plans and copies of the application and petition may be viewed by appointment by contacting John DePriest (jdepriest@ chelseama.gov).

LEGAL NOTICE

5/6/21, 5/13/21



HEARING

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, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers 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 to change the two parking meters in front of E-911 on Washington Avenue from two hour maximum to ten hour maximum. Per Order Chief Brian A. Kyes Chairperson

Please visit www.chelsearecord.com

JoAnn Fabrizio

March 27, 1947 - May 8, 2021

JoAnn (Fiore) Fabrizio passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, May 8 in her Chelsea Home.

Born, raised and a lifelong resident of Chelsea, she was the beloved daughter of the late Albert A. and Irene E. (Sosnowski) Fiore.

JoAnn attended St. Stanislaus Parochial School and graduated from Chelsea High School. She continued her education at U-Mass Boston and BHCC and worked for over 35 years as a Lead Typist for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Human Resources Division until retiring in 2002. She was a lifelong devoted parishioner of the former St. Stanislaus Church and a member of the Chelsea Senior

In her lifetime, JoAnn enjoyed playing games of chance, visiting the Encore Casino, Foxwoods and trips to Las Vegas and Atlantic City. A beach goer at heart, she enjoyed time spent at local beaches and dancing with family and friends.

Center.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Giuseppe Fabrizio, her brothers and sisters-in law: Domenico and Anna Fabrizio, Maria and Francesco Garofalo, Antonio Fabrizio, Giuseppe Pagliuca, Sabino and Giudetta Fabrizio. She is survived by her loving son, Anthony Fabrizio of Chelsea. She was the dear sister of Francis Fiore and his wife, Norma of Warwick, RI and Maryann Fiore and her life partner,



Paul Murphy of Everett; the dear sister-in-law of Antonia Pagliuca of Chelsea, Gerado Fabrizio and his wife, Antonetta of Saugus and Delia Cassano and her husband, Antonio of Lynnfield. She is also lovingly survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews, great and great grandnieces and nephews. Visiting hours will be

held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday, May 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Her Funeral will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home on Saturday, May 15 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 670 Washington Ave. Revere at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. All services will be held in accordance with the Commonwealth of MA Covid-19 Phase-IV regulations.

We continue to encourage family and friends who wish, to offer condolences by means of the online guest book by visiting www.welshfh.com.

Should friends desire, contributions in JoAnn's name should be directed to a charity of their choice.

OBITUARIES

Cecilio Silva

US Gypsum retiree and dedicated NY Yankees Fan

Family and friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours on Friday, May 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, 773 Broadway (Rt.107) Revere for Cecilio Silva, 88, who died on Saturday, May 8, at the Massachusetts General Hospital, following a brief illness. A Funeral Service will be held in the Funeral Home on Saturday, May 15 at 11 a.m. followed by interment in St. Joseph Cemetery, Lynn. Face masks must be worn at all times and social distancing must be maintained in the funeral home.

Cecilio was a native of Sao Nicolau, Cape Verde where he was raised and educated. As a young man, he worked on his family farm before he left Cape Verde and moved to Brazil. In 1968, Cecilio came to the United States. settling in Dorchester and later relocating to Chelsea, where he remained until his death.

Cecilio worked in manufacturing his entire career. He worked for U.S. Gypsum in Charlestown as a supervisor for over 25 years. Cecilio was a humble man with an extraordinary work ethic. He liked to watch his television shows and watch his beloved Yankees. All of his friends and family knew how much he loved the Yankees. He loved having a good time with friends and family and he also enjoyed having conversations and debates about political topics.



The beloved husband of Inacia (Ramos) Silva of East Boston, he was the cherished father of Cecil R. Silva of East Boston, Maria R. de Cruz and her husband, Antonio of Providence, RI, Nelson F. Ramos and his wife, Jessica and Armando Lopes, all of East Boston. He was the loving grandfather of six grandchildren and dear brother of Julia Silva of Brazil and the late Elci Silva, Yosi R. Silva, Antonio dos R. Silva, Eva Silva Rocha, Aida Silva, Maria dos Silva, Celestino Silva and Augusta Silva Almeida. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Last Call Foundation, 73 Elm St., Cohasset, MA 02025.

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Ann Freitas

Retired G.E. Production Control Manager

Ann M. Freitas, 88, died in the love and care of her family on Wednesday, May 5 in Groveland. Ann was a native of

Chelsea and lived here entire life. She was educated in Chelsea Schools and was a graduate of Chelsea High School, Class of 1950. Ann then began a long career with G. E. in Lynn. She retired in 1992 after 42 years as a Production Control Manager. Ann's humble, friendly and witty personality allowed her to be very productive in her job and she made sure tasks were completed efficiently.

Her entire life was always even keeled, and she was dedicated to caring for her family and family members. If she was your friend, you had a friend for life. She was truly a genuine person who asked for nothing in return. She completed many acts of kindness from the goodness of her heart and never expecting any recognition or accolades. Ann was a "FANatic"

when it came to her Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots. Much like her personality, she loved them when they were winning and losing, never unwavering her support for her teams. Ann loved to travel and

travel she did. Throughout her life, she traveled the world. Ann was an avid golfer, bowler and bridge player. She was active throughout her life, participating in many social events. Ann was a special



person to many who knew and loved her.

The devoted daughter of the late Theodore and Anna M. (Cronin) Freitas, she was the loving sister of the late John T. Freitas and his wife, Barbara and Francis Freitas; cherished and proud aunt of Marian Freitas and her partner, Karen Hartz of Groveland, James M. Freitas of Dallas, TX, John D. Freitas of Palm Coast, FL, William T. Freitas and his wife, Lenore of So. Natick and the late Robert Freitas. She is also lovingly survived by many grandnieces, grandnephews and many friends and extended family. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital,

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Lillian Dixon

September 29, 1921 - May 10, 2021

Lillian (DeAngelis) Dixon passed away on Monday, May 10 in her Chelsea home surrounded by friends and family. She was 99 years old. Born and raised in Chel-

sea, a beloved daughter of the late Lawrence and Mary (Healey) DeAngelis. She spent most of her life residing in the family home on Webster Ave in Chelsea. A graduate of Chelsea High School, she worked as an X-ray Technician for 25 years at the Quigley Memorial Hospital (Chelsea Soldiers Home.) Lillian was married to

the late Fiore (Swede) Dalelio. She was a lifetime member of the Women of the Moose and a member of the Moose Drill Team. Lillian (Lily baby) was a resident at the Admiral's Tower in Chelsea for the past 20 years and enjoyed volunteering her time running the tower "Ships" thrift store. She was a world trav-

eler visiting exotic places from Hawaii to Israel and vacationing at her nephews' home in Jamaica. In addition to her par-

ents and husband, she was also predeceased by her beloved son, Howard F. Dixon and her siblings; Barbara Zakas and Robert DeAngelis. She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Marion Dixon of Chelsea an she was the loved and cherished grandmother of Robert Dixon and his wife, Karen of Everett, John Dixon of Chelsea and Linda Grasso and her husof Needband, Peter

ham; adored

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D'Addario and Carter Grasso and dearest great-great-grandmother of Elena Angelina D'Add-Visiting hours will be at

the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea, this morning, Thursday,

May 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. The visitation will be followed by a prayer service in the Funeral Home at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery,

Everett. All services will be held in accordance to the

Commonwealth of MA Covid-19 Phase-IV regu-We continue to encourage family and friends

who wish, to offer condolences at this time by means of the online guest book or to send a personalized sympathy card visit: www.WelshFH.com Should friends desire, contributions in Lilian's

name should be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501

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ciated Home Care and the

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Hospice.

Franklin Kushmerek

Licensed plumber, lifelong member of the Chelsea Yacht Club, the Polish Progressive Club, a Shriner and a 32nd Degree Mason.

Franklin R. Kushmerek of Revere entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, May 4 in the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. He was 79 years

Born in Chelsea, Frank lived in Revere for more than 20 years. He was a licensed plumber by profession and was a former employee of the Chelsea Housing Authority and the former MDC. Frank was a lifelong member of the Chelsea Yacht Club, the Polish Progressive Club, a Shriner and a 32nd Degree Mason.

The beloved husband of the late Ellen T. (Grace), he was the dear and devoted step-father of Andrew Frongillo of Malden and his former wife, Kathleen Frongillo and Joellen West and her husband, Troy of Danvers; dear brother of Henry Kushmerek and Stanley Kushmerek along with six other siblings; loving



Haley and Lauren West and Justin Frongillo.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark St. (Corner of Main St.) Everett. Entombment was in Holy Cross Chapel Mausoleum, Malden. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Franklin's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 would be sincerely appreciated.

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might be an option.

Black said feedback on the first design will continue to be gathered throughout the spring and early summer, with additional public meeting dates being announced in the coming weeks.

"We hope to hear from a wide selection of people interested in this park," added Black. "We want this to be a gathering place for families, and a favorite space for Bostonians—a world-class destination on our beautiful harbor and a real community resource for the neighborhoods behind it."

Two years ago, the Trustees of Reservations submitted the only bid to Massport's call for a private/public partner to come forward and help fund the design and construction of Piers Park Phase III.

The dilapidated pier is adjacent to Massport's award winning Piers Park and the future Piers Park Phase II project.

The Trustees of Reservations operate 120 miles of protected coastline, which includes over 60 miles of trails, and a bunch of beaches and all sorts of other natural habitats in the state.

Massport has been working with the community and other stakeholders over the last two to three years to build out Piers Park Phase II. It was around this time the Trustees of Reservations started having conversations with Massport about their waterfront initiative.

The Trustees of Reservations spent a lot of 2019 working with Massport and others to investigate the site and understand what the conditions were so theTrustees of Reservations could start to piece together what the possibilities would be for a waterfront park that is

active and engaging. At a community meeting last week, Gabriela Ramirez introduced herself as the new Piers Park III Community Outreach Coordinator. Like Black, Ramirez encouraged residents to take the project

"We are using the survey for community input and we're still interested in gathering the community's thoughts, feedback and question (on the first design)," said Ramirez. " If you have not responded, please do so and, if you can, share the survey with your friends and your neighbors. We want to make sure that the designer has as much of the community's input as possible. This will be our park and the Trustees really want to see what the community wants."

Ramirez also reported that the Trustees will be hiring 12 high schoolaged youth for their Boston Waterfront Ambassadors Summer Program.

"It's a seven week paid job for youth ages 15 to 18," said Ramirez. "The program runs from July to August and will be both virtual and in person. These Ambassadors will learn about the waterfront in East Boston and across the city and they're going to be working on the Piers Park III project and engaging with the community.'

SEEKING CANNABIS GROW LICENSE

EAST BOSTON. For the past eight years, Shawn Cooney of Corner Stalk Farms has been quietly growing fresh greenleaf vegetables inside old shipping containers that have been repurposed to grow year round crops down on Condor Street along Chelsea Creek.

At last week's Eagle Hill Civic Association

meeting Cooney said he's revisiting his plan to begin growing cannabis here in East Boston and will be seeking a grow license from the state.

"Currently we at Corner Stalk Farm produce lettuce and herbs for sale and in 2018 we got our hemp license from the US Department of Agriculture for the cultivation and manufacturing of hemp products on the same space under Cloud Farming Llc.," said Cooney at the meeting. "We've been growing (hemp) in this space since 2018 with no security problems. We're modular so we can isolate our hemp production, and future cannabis production, from our lettuce and greens production."

However, part of urban farming is making the business sustainable for the long term. With medicinal and recreational marijuana dispensaries open for business Cooney is looking toward cannabis as a much-needed cash crop to keep Corner Stalk going.

"If we get a cannabis license, hopefully with your (EHCA) approval we will still be a lettuce farm," explained Cooney. "We will also still be a hemp farm under the license we've had since 2018."

Cooney said the hemp and cannabis growing operations would be both under Cloud Farming and if they succeed in getting a cannabis grow license from the state it will be used for cultivation and manufacturing of cannabis only.

"There will be no retail sales on site," said Cooney. "Eventually we may be able to produce oil and rosins and sell those products to other manufacturing operations that sell to dispensaries."

Inside the shipping

containers, cannabis will

Compared to the harmful chemical and grey water runoff created by industrial farming and urban pollution, Corner Stalk has no runoff and uses no pesticides or harmful chemicals. To top it off, Corner Stalk's leverage vertical growing technology is able to grow 20 plants per square foot of farm space. As for security, Cooney said all the grow units in the repurposed shipping

be grown with hydropon-

ics, a soil-less growing

method that allows the

cultivation of plants using

re-circulated water with

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containers are secure.

"They're all metal construction, stainless steel, aluminum and corten steel," he said, "There will be no retail on site, there's no foot traffic, there's no cash and there's no transactions. They are already video monitors inside and we have a 24 hour surveillance set up with human monitoring.'

Cooney added that expanding to a cannabis grow operation could potentially bring an additional 15 living wage jobs for local residents to Corner Stalk.

Cooney's Corner Stalk, which opened a fresh veggie stand a few years back at the Boston Public Market in downtown, specializes in using Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA). Cooney said LED lighting, temperature control and automatic water flow within insulated shipping containers creates the ideal environment that leafy greens need. A year round growing season and dense planting allow maximum productivity so when there's a blizzard or heat wave, Cooney is still harvesting delicious leafy



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CHELSEA SCHOOL UPDATE

DISTRICT UPDATES

•Last week was a week of celebration and appreciation. On Friday, May 7, 2021, it was School Lunch Hero Day. The CPS thanked its hard working, dedicated, amazing food service staff with flowers, cake, and a card full of thanks. These women have produced and served 1,198,500 meals since March of 2020. They are incredible and should be celebrated regularly.

•May 3-7 was Teacher Appreciation Week. The District and Schools found many ways to thank our amazing teachers, paras, and support staff. In celebration of Teacher's Appreciation week, CPS's friends at the Chelsea Kiwanis Club, in coordination with the Parent Liaisons & Buildings and Grounds, were very kind in sending Dunkin Donuts Coffee and Donuts to all the teachers at each of the nine schools. THANK YOU to Renee Griffin and her awesome staff at the Chelsea **Dunkin Donuts on Everett** Ave. for all of their help coordinating this. The Central Office Team in addition sent teachers a sweet surprise to wrap up the week. Thank you to Stop & Shop Everett for baking all nine cakes for our teachers.

•Thursday, May 6, was National Nurses Day. The schools would like to take the time to acknowledge the great work done by its nurses. They provide a special and unique service to students and families.

•Chelsea Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) met last Friday, April 30. There were a total of seven parents, five former SEPAC members and they welcomed two new parents, the meeting was in Spanish, with Interpretation Consecutive Interpretation to Spanish >< En-

EARLY LEARNING **CENTER UPDATES**

•Ms. Jackie's class at the ELC moved onto math block 5. They are learning to measure with cubes and even used Play-doh to see shorter and longer.

•Mrs. Faiella and Miss Maria's class celebrated Mother's Day on May 7



The Chelsea REACH Program has begun in-person programming again. On Wednesday, May 5, Group Leader Nehemie St. Louis hosted a paint day activity for Reach Students. The students painted a scenic image. The image challenged the students to have patience and trust the process. Trusting the process allowed the students to have a beautiful finish. Chelsea REACH is so excited to be back in the building doing activities and recruiting new members. All middle and high schoolers are welcome.

with students and moms, via Zoom. Classes dressed up in fancy clothes, had a special snack with moms and made Mother's Day cards and gifts. Happy Mother's Day to all of the wonderful moms.

KELLY SCHOOL **UPDATES**

•Ms. Gold's 2nd grade OLA and Mrs. Coiley's 4th grade OLA classes have formed a cross-grade buddy partnership and enjoyed meeting up to get to know each other better.

BERKOWITZ SCHOOL UPDATES

•Mrs. Brown's Social Communication's class made Mother's Day gifts for their Moms. They also wrote cards and talked about how thankful they are for their Moms.

SOKOLOWSKI SCHOOL UPDATES

•This year, Cambridge Saving Bank presented "Teach Children to Save" virtually. The first grade got together to read "Curious George Saves His Pennies" and then discussed money concepts taught in this educational and fun story.

preciation week, Principal Nate Meyers and Assistant Principal Camilo Machado strolled the school giving teachers a much needed and well deserved snack. Teach-Paraprofessionals

•During Teacher Ap-

and School Staff truly felt loved, refueled and appreciated. While the balloon display, posters, goodie bags, hand sanitizer holders, room service, coffee and donuts, water bottles, and pizza for lunch brought you some joy this week, it is still not enough to display the heartfelt gratitude to all who have approached this uniquely challenging school year with grace, determination, and dedication for students, families, and community. Whether teaching roomies in the building or zoomies at home, staff have moved the world forward for students.

BROWNE MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATES

•The Literacy Team at Browne Middle School had a book distribution for all remote students. Students received their next anchor text and an independent reading book of their choice. Not only was it a beautiful afternoon, but it was so much fun to see "zoomies" in real life and talk to them about books.

CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL UPDATES

•Parent Jaqueline Freeman surprised CHS with Katz bagels, Pizza bagels and a cake. And the Kiwanis Club jump started the teachers with coffee and donuts.

Global security firm enters consent agreement with Suffolk DA Rollins

Sweeping changes in training of guards and Special Police Officers hired by a subsidiary of the global security firm Securitas, as well as how the company retains records are part of an innovative pretrial probation consent agreement between the giant security firm and the state, Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins announced last week.

The agreement, approved today by Judge Michael D. Ricciuti, will be in effect for two years and if it is complied with, then the criminal charges against Securitas Security Services USA Inc. of Parsippany, N.J. will be dropped on May 4, 2023. If Securitas fails to comply – as monitored by the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office – the case will then move to trial. Mohammad Khan, and his employer Securitas were charged in 2019 with assault and battery on a child under 14 and one count each of civil rights violations.

"The actions of Mr. Khan and the company which employed him were deeply troubling in part because the company had reprimanded him several times previously for excessive force. This pretrial consent agreement will help ensure that nothing like this happens again in any Massachusetts retail outlet that hires Securitas personnel as guards," said DA Rachael Rollins. "The agreement notes that there are 292 such locations in Massachusetts and 92 of them are in Suffolk Coun-

"The changes in training will include de-escalation of high-risk situations, management of aggressive behavior, unconscious bias, and handling and processing of juvenile offenders," DA Rollins said. "Revisions to the training program will incorporate principles in limits of authority and use of force." To lessen the risk of

intentional deletion or destruction of video evidence, the agreement calls for Securitas to implement an updated records retention policy at all retail lo-

cations in Massachusetts. All videos and written records of arrests or use of force complaints will be stored in a separate computer accessible only by management.

Securitas will also make a charitable donation of \$25,000 to an organization that seeks to address the mental health/trauma related needs of young individuals and/or seeks to address the effect of community policing on juveniles and emerging adults.

ADA Teniola Adeyemi told the court that the donation was in addition to a payment already made to the juvenile as part of civil litigation against the company. Attorney Paul V. Kelly represented Securitas in this case.

Under state law, to prove corporate liability the Commonwealth must show that an individual committed a criminal offense, that the individual who committed the offense was involved in a corporate business, and that the individual was vested with authority to act for the corporation with respect to that business. District Attorney Rachael Rollins' Office believes those thresholds have been met and ex-

ceeded in this instance. This consent agreement, said to be the first of its kind in the history of the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, will have an outside auditor review the company's actions in addition to oversight by the DA's office.

The case is the result of a call from State Representative Nika Elugardo to DA Rollins alerting her about an incident in a Boston store in June of 2019. Initial claims alleged that a Primark security guard, Khan, used excessive and unreasonable force to detain an 11-year-old shoplifter, who admitted taking several items of clothing from the Primark store at 10 Summer St. in Boston on June 9, 2019. Boston Police estimated the value of the stolen goods to be

A lengthy investigation found that Khan, a Special Police Officer employed by Securitas, had been reprimanded at least four times previously for using more force than permitted by the company and for violating protocol. On June 9, 2019 he grabbed the 11-year-old girl, pulled her back into the store, and pushed her into a corner obstructing the view of the CCTV security camera. Over the course of more than seven minutes, Khan, who is 6' 1" and 225 pounds, grabbed the girl by the head and neck and threw her to the ground, punched her in the face while straddling her as she was on the ground, and even after being separated from her by Boston Police, re-engaged in struggling with her. All of this was done even though Khan was under explicit orders not to touch any customers, including suspected shoplifters. In addition, his Securitas co-workers and passersby urged him

to stop. The District Attorney's Office indicted both cases, against Securitas and Khan, and also notified BPD of Khan's excessive and allegedly criminal conduct, as BPD issued the license for him to be a Special Police Officer.

"This is an exceptional result and I commend Securitas and their counsel, Paul Kelly, for committing to improving its policies and practices. I also commend the Securitas employees that stepped up that day urging Khan to stop his violent behavior. They represent the best of this company, and likely far exceed the number of Khans who work there. I appreciate the quick work by Boston Police to de-escalate and control this volatile situation upon their

arrival. "We think differently about solutions when we see problems in Suffolk County. This consent agreement, which covers the hundreds of Securitas locations throughout Massachusetts, ensures appropriate training for and humane treatment by any security officer licensed by the police to engage with the public. And that is good for the people of Suffolk County."

The charges against Mr. Khan are not impacted by this agreement. He returns to court on June 9 for a readiness hearing. Mr. Khan is represented by attorney Derege Demissie.









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