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The boat tour was hosted by British Consul General Peter Abbott, in partnership with Mystic River Watershed Association, GreenRoots Chelsea, and Climable.org.

## British Consul General Peter Abbott tours Chelsea Creek

By John Lynds

Last Friday, British Consul General Peter Abbott, in partnership with Mystic River Watershed Association, GreenRoots Chelsea, and Climable.org, hosted a Climate Equity Boat Ride through Chelsea Creek. Abbott got a first hand look at the effects climate change may pose on Environmental Justice Communities that line the Chelsea Creek like Chelsea and East Boston that are already overburdened with industry and pollution.

Historically, the Chelsea Creek has played host

to oil and jet fuel storage facilities as well as other industrial uses. During the tour leading environmental activists shared the history of inequality in the area, but also pointed out the current partnerships and programming being done to benefit communities along the Chelsea Creek.

These partnerships aim to improve public health from pollution, adapt to sea-level rise, and engage in local communities.

During the tour Abbott highlighted workforce development opportunities and green jobs for local citizens, as well as discus-

sions for future US-UK partnerships on climate.

"I'm standing in front of Boston Harbor, and I just came back from a boat trip with some folks to look at some of the environmental justice communities that live and work behind me on Boston Harbor, and in Chelsea Creek," said Abbott after the boat tour. "Some of these communities are always hit first and worst by the effects of climate change. We've looked at some of the salt piles that are stored here that increased aspirates. We've looked at some of the jet fuel containers and heating oil containers that

make these areas suffer some of the worst pollution levels in Massachusetts. It's really been an inspiring trip to understand a little bit of bit more about some of the work that's going on to help these communities mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change, and this is at the heart of what we're trying to achieve in COP26 in Glasgow, making it one of the most inclusive climate conferences that we have seen yet. So we're looking forward to keeping up that dialogue with these amazing groups here

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## Virtual Taste of Chelsea set for Sept. 13

Special to the Record

Since COVID-19 continues to be an issue, The Taste of Chelsea will be virtual again this year as we continue taking a cautious approach in light of the health impacts our community has experienced and as we wait to see what the potential is for any additional pandemic concerns in the fall. We're inviting everyone to join us for the 18th annual Taste of Chelsea on Monday, Sept. 13 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom for a virtual event. Co-hosted by HarborCOV and the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce, the highly visible and popular Taste of Chelsea has traditionally brought together corporate and local sponsors, area food and beverage vendors, volunteers, survivors and more than 500 ticket holders each year. In that spirit, the 2021 virtual

Taste of Chelsea aims to capture that same spirit of community connection.

The pandemic's impact was severe on our communities, especially on survivors' isolation, stress, financial instability and even fewer options for safety. Over the last year, HarborCOV has provided financial assistance for a range of pandemic-related costs like hotels, housing, food, medication and

technology for hundreds of families to keep them as safe, healthy and connected as possible. Our local restaurants, which have so generously donated their food, staff time and operational costs to the Taste of Chelsea over the last 18 years, are also still working hard for their own survival and recovery from the pandemic.

We encourage everyone to order takeout or deliv-

ery from a list of participating restaurants, virtually share a meal together, make dessert with HarborCOV's own Charles, hear local survivor stories and learn about the impact of the pandemic on our communities.

Order food (check out www.harborcov.org for any updates) from: An-

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## CHELSEA ROTARY CLUB INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



The Past Presidents of the Rotary Club of Chelsea gathered for a photo at the Installation of Officers Dinner. Front row, from left, are Joe Panetta, Sue Gallant, Barbara Martin, Allan Alpert. Back row, from left, are Todd Taylor, Robert Alconada, Peter Zaksheski, Ken Webber, D. Bruce Mauch, Barry Kirshon, Joseph Vinard, Rick Gordon, and David Mindlin. See more photos on Page 6.

## Traffic Commission okays several safety upgrade plans

By Adam Swift

Several accident hotspots in Chelsea should see some improvements in the coming months.

At its meeting on Tuesday, the Traffic and Safety Commission approved a request to modify the traffic signal and intersection markings at Spruce Street and Everett Avenue. The commission also approved a request for improved pedestrian safety measures near the Early Learning Center.

"We hired an engineering firm to look at the intersection of Spruce and Everett," said Fidel Maltez, the DPW Commissioner. "What we are seeing are a lot of vehicles on the left-hand side, and they want to make a left across Spruce onto Everett. Because there is not a dedicated lane or light, they are always creeping into the intersection."

The solution devised by the engineering firm calls for a dedicated left-turn lane on Spruce Street to make a left onto Everett Avenue.

"We will modify the road for it with proper markings and proper signage, and we are going to modify the light as well so that the vehicles that are on the left-hand side will have a dedicated left turn onto Everett," Maltez said.

The improvements will have little impact on the current flow of traffic, said Alexander, the Director of Housing and Community Development.

"When our engineers analyzed the proposed change, they demonstrated it wouldn't have an effect on the level of service at the intersection, and it will improve safety," said Train. "One of the major

safety deficiencies at this intersection is that as cars are creeping (into the intersection), they are rear ending each other, and there are many sideswipe accidents. Our goal with this is to decrease the number of these types of crashes while streamlining traffic flow."

Train said the area near the school department's Early Learning Center at the intersection of Hawthorne, Central, and Park streets is also an accident hotspot in the city.

"This school walking route encompasses a high crash cluster with numerous crashes over the last five years," said Train. "We hired our on-call transportation company, TEC, to prepare a plan of interim safety measures that could be implemented with low-cost treatments."

That plan includes painted curb extensions, new crosswalks, signage, and bicycle facilities.

Train said a dedicated bike lane is being considered for the area, but because of some engineering concerns, the city will likely move forward with shared lane markings on Hawthorne Street for bicycles and vehicles to share the road.

"Upon commission and (City) Council approval, our plan would be to implement this configuration in the early fall, with construction completion before the end of December," said Train.

Maltez said this plan is in line with other safety improvements around the Early Learning Center.

"We are really trying to increase pedestrian safety and bicycle safety, and this project is a good complement to the corridor that we are building into the downtown," he said.

## APPRECIATION

Remembering Lou DePrizio, beloved youth sports coach and loving husband, father and grandfather

By Cary Shuman

Lou DePrizio would have been so proud, just as he and his wife, Christine DePrizio, were during all the years they raised their five beautiful children who brought so much joy to their parents through all their academic and athletic accomplishments and their success in their careers.

Jenn DePrizio, speaking on behalf of her brothers, Michael and Nick, and sisters, Allison and Jessica, and her mother, Christine, stepped to the podium at the Our Lady of Grace Church and delivered an incredible eulogy that perfectly captured the friendly, outgoing nature of her father and the admiration



Lou DePrizio.

that people had for him.

Lifelong friends like Dennis Tiro, part of the illustrious, athletically gifted Tiro family, were also there to honor a man, a husband, a father, a grandfather, a brother, who loved being around people and engaging in often, an-

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# City receives grant to tackle climate hazards, prepare for climate change consequences

Staff Report

Building on its commitment to creating a more climate change resilient Commonwealth, the Baker-Polito Administration last week announced \$21 million in grants to cities and towns including two grants for Chelsea through the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Program. The grants were earmarked for Battery Storage System and Solar at Chelsea City Hall, and a shared grant with Everett for Island End River Flood Resilience Project. Commenting on the grants, Alex Tain,AICP, Director of Housing and Community Development in Chelsea said, "Indisputably, climate change is intensifying, posing countless risks to our community, particularly our most vulnerable residents," said Alex Train, AICP, Director of Housing & Community Development. "With these unparalleled investments by the MVP Program, we're able to advance these important flood protection and energy resilience projects, in partnership with the Mystic River Watershed Association and GreenRoots."

A summary of the local projects that were submitted to the state for the grants are as follows:

**Island End River**

Coastal storm surge and flooding is projected to increase in severity and frequency over the coming decade. Presently, the City is overseeing the design, engineering, and permitting activities for a flood protection system along the Island End River Project. Consisting of the restoration of a degraded salt marsh, installation of a flood barrier, and expansion of the riverwalk, the project seeks to safeguard local neighborhoods and critical industry.

In total, the Cities of Chelsea and Everett have secured \$714,500 to advance final design activities in Everett. Previously, the City utilized a MVP grant to support design efforts on the Chelsea side of the project area, which has been completed. By the end of the fiscal year, the Cities aim to complete design efforts in Everett and begin the permitting process for the regional system.

**Community MicroGrid**

Extreme storms, heat, and flooding also pose a severe risk to residents, businesses, and government operations, due to the vulnerabilities of our electric grid. The City and community based organizations have obtained \$624,000 further the energy resilience of City

Hall and local affordable housing. This funding will allow the City to advance the planning, design, and installation of solar panels and energy storage systems at City Hall and the Police Station.

Envisioned by RUN-GJC, a local environmental justice coalition, GreenRoots, and the City, the project would represent the first part of a larger community-owned microgrid network. When the electric grid experiences power outages, a microgrid network would function as an island, providing access to power. The project would enable the City to continue limited operations during power outages, promote the adoption of clean energy, and reduce carbon emissions.

Fidel Maltez, Commissioner of Public Works said about the necessity of these grants, "As extreme storms become more frequent and severe, Chelsea will bear the brunt of climate impacts," acknowledged . Climate change will increase flooding, interrupt power service, and affect a range of vital services, such as healthcare and emergency response. These projects represent a major step toward community-led energy resilience, in conjunction with GreenRoots and RUN-GJC. "

To date, this brings total awards through the MVP program to over \$65 million. The grant program, which was created in 2017 as part of Governor Charlie Baker's Executive Order 569, provides communities with funding and technical support to identify climate hazards, develop strategies to improve resilience, and implement priority actions to adapt to climate change. The grants are in addition to the Administration's proposal to invest \$900 million in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) into key energy and environmental initiatives, including \$300 million to support climate resilient infrastructure.

"With the ongoing success of the MVP program, we are pleased to double the program's funding this year to support local climate change resilience projects throughout the Commonwealth," said Governor Charlie Baker. "Massachusetts communities are implementing important, nation-leading efforts to adapt to climate change. Our Administration is committed to working with municipalities across the Commonwealth to tackle these urgent challenges, which is why we have proposed a significant increase in funding for climate adap-

tation projects through our federal ARPA spending plan."

"The MVP program is a vital tool in our efforts to prepare and strengthen our coastal and inland communities to address the impacts of climate change," said Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito. "We are thrilled to welcome 16 new towns to the program as they take important steps in planning for the future, and to award funding to 66 priority implementation projects that range from upgrading or removing high-risk dams and culverts to investing in Environmental Justice communities."

Through this latest round of funding, 93% of Massachusetts cities and towns, or 328 municipalities, are now enrolled in the MVP program. The program pairs local leadership and knowledge with a significant investment of resources and funding from the Commonwealth to address ongoing climate change impacts, such as inland flooding, storms, sea level rise, and extreme temperatures. Of these funds, \$20.6 million was awarded to 66 cities, towns, or regional partnerships to implement projects that build local resilience to climate change in the Commonwealth's fifth round of MVP Action Grant funding. Additionally, \$400,000 was awarded to 16 towns to pursue a community led planning process to identify vulnerabilities to climate change and priority actions. When complete, these municipalities will be eligible for the next round of implementation funding.

"The MVP program has been recognized as a national model for building climate resiliency through strong state and local partnerships, and we are proud to have enrolled 93% of the municipalities in Massachusetts in this critical effort," said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Kathleen Theoharides. "Every region in Massachusetts experienced extreme weather throughout the summer, including excessive heat, record precipitation, and flooding, and the MVP program offers vital technical and financial assistance to help municipalities address vulnerabilities and create stronger, more liveable climate resilient communities."

The \$21 million announced will go towards MVP Planning Grants and Action Grants. Planning Grants support communities in working with a state-certified technical assistance provider to lead a community-wide planning workshop to identify key climate-related haz-

ards, vulnerabilities and strengths, develop adaptation actions, and prioritize next steps. Results of the workshops and planning efforts inform existing local plans, grant applications, and policies. Communities are then eligible for competitive MVP Action Grant funding to implement priority on-the-

ground projects. Projects are focused on proactive strategies to address climate change impacts and may include retrofitting and adapting infrastructure, actions to invest in and protect environmental justice communities and improve public health, detailed vulnerability assessments or design

and engineering studies, stormwater upgrades, dam retrofits and removals, culvert upgrades, drought mitigation, energy resilience, and projects that focus on implementing nature-based solutions such as wetland restoration and floodplain protection.

## PEOPLE OF CHELSEA

### Taylor Choquet Corcoran - Tambo 22 - December 2019

*(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 Chelsea project and the CPL.)*

By Darlene DeVita

Taylor is co-owner of Tambo 22 along with her husband Brian, they met in high school.

I was born and raised in Chelsea. My parents still live here. They're Chelsea natives living in the house my grandfather built.

I went to school here, Catholic middle school, and high school me and my friends hung out at each other's houses, on the streets, Mc Donalds down the street-your normal teenage hangouts. I knew Chelsea wasn't the safest city, but I was always taught that if you don't feel safe or are not in a good area, just leave. I definitely think it is changing.

I've worked in the restaurant business since I was 14. My first job was "Truly Jorg's" in Chelsea, down by Chelsea High. I realized that I loved it [restaurant business], so I went to school for Hospitality Management [Isenberg School of Management] at UMass Amherst. After graduation, Jose



Taylor Choquet Corcoran, co-owner of Tambo 22.

Duarte from Taranta hired me just out of school. Since then I've been the general manager there. Meeting him was honestly a blessing. I was looking at working at the "99" and chain places! Now he gave us this opportunity to open this restaurant [Tamboo 22]. It's a blessing.

We plan on doing a lot in the community when we open. Right now, we're pretty busy...getting the restaurant to open.

Side Salad and an update: My last COVID dinner was March 14, 2020 at Tambo...moving forward, here's all that Tambo has accomplished since.

We have hired people from Chelsea to work on

our team through ROCA and other channels and work with Silvia [Lopez Chavez-mural artist] to beautify the city. We are excited to have the mural to bring people together in a safe space where they can enjoy great food, drinks, and artwork. Since opening, we organized a toy drive to help La Colaborativa and the children of Chelsea. We also volunteered our time and donated thousands of meals to Rescuing Leftover Cuisine, which were given to local families in need during peak COVID times. We cannot wait to take part in Chelsea Day 2021 and many more community events to come!

## Real Estate Transfers

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Briggs, Jacilyn	Arpin, Claire K	34 Tremont St #6	\$485,000
Bertoni, Margaret M	Mcelaney, Colin	214 Washington Ave #2	\$254,000
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RESTORE HAPPY HOURS?  
ARE THEY CRAZY?

There seems to be a move afoot to place a ballot question for the November, 2022, state election that would allow for the return of so-called Happy Hours (a/k/a, drink as much as you can, as fast as you can) to Massachusetts.

Happy Hours have been illegal in this state since 1984, after a young woman was killed in a Happy Hour-related drunk-driving accident. George R. McCarthy, the former mayor of Everett who back then was the chairman of the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, which sponsored the ban, said, ‘‘I’ve heard all the horror stories I’m going to listen to,’’ referring to the many fatal accidents at the time in which drivers and pedestrians tragically were killed as a result of excessive drinking at Happy Hours.

Those in support of restoring Happy Hours make two arguments. First, they say it will increase business for bars and restaurants, which need all the support they can get amidst a pandemic, and second, they point to the use of Uber and Lyft that will reduce drunk-driving incidents.

Neither argument is backed-up by any data and both lack common-sense.

We would like to make a number of points in response:

1) The majority of bar owners/restaurateurs reportedly are not in favor of restoring Happy Hours, which probably is why the Mass. Restaurant Assoc. has yet to take a position on the matter. Sales of alcoholic beverages are the main source of profit for most establishments -- so why would they want to discount them? Admittedly, there probably would be a few bars that would do so in an effort to increase business, but that only would create a race to the bottom, so to speak -- all establishments would feel the need to compete with the place down the street that is offering ‘‘all-you-can-drink for \$5.00’’ or \$1.00 pitchers of beer (which were typical of Happy Hours back in the 1980s). We are not aware of any study that shows how much, if at all, Happy Hours might add to an establishment’s bottom line.

Moreover, we can’t imagine that for any reputable establishment, the increase in business would outweigh the headaches of having to deal with the increase of inebriates on their premises, with the need to greatly-enhance their self-policing, and with absorbing higher insurance liability premiums.

But even if there might be some small financial benefit for some establishments, is it worth the cost to society for the inevitable increase in drunk driving, assaults, and other accidents that unquestionably will flow from a policy that encourages patrons to drink heavily and irresponsibly?

2) While it may be true that many people plan ahead to use Uber and Lyft -- typically for special occasions -- that does not mean that folks who decide to hit the Happy Hour at a nearby bar after work will do so on a regular basis.

The use of Uber and Lyft has not led to a decrease in drunk-driving deaths. In 1984, there were 411 drunk-driving fatalities in Mass., constituting about 62% of the total of all fatal auto crashes.

But by 2009 -- before Uber and Lyft were around -- drunk-driving fatalities in Mass. had plummeted precipitously to 130 and accounted for just 39% of all traffic-related deaths. The numbers have remained about the same both in Mass. (and nationally) for the past 12 years -- even with Uber and Lyft available. Our strict drunk-driving laws, including the ban on Happy Hours -- not the ride-sharing services -- are responsible for the sharp decline in drunk-driving deaths in Mass. over the past 37 years.

3) Proponents of lifting the ban point out that other states -- primarily in the South and West -- allow for Happy Hours. But what they don’t say is that the states with the 10 highest-rates of drunk driving fatalities per capita are -- take a wild guess! -- Montana, Wyoming, So. Carolina, Mississippi, New Mexico, South Dakota, Alabama, Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas.

Massachusetts ranks 4th LEAST in drunk-driving deaths per capita and by a wide margin. So why would we want to emulate those states -- don’t we want to continue to be safer (and smarter)?

4) Finally, beyond the issue of drunk-driving, we know so much more about the damage that alcohol wreaks both individually (to every organ in our bodies) and collectively (to our families and society), than we did in 1984. Alcohol has been labeled a Class 1 carcinogen and plays a huge role in domestic abuse, non-auto accidents, date rape, and other assaults (i.e., the proverbial bar-room brawls). Happy Hours encourage binge-drinking, which will exacerbate every one of these issues. Human nature and the devastating effects of alcohol abuse are the same today as they were in 1984.

To those young people for whom reinstating Happy Hours is a driving (no pun intended) force in their lives, we simply would say this: Please wait until you grow up. You’ll realize there is a lot more to life than getting hammered at a Happy Hour every week and endangering the safety of yourself and others.



GUEST OP-ED

What life seems to be

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Life is short. The best we can do, is the best we can do. If we are doing our best, then what more can we expect from ourselves and others? Most people are doing the best they can with the information and abilities they have.

There are some things we can change and some things we can’t. Learning to adjust or adapt with what we have and who we are often takes some time and effort. We are all born some place to someone. Some of us are raised with less than others and some of us are raised with more than others. Many have a lot to overcome to merely survive in life while others seem to have it easy.

Academics appear to come easier for some people while others have to study diligently just to make

a passing grade. Some are lucky in life while others don’t seem so lucky.

One of my dear friends is a multi-millionaire. He has a great house, wife and business galore. Over the last few years a young son was killed in a car wreck. A daughter was killed in a wreck and another died from natural causes. Many who don’t know the tragedies and heartache that he has experienced assume that his life is great and free from pain. I know he would trade everything he has to have his children back with him. He continues to get up in the morning. He is still involved in his business, cares for his wife and cherishes his one remaining daughter. However, life is not as it may seem to some.

Another dear friend has prospered with a large family and a successful business. His life looks

good until you get to know him better. One of his sons committed suicide in front of him a couple of years ago. Another son recently died in an accident. Within weeks of his son’s accident, a grandson was killed in a car wreck. His pain is great. He goes through the motions day by day trusting God with his life and remaining children. It is difficult to understand why his family has suffered so much in recent days. Tears flow when he begins to talk about what his family has suffered.

Life is not so easy to figure out. We think we have the answers and then later in life realize we don’t know much at all. We thought we had life all figured out when we were very young but throughout the years life throws things at us that we can’t possibly see coming.

Today, let’s all consider others. Be kind to our neighbors, acquaintances and people we meet along the way. A lot of people are hurting from disease, death, unemployment, life’s tragedies and more. Don’t judge people by their appearances or their mistakes. Life is not only filled with good, but often pain that most never see.

What life seems to be and what life actually is are rarely the same.

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Student Loans / Continued from page 2

of people, including both young adult and older residents, it disproportionately impacts low-income, Black, Latinx, Indigenous, Asian and Pacific Islander, and other communities of color; and

WHEREAS, The abolition of student debt also represents an incredible moral opportunity for Chelsea to support residents, address racial and gender wage gaps, and provide better overall health outcomes to the

general population since debt is associated with negative mental and physical health outcomes, like stress, depression, general health, obesity and mortality; and

WHEREAS, Canceling student debt is a policy that is strongly supported across the country, with President Biden having publicly expressed interest in some form of student debt cancellation; and

WHEREAS, Student debt cancellation is only

one step toward relief and a better higher education system, and examples locally and internationally show the need for elimination of full student loan debt and investment in and pathways toward programs to support higher education as a public good; and

WHEREAS, We have an obligation as the Chelsea School Committee to fight for justice in all spaces, particularly as it relates

to economic empowerment and education;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Chelsea School Committee calls for the Federal Government to commit to cancel all student debt and that President Biden enact a plan by the end of his first hundred days in office to cancel student debt and to begin the transition to education as a public good.

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TEMPLE EMMANUEL HOSTS OPEN HOUSE COOKOUT

Temple Emmanuel in Chelsea held an Open House Cookout Sunday in the Temple courtyard.

Temple President Sara Lee Callahan and Rabbi Oksana Chapman welcomed current members and prospective members to the cookout.

Guests enjoyed barbecued hot dogs, chicken, salads, and desserts.



Cindy Millman and Edythe Shuman.



Former Chelsea High School basketball star Larry Smith and his wife, Elaine Smith, enjoy the cookout at Temple Emmanuel Sunday.



Temple Emmanuel President Sara Lee Callahan presents a gift of appreciation to Esther Berkowitz in recognition of her efforts in making the cookout a big success.



Sharon Minkovitz and her husband, Carl Minkowitz.



Murray Novak, who owned and operated Novak Electric on Everett Avenue for many years, pictured with his wife, Dotty Novak.



George Higgins, Jean Higgins, Sandra Brown, and District 8 Councillor Calvin Brown.



Enjoying the cookout at Temple Emmanuel Sunday, (seated from left) Sharon Levine, Lisa Jacobson, and Miriam Mizrahi; (standing, from left) Sue Huberman, David Nitishin, Nancy Polonsky, and Ellen Goldstick.



Linda Dall, Molly Weisberg, Skip Doherty and Janice Doherty.



President Sara Lee Callahan, thank District 8 Councilor Calvin Brown and his wife, Sandra Brown, for generously sponsoring the dessert table for the cookout held in the courtyard.



Dawna Nogueira, Judy Orlandino, and Esther Berkowitz did a great job at the food-serving table.



Rabbi Oksana Chapman (left) thanks culinary operations staff Carole Turransky, Jim Howard, Carol Brown, and Ralph Turransky for their outstanding efforts in the kitchen.

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Officials and guests enjoyed barbecued hot dogs, chicken, salads, and desserts.

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Por la se de avisa de una reunion de la comunidad sobre un establecimiento de Marihuana. Estara programada para Fecha: Miércoles, September 16th, 2021 Lugar : Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, 02150 (3rd floor City Councilor Chamber) 6:00 P.M

El propuesto establecimiento de Marihuana sera localizada. 307 Broadway Chelsea MA, 02150 Habra oportunidad para el publico de preguntar preguntas.

Si tiene cualquier pregunta sobre esta reunion, oh comentarios sobre la propuesta porfavor de contactar

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Community Outreach Meeting for a Proposed Marijuana Establishment is scheduled for:

Date : Wednesday, September 16th, 2021 Place : Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, 02150 (3rd floor City Councilor Chamber) 6:00 P.M

The Proposed Marijuana Establishment is anticipated to be located at : 307 Broadway Chelsea MA, 02150 There will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions

For any questions about this meeting, or comments on the proposal feel free to contact Vladimir Samuel  
617-466-9480  
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CHELSEA ROTARY CLUB INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Chelsea Rotary Club held its Installation of Officers, Directors, and Awards Presentation Dinner at Anthony's Aug. 26 at Anthony's in Malden.

Dan Pranka, who began his association with Rotary in the Saugus Rotary Club, was installed as president of the 95-year-old local service organization.

Other officers installed were President-Elect Rick Gopen, Vice President Dr. Almi Abeyta, Treasurer Joseph Vinard, Secretary D. Mauch, and Sergeant-at-Arms Frank Kowalski.

Board of Directors in-

stalled were Allan Alpert, Susan Gallant, Madelyn Garcia, and Ken Webber.

Todd Taylor, who is the District 1 city councillor in Chelsea, delivered his outgoing presidential address. Taylor served admirably during a term that was greatly altered by the pandemic that forced the members to hold their meetings remotely.

Juan Gallego was honored as the Chelsea Rotary Club's Rotarian of the Year in recognition of the outstanding service projects that he has led during his years in the club.



Master of Ceremonies and Past President Allan Alpert congratulates Dan Pranka on his installation as the new President of the Chelsea Rotary Club in the Club's 95th year of existence.



Long-time Rotary Club members and friends, Rick Gordon and Barry Kirshon, pictured at the Installation of Officers Dinner at Anthony's in Malden.



Ledia Koco, a past recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Award recipient, takes a photo of award recipients Peter Zaksheski and Maureen Foley at the Chelsea Rotary Club Installation Dinner.



Rotary Secretary D. Bruce Mauch and Treasurer Joseph Vinard.



Maureen Foley, with Outgoing President Todd Taylor, and new President Dan Pranka at the Installation of Officers Dinner.



Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Supt. of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, who was installed as Chelsea Rotary Club Vice President, and District 1 Councillor Todd Taylor, who was honored as the Outgoing President of the Rotary Club.



Rotary Club Board of Directors, Sue Gallant, Madelyn Garcia, and Ken Webber.



Rotary Vice President Dr. Almy Abeyta and President-Elect Rick Gopen.



Long-time community leader and Rotary Club Sergeant-At-Arms Frank Kowalski and his wife, Pat Kowalski.



Enjoying the Rotary Club Installation of Officers are (seated) Maureen Foley, Ledia Koco, and Joe Panetta; (standing) Peter Zaksheski, State Rep. Dan Ryan, and Jamie Santos of Chelsea Community Cable Television, who broadcast the event.



Past Paul Harris Fellow Award recipients, Joseph Vinard, Peter Zaksheski, and Barry Kirshon.



Recipients of the prestigious Paul Harris Fellow Awards, David Mindlin and Maureen Foley.



Rotary Club Past President and Paul Harris Fellow Barry Kirshon and his wife, Darleen Kirshon.



D. Bruce Mauch delivers remarks after receiving his award for 37 years of perfect attendance at Rotary Club meetings.



Outgoing Rotary Club President Todd Taylor, with his wife, Regina Taylor, and their children, Alana Taylor, and Finn Taylor.



The newly installed President of the Chelsea Rotary Club, Dan Pranka, with the Saugus delegation in attendance (from left), Dave Fama, Rob Sipple, and Frank Gaffter.

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During the tour leading environmental activists shared the history of inequality in the area, but also pointed out the current partnerships and programming being done to benefit communities along the Chelsea Creek to British Consul General Peter Abbott.

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in Boston.”

COP26 will be the biggest summit ever hosted in the UK, with around 30,000 attendees expected. It’s been described by climate change experts as the most significant climate event since the 2015 Paris Agreement. That’s because COP26 is the first moment when countries must report back on their progress since the Paris Agreement and set out more ambitious goals for ending their contribution to climate change.

The state legislature recently passed a national-leading climate legislation known as the Next Generation Climate Roadmap bill. The bill overhauls the state’s climate laws, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, advances the clean energy industry, and prioritizes and protects environmental justice communities.

tice communities.

An amendment to the bill once and for all set criteria of what defines an environmental justice community based on race, income, and language-proficiency criteria. The amendment gives community members a much more meaningful role in the decision-making process about new projects that impact the environment and quality of life for thousands living here.

One key point of the amendment is something called cumulative impact rule. The cumulative impact rule must take into consideration environmental impacts new projects may have when weighted cumulatively with past projects that bear environmental burdens on Environmental Justice Communities like Chelsea.

# A new interactive and innovative mural by local artist Franz Israel installed in Chelsea

Staff Report

A new and innovative mural has been installed on Blossom and Carter St. Local artist, Franz Israel, designed and painted a mural of 50 feet long x 15 high: 8 large animal characters from the series “Animalia” are featured on black background with a scattering of white geometric figures. This arrangement creates a spaceship-like effect. Each character has a unique QR code that takes you to a unique custom morph animated video accompanied by a relaxing audio experience and some advocating for animals like Brutus (bullfighting awareness) or Sylvester (beast hunting advocacy).

The mural features



Franz Israel.

motion sensor lights for evening interactivity, and each piece is printed in reflective aluminum and fluorescent glow in the dark paint, creating a mesmerizing effect at night.

“I always wanted to bring the experience of an indoor art gallery to public spaces filled with interactivity and light effects, something that can be appreciated in daylight and

after sunset alike, and technology allows this now in a cost-efficient way. This is my first attempt to create such a New England weather-resistant and durable outdoor gallery, and I hope people will enjoy it for many years to come. I don’t have a formal education in the arts; my creative work is an intuitive and self-taught process. In my life, I’ve noticed that the most important decisions I make are based on intuition, and this piece of work reflects this instinct. I use mosaics in most of my work because I feel they are a juncture for drawing, painting, and sculpture. When you see the details of my work, you will see this series somehow represents a part of myself. The conceptualization of each series, selection of each character, and research to create the right composition of design elements is often the hardest part of the process. Everything after that is an assembly of a digitally rendered piece of art to be printed on different media; using Adobe Illustrator software, the total time for the development of each piece from start to finish can take 35 to 45 hours of work depending on the complexity of the piece. To create most of my . gifs, I use a photo morphing software to challenge, in some cases, disturb the visual impression of order.”

“The Chelsea Cultural Council is so pleased to see the finished work of



The Wall before and after shown in the daylight and night-time.

Franz Israel, said Marlene Jennings Council Chair. Mr. Israel brings a unique mural experience that includes both a visual and sensory component that also touches on animal advocacy.”

The Carter Street Mural project was made possible

through a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and funding from The City of Chelsea.

Learn more about Franz Israel and his process on [www.Franzisrael.com](http://www.Franzisrael.com), call 617.216.2737 or email [info@franzisrael.com](mailto:info@franzisrael.com) for further information.



British Consul General Peter Abbott tours Chelsea Creek with local environmental activists from Environmental Justice Communities.

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# Sports

## CHS ROUNDUP

### CHS FALL SPORTS START THIS WEEK

The 2021 fall sports season swings into gear this week with all of the Chelsea High sports teams engaging in their season-openers.

The Red Devil volleyball team, under the direction of head coach Gabriel Morales, got its season underway yesterday (Wednesday) with amatch against Greater Boston League foe Lynn Classical.

Morales and his crew, who played well in a 2-0 victory over Winthrop in a pre-season scrimmage last Tuesday, will hit the road for their next three matches at non-league foe Cambridge Rindge & Latin today (Thursday), at Somerville next Monday, and at Everett next Wednesday.

The girls who will comprise the 2021 edition of the CHS volleyball team are: Mayerly Avendano Gomez, Guidaysis Castro Santiago, Dhalia Christmas, Rileigh Connors, Ada Figueroa, Biviana Gonzalez, Amy Herrera Castillo, Jasmine Maradiaga Varela, Luis Medina Ramos, Joselinne Moran Palma, Christian Ortiz, Brandon Rodriguez Pereira, Alondra Rodriguez Rodriguez, and Bryan Vicente Galicia.

The Chelsea High girls soccer team, coached by

Randy Grajal, is gearing up for another exciting season led by a trio of captains, senior Lana Pineda, junior Rusby Santizo, and junior Katie Arias.

“The captains were chosen based on their commitment to the team and their hard work to improve their skills and the team overall,” noted Grajal. “The team has been working hard to prepare for our first game and we’re looking forward to kicking off our season.”

Grajal and his crew will play at GBL rival Lynn Classical today (Thurs-

day). They will host Somerville next Tuesday and Everett next Thursday at Chelsea Stadium.

Long-time CHS boys head coach Mick Milutinovic and his crew open their 2021 campaign today (Thursday) with a match against Lynn Classical at Chelsea Stadium.

Next week they will entertain Lynn English on Monday and travel to Somerville on Tuesday and make the short trek to Everett next Thursday.

Coach Sam Fogel’s CHS cross-country team was set to toe the starting line yesterday (Wednesday) at Somerville. They will host Everett on their home course at Admiral’s Hill next Wednesday.

The CHS football team opens its season tomorrow (Friday) evening at Salem. The kickoff at Bertram Field is set for 7:00.

### CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

The City of Chelsea and the Chelsea Public School District invite the community to the Veterans Memorial Stadium track and field Mondays through Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm during the fall season. At these times, runners and walkers can take advantage of the all-weather track, and families and friends wishing to play touch football or soccer may use the field. Please note that pets, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, roller skates, hoverboards, strollers, or athletic shoes with metal spikes are not permitted. No food, gum, or tobacco products are permitted. Only water is permissible. It is a time for residents to engage in healthy activities and enjoy this valuable park and open space without the need for a permit.

### MARTINS NAMED TO CLARK UNIVERSITY’S DEAN’S LIST

Rosa S. Brito Martins, of Chelse was named to second honors on the Clark University Dean’s List. This selection marks outstanding academic achievement during the Spring 2021 semester.

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

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### NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR PEOPLE’S MEMORIAL PROJECT

Chelsea Prospers, the city’s initiative for neighborhood vitality, is still accepting nominations for the People’s Memorial Project.

The top nominations will be featured in a temporary public art project on Thursday, Sept. 30 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Images of the selected individuals will be projected, hologram-like, standing atop the plinth that formerly held the statue of Christopher Columbus in Chelsea Square.

The intent of the project, and the nominations, is to generate a conversation about how memorials present one view of history and leave other stories untold, according to the Chelsea Prospers website.

The artist behind the project is Cedric “Vise 1” Douglas, the founder of the Street Memorials Project and Up Truck, a mobile creative art lab.

Douglas has a background in graffiti art, and has given talks about how he learned to use his background productively. He went to college at the Mass College of Art to study graphic art where he met a professor who taught him that design can be about creating a message to share with the world.

“The intent of this project is to create a glimpse into the future, by replacing an antiquated view of history with a vision of tomorrow where all people who have contributed to the growth and prosperity of the local community and the broader nation, are recognized and honored,” Douglas said.

From his first art project in college, Douglas’s art and projects have focused on raising social awareness in communities.

With the People’s Memorial Project in Chelsea, some of the topics up for discussion include who decides who gets memorialized, why has Christopher Columbus celebrated in so many neighborhoods, including Chelsea, and how do the memorials influence and reinforce a vision of what it means to be an American.

In downtown Chelsea Square, the monument dedicated to Christopher Columbus was taken down after a request spearheaded by Chelsea High School students. These students came together to denounce the memorial, on the basis that Columbus does not represent the city’s values and Latino community.

The People’s Memorial Project poses the question: What does it look like to bring those who have been excluded back into the conversation? What would it mean for Black, Latino and other people of color, the poor and other marginalized people to be recognized in our public square? The project opens an accessible, community-based conversation about civic monuments and their role in the community of Chelsea.

Nominations can be made on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/The-Peoples-Memorial-Project](https://www.facebook.com/The-Peoples-Memorial-Project), by text message at (872) 713-6153, by voice-mail at (617) 958-1760, or by email at [peoplesmemorialproject@gmail.com](mailto:peoplesmemorialproject@gmail.com).

### VETERANS FOOD DISTRIBUTION TO CONTINUE AT CHELSEA SENIOR CENTER

The City of Chelsea will host in-person food pantries for veterans at the Chelsea Senior Center beginning on Wednesday, Oct. 6.

### THE HOMEOWNER STABILIZATION PROGRAM (ROUND II) IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS

The Homeowner Stabilization Program (Round II) is currently accepting new applications, and will be doing so until all funds have been exhausted. This relief program can cover a variety of costs for homeowners including mort-

gage, tenant rent, utilities, property taxes, and homeowner insurance.

Applications can be submitted in-person at City Hall and online at <https://www.chelseama.gov/homeowner-stabilization-program>

### CHELSEA DAY RETURNS THIS SEPTEMBER

On Saturday, September 25, Chelsea Downtown will transform into a city-wide celebration for Chelsea Day. Join your fellow residents at this community event that will feature music, entertainment, a Bake-Off, Beer Garden (21+), and much more!

Support Chelsea’s local businesses by participating in Shop Chelsea, an exciting event that will culminate in a raffle for residents on Chelsea Day!

From Sept. 10-25, shop at any store, restaurant or establishment that gives receipts in Chelsea, and bring your receipt to the Chelsea Chamber to enter. There is NO limit on entries. Submit any receipt that you have from shopping in Chelsea during the two-week period to increase your chances of winning. Support the City’s local businesses, and bring the receipts to the Chelsea Chamber for your chance to win prizes at Chelsea Day! Winners will be announced on Saturday, Sept. 25th!

### FALL-WINTER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Mark your Calendar! Fall-Winter Program Registration begins Tuesday, September 14 at 4 pm. We’re excited to offer in-person, outdoor, and livestream classes. Soon more info at <https://recreation.chelseama.gov/>

### CHELSEA POETRY WALK

The first-ever Chelsea Poetry Walk is a showcase of expression in the downtown business district. Poetry written by Chelsea residents of all ages are out on display at numerous establishments for all to enjoy through September.

We hope you choose to take a walk!

### CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL RESUMES IN-PERSON MEETINGS ON SEPTEMBER 13

The Chelsea City Council announced its public meeting schedule from September through December. All meetings will be in-person at City Council Chambers in Chelsea City Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m.

You can watch the upcoming council meeting live via Chelsea Community Cable TV (Comcast Channel 22) or Facebook Live. You can also find recordings of past meetings on the Chelsea Community Cable TV YouTube Channel.

Any members of the public who wish to provide a communication to the Chelsea City Council must communicate via this online form: <https://www.chelseama.gov/Submit-a-Communication>. Name and address must

be included in order to be read during the meeting. Any communication needs to be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the scheduled meeting.

Interpretation Services in Spanish are available at every Council meeting.

Mask are required.

### GREAT NEWS ON COVID-19

At the end of August 30,217 Chelsea residents have been fully vaccinated — that’s 70.2% of all City residents.

Given the contagiousness of the Delta variant of COVID-19, as a preventative measure to keep our community and employees safe, the City re-instituted a mask mandate for all the public areas in City Hall, the Senior Center, and the Library on August 9. No employees or members of the general public will be allowed access to these municipal buildings without a mask or face covering the nose and face. Masks must be worn in all public areas of these buildings.

We also encourage anyone still unvaccinated to get vaccinated. The COVID-19 vaccines are free, safe, and the best way to protect yourself and your loved ones from COVID-19. Free vaccines are available every week-end at the Senior Center across from City Hall: Fri. 3-7; Sat/Sun 10-5; and Mon. 2-6.

Finally, given the infectious nature of the Delta variant for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals, anyone experiencing even mild symptoms, as well as anyone who has had close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, should get tested. There is free testing on the City Hall lawn on Broadway 7 days per week: Mon-Fri. 2-6, Sat/Sun 11-5.

COVID-19 vaccines will be offered at prominent events throughout Chelsea, including the Bosson Block Party (9/11),

the Multicultural Festival & Parade (9/18), Chelsea Day (9/25), and more!

Read more at <https://www.chelseama.gov/home/news/several-covid-19-mobile-vaccine-clinics-are-available-month>

### COMMUNITY PROJECTS

City’s ARPA Community Engagement Process

The City has received over 50 applications from residents and small business owners to join the Community Advisory Committee. The City will interview all the final candidates by mid-September.

Following a competitive procurement process, the City awarded a contract to Health Resources in Action to serve as a professional facilitator and logistical coordinator and manage upcoming activities.

The first Community Advisory Committee Meeting will be held the last week of September. The process should be completed by early 2022 with a Report from the Committee identifying priorities for the use of ARPA funds.



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Jay Voke

Well known as “Jay from Chelsea” on The Howie Carr Show

Jay Voke, a lifelong resident of Chelsea, passed away peacefully on September 1 at the age of 64.

Jay was educated in Chelsea schools and graduated from Dom Savio High School in East Boston in 1975. He was an avid Boston Sports fan and also a friend and follower of Howie Carr and The Howie Carr Show where he was well-known as “Jay from Chelsea.”

The loving son of the late John H. and Barbara A. (Murphy) Voke, he was the beloved brother of Ann M. Needle and her husband, Jeffrey of Stow and Ellen M. Morris of Methuen, brother-in-law of the late Robert A. Morris, devoted uncle to Nathan M. Needle of Malden, Kathryn “Katy” H. Needle and her husband, Zachary King of Coventry, RI and Elizabeth C. and John H.

Morris of Methuen and cherished nephew of Nancy Leonard of Malden.

The family would like to thank the Everett Rehabilitation and Nursing Center for the care provided Jay over the past few years. A special thank you to the doctors, nurses, and staff at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Blake 12 ICU for the extraordinary compassion and care given to Jay and his family in his final days. We will be forever thankful.

Burial services will be private. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Carafa Family Funeral Home. Donations in Jay’s name can be made to The Red Sox Foundation 4 Jersey Street Boston, MA 02215 or email [redsoxfoundation@redsox.com](mailto:redsoxfoundation@redsox.com), and also on-line at [www.redsoxfoundation.org/donate](http://www.redsoxfoundation.org/donate).

Louis F. DePrizio

May 11, 1949 — August 31, 2021

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Lou DePrizio, of Chelsea. He passed away after falling ill to a serious infection on Tuesday, August 31 surrounded by his family. He was 72 years of age.

Born and raised in Chelsea, a beloved son of the late Nicholas and Josephine (Olivero) DePrizio, he married Christine T. (May) in 1972 and shared the past 49 years with love and devotion raising their family of five and welcoming eleven adoring grandchildren.

A lifelong Chelsea resident, Lou gave back to the community with service as Chelsea Little League President and as a coach of Chelsea youth baseball for over two decades leading the Royals (Little League) and Yankees (Pony League) to multiple city championships, while positively helping to shape the lives of Chelsea’s youth. He also spent years as a coach with the Chelsea Youth Basketball League and Chelsea Pop-Warner Football.

Lou will be remembered for his kind heart, good nature, and desire to provide generously for all around him. Growing up Italian, food was a centerpiece of life and a way of showing love. He was an avid food-shopper at Market Basket Chelsea and loved to spend his time in the kitchen. On holidays he was known for cooking double the amount of needed food as it was “sinful” to run out of any dish a guest would want.

In the summer he spent peaceful time in Windsor, New Hampshire with family, grilling more meat than possibly needed, playing games, puzzling, keeping the fridge stocked with drinks and building a legacy that will be carried forward with pride by his children and future generations.

Grampy deeply loved his eleven grandkids and swelled with joy in having them play carelessly together and watching them grow as the next generation.

A lover of organization, efficiency, strategy and numbers, Lou spent his career from 1979 till 2010 across Cabot Corp, Distrigas and Suez Energy as Chief Dispatcher. His work provided him with the means to support

his family and fueled his humble generosity.

He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 49 years, Christine T. DePrizio, his son, Michael DePrizio and his wife, Kate and their children Sophia, Sadie, Will and Charlie; daughter Jenn DePrizio and her husband, Tom Fleming and their daughter Josie; daughter, Allison Frometa, her husband, Ramelfo their son RJ; daughter Jessica Cole, her husband, Levar and their children: Jonathan, Benjamin, Nicholas, Julia and Robert; and son Nick DePrizio; sisters: Rosalie Ferullo and Virginia Amara and her husband, Domenic; mother-in-law, Irene May; sister-in-law, Joyce Boudreau and her husband, Steve and sister-in-law, Mary Ellyn Webb and her husband David. He is also survived by numerous other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends, especially his lifelong friends Vinny Gargano and Dennis Tiro (who will now have to place three-team parlay bets without him.) In addition to his parents, Lou was predeceased by his father-in-law, Joseph May.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett

The family wishes to express a special thanks to the staff at Beth Israel Hospital for their care and compassion.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Louis DePrizio may be made to the Transplant Fund at Beth Israel Lahey Health by check made payable to “Beth Israel Lahey Health” with “Louis DePrizio/Transplant Fund” in the memo line. Contributions can be mailed to Beth Israel Lahey Health, Office of Philanthropy, 330 Brookline Ave (OV), Boston, MA 02215.

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

Marie Vecchia

Graduate of RHS, Class of 1941

Marie Y. (Del Vecchio) Vecchia of Revere, in her 97th year, passed away peacefully on September 6 at home surrounded by her loving family.

A graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1941, she was the beloved wife of the late Eugene F. Vecchia Sr. with whom she shared 57 years of marriage, loving mother of Gene and his wife, Tracy, devoted grandmother to Nicholas and his wife, Jennifer and Derek and his girlfriend, Sari; great grandmother of Lorenzo, Owen and her favorite canine, Blu and daughter of the late Euplio and Nicoletta (Fabiano) Del Vecchio. She was predeceased by her siblings: James Del Vecchio, Florence Reedy, Anthony Del Vecchio, Benjamin Del Vecchio, and Edith Silvestri and survived by her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Frank and Rose Vecchia and many nieces and nephews.



A visitation will be held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St, Revere on Friday, September 10 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. followed by a Prayer Service in the Funeral Home at 12 Noon. Relatives and friends are kindly invited.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Marie’s name to the Jeffrey and Susan Brudnick Center for Living, 240 Lynnfield St, Peabody, MA 01960.

Entombment Woodlawn Mausoleum, 302 Elm St, Everett. For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com)

Anthony ‘Tony’ Barletta Jr.

Of Revere

Anthony “Tony” Barletta, Jr. of Revere passed away on September 6 at the age of 90.

Born in Revere on October 10, 1930 to the late Anthony Barletta Sr. and Lena (Belmonte), he is survived by his longtime companion, Barbara Angelo of Saugus, dear brother of the late Carmine Barletta and his wife, Evelyn and the late Phillip Barletta and his wife, Frances, cherished uncle of Sandra Lee Newman and her late husband, Jack of and Trisha Romano and her husband, Robert, all of Revere; adored great uncle of Jacqueline and Danielle Newman, and Gennara and Nicholas Romano.

A visitation will be



held at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons-Bruno Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere today, Thursday, September 9 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony’s Church in Revere at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. For guest book please visit [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com).

96th Annual Italian Feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian this weekend

The 96th Annual Italian Feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian will be a great celebration of tradition, cultural pride and fun for the whole family this weekend (September 11 and 12) on Warren and Porter Streets in East Cambridge. The amazing entertainment lineup includes national recording artists that have become legends in the music industry.

This year’s Feast headliners are music icons Russell Thompkins, Jr. and The Stylistics and Jay Siegel and the Tokens. The fun begins on Saturday night with the Stylistics singing their hits, including “Betcha By Golly, Wow” and “You Make Me Feel Brand New”. Sunday’s main act will be the famous Jay Siegel and The Tokens. They will be entertaining the crowd with their mega #1 hit “The Lion Sleeps Tonight” as well as many of their other hits such as “Tonight I Fell In Love” and “Portrait of My Love”. This year’s entertainment schedule also includes performances by local favorites such as The World Premier Band, Smokin’ Joe and the Henchmen, SeaBreeze with Stephen Savio, and Italian crooner Gian Faralone.

As always, there will be a food festival, parades, amusement rides, “Monsters, Inc.” and “Star Wars” movie characters, carnival games, street performers, and live entertainment throughout the weekend. On Saturday night at 6:30pm the Saints will be brought out for the first time for a short procession through the neighborhood. At 7:00pm that same night there will also be a special feast blessing and remembrance for those who perished on 9/11.

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The Feast has food options for every taste as a “food festival” will be created on Warren Street. Come and try traditional feast fare such as sausages and peppers, zeppoles, steak tips, chicken parmesan, meatballs, eggplant, stove oven pizza, raviolis, calzones, lasagna, arancini, gnocci, tiramisu, mozzarella sticks, chicken fingers, french fries, cotton candy, fried dough, kettle popcorn, slush, steak & cheese, and everyone’s favorite – fried oreo cookies!


There will also be an Outdoor Feast Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter Uglietto on the Warren Street Stage at 10:30am on Sunday. At 1:00pm that same day, a feast highlight, the grand procession winds its way through the streets of East Cambridge and East Somerville with marching bands, floats, trolleys and the Saints. The parade will arrive back on Warren Street at 7:00pm for a large celebration and shower of confetti – don’t miss it! There will also be radio stations and family activities throughout this fun filled weekend, as well as Covid-19 vaccines by Cambridge Health Alliance. This is a great event for all ages. Play a game, watch a parade, try some great food, listen to music, go on a ride and have a great time! Feast hours are Saturday 1:00pm to 11:00pm, and Sunday 1:00pm to 10:00pm.

For more information call (617) 661-1164 or visit [www.cosmas-and-damian.org](http://www.cosmas-and-damian.org). See you at the Feast!



A scene from a previous Italian Feast.

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# Mystic Valley Elder Services Chief Executive Officer to retire in Dec. 2021

Staff Report

After 35 years of service, Daniel J. O’Leary, chief executive officer of Mystic Valley Elder Services, has announced his intent to retire at the end of the year.

“It has been a privilege and an honor to have worked at Mystic Valley Elder Services for the last 35 years,” says O’Leary. “I am thankful for the opportunities I have had to

work with an extraordinary team of people who make such a difference in the lives of our consumers. We live our mission every day at Mystic Valley Elder Services, providing older adults, adults living with disabilities and caregivers with quality choices so they can live with dignity and independence.”

O’Leary started with Mystic Valley Elder Services as assistant director in 1980. When the direc-

tor moved out of state in 1983, O’Leary was selected by the board of directors to lead the agency. In 1992, the Alzheimer’s Association of Massachusetts invited him to join them as their executive director. In January of 1998, the Mystic Valley Elder Services board of directors invited O’Leary to return to his roots to take the helm once again as executive director. While his title may have changed -



MVES CEO Daniel O’Leary.

executive director to chief executive officer as the organization grew under his leadership - his job has remained the same: stay

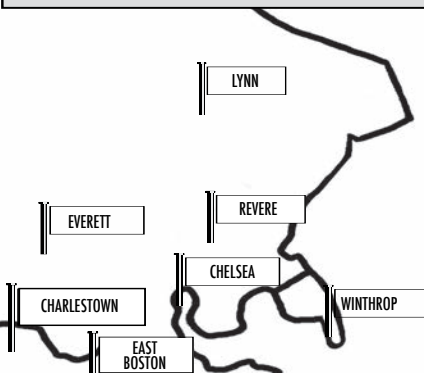
mission-focused, provide person-centered care to consumers in the best possible ways, help recruit and retain the very best staff and volunteers, be forward-thinking and act honorably and intelligently in keeping with Mystic Valley Elder Services’ culture and purpose.

Among his many accomplishments, O’Leary steered the agency from a \$12.6M budget in FY1998 to an \$80M budget in

FY22, with the board led the establishment of the Gap Endowment Fund that now exceeds \$6 million, developed and expanded the range of home care and community-based program options to include a wide array of services that go above and beyond the basic State Home Care program and successfully merged two elder care agencies in

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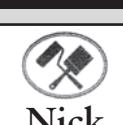
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# State health officials announce increased risk of WNV in Chelsea

Staff Report

Last week, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) announced two new human cases of West Nile virus (WNV) in the state this year. Both individuals are male, one in his 50s and the other in his 70s and both were exposed to WNV in Middlesex County.

DPH announced the first human case of WNV identified in Massachusetts this year was also likely exposed in Middle-

sex County. The Greater Boston area and several towns in Bristol and Worcester counties are already at moderate risk for WNV. There have been no deaths this year associated with WNV.

Based on the three human cases, recent increases in WNV findings in mosquitoes, and weather favorable for mosquito activity, the WNV risk level of an additional 38 communities is being raised from low to moderate. These communities are: Beverly, Danvers, Lynn,

Marblehead, Middleton, Nahant, Peabody, Salem, Saugus, Swampscott and Wenham in Essex County; Agawam, Chicopee, East Longmeadow, Longmeadow, Springfield and West Springfield in Hampden County; Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Carlisle, Lexington, Lincoln, Natick, North Reading, Reading, Sudbury, Wayland, Weston and Wilmington in Middlesex County; Dedham, Needham, and Wellesley in Norfolk County; Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop in

Suffolk County; and Grafton and Upton in Worcester County.

“These are the second and third human cases of West Nile virus infection in Massachusetts this year and we are seeing significant expansion of virus activity in mosquitoes,” said Acting Public Health Commissioner Margret Cooke. “Risk from West Nile virus will continue until the first hard frost. As we enjoy the unofficial last weekend of summer and then head back to school and work, it is important for people to remember to continue to take steps to avoid mosquito bites.”

In 2020, there were five human cases of WNV infection identified in Massachusetts. WNV is usually transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. While WNV can infect people of all ages, people over the age of 50 are at higher risk for severe disease. Most people infected with WNV will have no symptoms. When present, WNV symptoms tend to include fever and flu-like

illness. In rare cases, more severe illness can occur.

People have an important role to play in protecting themselves and their loved ones from illnesses caused by mosquitoes.

**Avoid Mosquito Bites**  
Apply Insect Repellent when Outdoors. Use a repellent with DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide), permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), oil of lemon eucalyptus [p-menthane 3, 8-diol (PMD)], or IR3535 according to the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under two months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30% or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under three years of age.

Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours. The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for many mosquitoes. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning.

Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito

Bites. Wear long-sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors to help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

**Protect Your Animals**  
Animal owners should reduce potential mosquito breeding sites on their property by eliminating standing water from containers such as buckets, tires, and wading pools – especially after heavy rains. Water troughs should be flushed out to reduce mosquito near paddock areas. Horse owners should keep horses in indoor stalls at night to reduce their risk of exposure to mosquitoes. Owners should also speak with their veterinarian about mosquito repellents approved for use in animals and vaccinations to prevent WNV and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). If an animal is diagnosed with WNV or EEE, owners are required to report to the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources’ (MDAR) Division of Animal Health by calling 617-626-1795 and to the DPH by calling 617-983-6800.

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2015. “It has been a pleasure to work with Dan and see the changes and growth he has brought to Mystic Valley Elder Services over the years, especially during times of enormous change and challenge,” says Janice Houghton, president of the board of directors for Mystic Valley Elder Services. “His leadership championed the impor-

ance of elder care within our communities and with our staff.”

O’Leary expressed his confidence in the board of directors and leadership team of Mystic Valley Elder Services and their thoughtful succession planning, further noting that the agency, staff, volunteers, and community are in excellent hands.

“Mystic Valley Elder

Services is now starting its next chapter as a vibrant and strong elder services agency delivering essential services to those in need within our communities. It is time for new leadership and for me to pass the baton to a new, highly-qualified chief executive officer,” concludes O’Leary.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE



**CITY OF CHELSEA**  
**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
Cherry Street Roadway & Sidewalk Improvements  
The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor and materials for “Cherry Street Roadway & Sidewalk Improvement Grant”. Invitation for Bids will be available on or after September 9, 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 “Cherry Street Roadway & Sidewalk Improvements” and submitted to the Purchasing Office, Room 204, no later than 1:00PM on Thursday, September 23, 2021. An optional pre-bid conference and site tour is scheduled for 3:00 PM Tuesday, September 14th, 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 approved by the City, all in the amount of 5% of the bid payable to the “City of Chelsea.” The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond. The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer. This Invitation for Bids is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30, 39M. Dragica Ivanis  
Chief Procurement Officer  
9/9/21

### LEGAL NOTICE

**MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**  
By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Aurora R. Hernandez to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated October 1, 2004 and registered at Suffolk County Registry District of the

Land Court as Document No. 689420 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 131142 (the “Mortgage”) of which mortgage Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-OP1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-OP1 is the present holder by Assignment from Sand Canyon Corporation f/k/a Option One Mortgage Corporation to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-OP1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-OP1 dated November 16, 2012 and registered as Document No. 812760 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 131142, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 330 Washington Avenue, Chelsea, MA 02150 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on September 21, 2021, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated on Washington Avenue, Chelsea, Suffolk County, Massachusetts. Said land is shown as Lot CC on a subdivision plan drawn by S. Albert Kaufman, Surveyor, dated October 8, 1946, as approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as Plan No. 21-13, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title No. 47688. For title, see Certificate No. 111855. **SOUTHEASTERLY:** by Washington Avenue, Forty-Four and 01/100 (44.01) feet; **SOUTHWESTERLY:** by Reynolds Avenue, Seventy-Two and 37/100 (72.37) feet; **NORTHWESTERLY:** by Lot EE, the running through a way as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned, Forty-Eight (48) feet; **NORTHEASTERLY:** by Lot DD, the line running in (art through a way as shown on said plan, Thirty-Eight and 29/100 (38.29) feet; and **SOUTHEASTERLY:** four (4) feet; and **NORTHEASTERLY:** thirty-five (35) feet by said Lot DD. For title see deed to the mortgagors recorded herewith. For mortgagor’s title see deed registered at Suffolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document Number 689419 and Noted

on Certificate of Title Number 121284. See also Certificate of Title No. 131124 and Suffolk County Probate for Luis Orlando Fernandez Hernandez SU18P1960EA. The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession. Terms of the Sale: Cashier’s or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee’s attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication. Other terms to be announced at the sale. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee for Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2005-OP1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-OP1 Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Hernandez, Estate Of Aurora R., 20-036634  
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Re: M. A. Limo Service, LLC, 67 Murray Street, Chelsea, MA  
Chelsea Licensing Commission  
Notice is hereby given that the Chelsea Licensing Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the City Council Chambers, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, to consider

a Limousine/Livery License application for Mohammed Aini d/b/a M. A. Limo Service at 67 Murray Street, Chelsea, MA 02150. Please be advised that you must notify all abutters, via Certified Return Receipt mail, of this hearing. **CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION**  
Naomi Libran  
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Request for Qualifications for Construction Management at Risk Services  
Mass. State Project No. DCP2136  
State Transportation Building & MITC – Renovation and Modernization, Boston & Chelsea, MA  
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through its Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance (DCAMM), requests that qualified and experienced firms submit a Statement of Qualification and required information to be received through DCAMM’s E-Bid Room at [www.bidexpress.com/businesses/10279/home](http://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/10279/home) no later than 2:00 PM, September 29, 2021. Firms interested in providing Public Construction Manager at Risk Services (“CM” or “CM at Risk”) for the State Transportation Building & Mass. Information Technology Center (MITC) – Renovation and Modernization, Boston & Chelsea, MA, are invited to submit a Statement of Qualifications (“SOQ”) to the Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance (“DCAMM”). This CM at Risk procurement is conducted pursuant to M.G.L. 149A, contained in Chapter 193 of the Acts of 2004. This Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) is the first phase of a two-phase procurement process as set forth in M.G.L. 149A. DCAMM is prequalifying firms interested in providing public CM at Risk services for the project through the RFQ process. DCAMM will evaluate submitted SOQs based upon the identified evaluation criteria as set forth in the RFQ and will select those respondents it deems qualified. Only those respondents deemed qualified will be invited to submit a proposal in response

to a detailed Request for Proposals (“RFP”), which will be issued in the second phase of the procurement process. The project delivery method for construction will be public CM at Risk with a Guaranteed Maximum Price (“GMP”) under M.G.L. 149A. In addition, firms interested in being prequalified must demonstrate that they have had prior experience as a Construction Manager on at least three CM-at-Risk projects and have completed at least one project of a similar cost, complexity, type and size as this project as it is described further below and in the RFQ. The prior CM-at-Risk projects must have been completed within the last ten (10) years. At the time a CM firm submits the Qualifications Statement, it must have a DCAMM Certification in the Contractor Category, “General Building Construction”, with a single limit greater than the Estimated Total Project cost of \$16,300,000. See [www.mass.gov/dcamm/certification](http://www.mass.gov/dcamm/certification) for certification forms and the required Update Form. This project will renovate and modernize interior office spaces at the State Transportation Building and the Massachusetts Information Technology Center (MITC). Work at the State Transportation Building includes infill of an interior stair, mechanical upgrades to the VAV system, reconfiguration of interior office partitions, and upgrading the finishes to approximately 63,000 usable square feet. Work at the MITC includes construction of a radio room and exterior radio antenna, building improvements to the main lobby/vestibule, reconfiguration of interior office partitions, and upgrading office finishes. The Request for Qualifications may be downloaded from <http://www.commbuys.com> or DCAMM’s E Bid Room at <https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/10279/home> on or after Wednesday, September 8, 2021. Instructions on the E-Bid Room processes can be found on DCAMM’s website [www.mass.gov/dcamm/bids](http://www.mass.gov/dcamm/bids) or contact DCAMM’s Bid Room at (617) 727-4003 or [bidroom.dcamm@mass.gov](mailto:bidroom.dcamm@mass.gov). Carol W. Gladstone  
Commissioner  
9/9/21

### LEGAL NOTICE

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
**THE TRIAL COURT**

**PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**  
**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**  
Docket No. SU21P17736D  
In the matter of: Sara Ramos  
**RESPONDENT**  
Alleged Incapacitated Person  
Of: Chelsea, MA  
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Sara Ramos of Norton, MA is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Juan Ramos of Norton, MA (or some other person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 09/30/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. **IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. **WITNESS**, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: August 25, 2021  
Felix D. Arroyo,

Register of Probate  
9/9/21

### LEGAL NOTICE



**CITY OF CHELSEA**  
**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
Second Street Pedestrian Improvements  
The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids for all labor and materials for “Second Street Pedestrian Improvements”. Invitation for Bids will be available on or after September 9, 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 “Second Street Pedestrian Improvements” and submitted to the Purchasing Office, Room 204, no later than 2:00PM on Thursday, September 23, 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 approved by the City, all in the amount of 5% of the bid payable to the “City of Chelsea.” The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any or all proposals and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond. The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer. This Invitation for Bids is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30, 39M. Dragica Ivanis  
Chief Procurement Officer  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**CITY OF CHELSEA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Department of Public Works will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 14, 2021

at 6pm at City Hall 3rd Floor at the chambers office.  
Proposed Work and Purpose: Petition of Verizon New England Inc. for the following petition: Second Street: Relocate one (1) JO pole, P.22/3 on the northerly side of Second Street to a point approximately 6’ north-westerly from its existing location. This petition is necessary to accommodate new construction. The public is invited to attend.  
Fidel Maltez  
COMMISSIONER  
9/2/21, 9/9/21

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**AVISO LEGAL CIUDAD DE CHELSEA**  
**DEPARTAMENTO DE OBRAS PUBLICAS**  
**AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PUBLICA**  
El Departamento de Obras Públicas llevará a cabo una audiencia pública el martes 14 de septiembre de 2021 a las 6 pm en el 3er piso del Ayuntamiento en la oficina chambers. Trabajo propuesto y propósito: Petición de Verizon New England Inc. para la siguiente petición: Segunda calle: Reubique un (1) poste JO, P.22 / 3 en el lado norte de Second Street a un punto aproximadamente 6 ‘al noroeste de su ubicación actual. Esta petición es necesaria para dar cabida a nuevas construcciones. Se invita al público a asistir.  
Fidel Maltez  
Comisionado de Obras Publicas  
9/2/21, 9/9/21

### LEGAL NOTICE



**CITY OF CHELSEA, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR WATER METERS, RADIO FREQUENCY MODULES, AND WEB PORTAL SERVICES**  
**CONTRACT 2022-81**  
The City of Chelsea (Owner) Department of Public Works herein solicits proposals for furnish of solid state water meters, radio frequency (RF) modules, and plumbing supplies; furnish and configuration of a hosted customer web portal integrated with the Owner’s existing advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) and customer information/billing system; and

annual support and maintenance services for AMI. RF modules shall be Sensus SmartPoint 510M and 520M and compatible with the Owner’s existing Flexnet AMI system, or the proposer may offer a competitive alternative including furnish, supply, configuration, and support of a new AMI system, whole and integrated, for all furnished devices. The contract shall be a three-year term, with years 2 and 3 dependent upon Owner appropriation of funds. The contract will procure approximately 1,000 water meters, 5/8-inch to 8-inch, and RF modules per year. The Owner seeks proposals only from vendors who 1) offer single-manufacturer water meters and RF modules 2) satisfy local reference requirements, 3) demonstrate local implementation and support resources, and 4) demonstrate product history of reliability and performance. Proposal submissions (as required in the proposal documents) will be received at Room 204, City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150 until 11:00 a.m. prevailing time, on September 28, 2021. Copies of the contract documents are available through the City of Chelsea Purchasing Department online at <http://www.chelseama.gov/purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations>. The Purchasing Department website requires prospective bidders enter their name, organization, address, telephone number, fax number, and email in order to secure contract document. Addendum will be published to furnished email addresses. The RFP documents will be available to prospective bidders starting on September 7, 2021. All material submitted by Proposers becomes the irrevocable and sole property of the Owner unless otherwise specified. The Owner shall be under no obligation to return any documents or material submitted by a Proposer, unless specified. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, to waive any technicalities, and to accept any proposal in the best interest of the Owner. All proposals for this project are subject to applicable laws of Massachusetts, including General Laws Chapter 30B, as amended. City of Chelsea, Massachusetts  
September 2021  
9/9/21



# District 8 Council candidate Maria Belen Power holds reception at Chelsea Station

By Cary Shuman

Maria Belen Power hosted a reception for her election campaign for the District 8 seat on the Chelsea City Council.

A huge crowd of supporters joined Maria Belen Power at the event held at Chelsea Station.

Following are Maria Belen Powers remarks at the reception:

Good evening! Welcome! Buenas noches!

Thank you everyone for coming!

I want to first acknowledge and thank my family: my husband Fidel, my daughters Maya Gabriela and Ana Victoria and my cousin Andrew.

Thank you to Mark and Mike and to the entire Chelsea Station staff for being amazing hosts this evening.

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Maria Belen Power. I was born and raised in Nicaragua and have been an activist and organizer my whole life. I came to the US for college and for the past 10 years I have organized right here in Chelsea.

In 2011, I started my career in Chelsea as a workers' rights organizer, and together, we won back millions of dollars of stolen wages for immigrant workers.

For the past 7 years I have dedicated my career to environmental and climate justice. In that work I have had the honor of getting to know residents from every corner of Chelsea.

I have advocated for our community at the local, state and federal level. Together we have achieved

significant victories that protect our public health, enhance our quality of life and give residents a voice.

I know from residents in District 8 that the issues I have organized and fought for, are the very same priorities of the district. Development without displacement, the climate crisis, public transit, public health... and so much more.

My husband and I first moved to Chelsea when Maya was 2 years old and five years ago we bought our first home. As soon as I started working here, I knew this was the place I wanted to live, work and raise my kids in. We love our community and its diversity. But we also know and have lived Chelsea's struggles.

During the pandemic, when Chelsea was one of the hardest hit cities in the nation by covid19, I responded to the call for help. I interpreted for the City Manager's weekly updates. I connected residents to much needed resources, and delivered groceries to seniors who were in isolation.

As we recover from this crisis, we must ensure Chelsea continues to receive the help and resource we deserve. I will continue to fight for our community, bringing our voice to the table and holding agencies accountable.

I am excited to run for city council and bring my lived experiences and expertise as your councillor for District 8. But I know I have an uphill battle as a woman, as a mother and as an immigrant. I need all your support because without you, I cannot win.

This event is just the be-



Maria Belen Power, candidate for the District 8 seat on the Chelsea City Council, prepares to deliver her remarks, accompanied by her daughter, Maya.



District 8 candidate Maria Belen with friends, Sofia Owen, Andrea Nyamekye, and Eugenia Gibbons, at her Aug. 25 reception at the Chelsea Station restaurant.



Maria Belen Power, candidate for District City Councillor, is pictured with the many supporters who attended her campaign reception at Chelsea Station restaurant on Everett Avenue.



Maria Belen Power (center) with supporters, from left, former councillor-at-large Roseann Bongiovanni, Tito Meza, District 3 Councillor Naomi Zabet, Alejandrina Rodriguez, and Richelle Cromwell.

ginning, and I will work hard every day for our District and the rest of our community. But this cam-

paign is not about me, it's about us and every single resident in Chelsea!

When we fight, we win!



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