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## Robinson disputes council clerk search process

By Adam Swift

The search for a new clerk to the City Council is underway, but Councilor-At-Large Leo Robinson continues to state that he believes the search process violates the city charter.

At the April 25 council meeting, longtime clerk Paul Casino submitted a letter announcing he was retiring at the end of the year.

A second communication from Council President Roy Avellaneda established a subcommittee to help select a new council clerk. In addition to Avellaneda, Councilors Judith Garcia and Calvin Brown serve on the subcommittee. Robinson challenged the ruling of the president to establish the subcommittee stating the subcommittee violated the city charter.

The challenge failed by a 5-5-1 vote, with Councilors Giovanni Recupero, Todd Taylor, Enio Lopez, and Damali Vidot supporting Robinson's challenge. District 8 Councilor Calvin Brown was absent.

Robinson has stated that the hiring process for the city council clerk violates Section 2-6 of the city charter under the subheading of City council staff.

The section reads in full, "The city council shall appoint a clerk to the city council and may employ such staff and retain such assistance as is nec-

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## ON THE DEFENSIVE



Chelsea pitcher Janeishelly Morales prepares to throw out a Revere batter after fielding a ground ball during a recent game against Revere. See page 8 for more photos

## Proposed city budget includes new positions

By Adam Swift

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is proposing a municipal budget just north of \$212 million for Fiscal Year 2023.

On the city side, the budget calls for 13 new positions, including four new police officers and a full-time election commissioner. The City Council will begin its discussion of the budget at its next subcommittee on conference meeting.

"The Budget funds City expenditures at \$94,108,013 and School Department expenditures at \$118,236,617, for a total budget of \$212,344,630," Ambrosino stated in a letter to the City Council. "The School Department Budget has increased by 8.97%, most of it paid from new Chapter 70 funding generated by the

Student Opportunity Act. The City expenditures have increased by 5.62%."

Most of the increases on the municipal side of the budget are reflected in the salary accounts, according to the city manager.

"This is due mainly to raises required in collective bargaining agreements and to the addition of new positions in the operating budget," stated Ambrosino. "These new positions, a total of thirteen, are intended to improve the delivery of services to residents and allow the City to increase internal capacity for handling new projects and programming likely to be implemented with ARPA funding."

The full list of the new positions includes a new floater position in the assessor's office, a technical project lead in the IT

department, the full-time elections commissioner, four new full-time police officers, a new housing inspector in the inspectional services department, a junior business manager for the DPW, two water and sewer junior operators for the DPW, a Health and Human Services Director, and a part-time assistant in veteran's services.

The elections commissioner will be solely responsible for election-related issues such as overseeing voter registration, coordination and training of election volunteers, compliance with state voting regulations, and other requirements.

"The person will also be available as general backup to other duties in the (city clerk's) office," stated Ambrosino. "Hav-

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## City Council approves pay raise

By Adam Swift

The City Council voted 8-2 to double the council salaries, from \$14,000 to \$28,000 on Monday night.

The salary increase, the first for the council in eight years, goes into effect when the next City Council takes office in 2024. District 1 Councilor Todd Taylor made the initial motion for the pay increase, stating it would be a way to get more qualified candidates interested in serving on the council.

During several subcommittee meetings over the past month, Taylor and other councilors have noted that the salary for the Chelsea council is far below that of surrounding communities.

Councilors Giovanni Recupero and Calvin Brown voted against the pay hike.

A motion by Recupero for a salary increase to \$20,000 with a yearly cost of living adjustment failed to pass muster with the full council.

"I believe that it is fair and just way to give a pay raise to ... the council that comes after us, but I believe it should be pretty adequate, \$20,000 plus an adjustment," said Recupero. "I believe it is fair to get yourself a \$6,000 raise plus a cost of living adjustment, instead of getting a big (raise) all at one time."

At \$20,000, Taylor said the salary would still be far below what other council's earn.

"I don't think it's enough to attract other people who might otherwise want to run for city council but could not afford it," Taylor said.

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## A Humble Hero ROCA honors Police Capt. David Batchelor with prestigious award

By Cary Shuman

Chelsea Police Capt. David Batchelor was the recipient of the James E. Mahoney Award at ROCA's Annual Breakfast that was held virtually on May 6.

ROCA Chief Executive Officer Molly Baldwin presented the prestigious award to Batchelor, who has served with distinction in the Chelsea Police Department for 36 years. The award was given in recognition of Capt. Batchelor's "leadership, humility, and commitment to systemic change on behalf of young

people."

Baldwin, whose organization is a nationally recognized model for bringing positive change to the lives of young adults, praised Batchelor as a "systems partner whose commitment to helping people stands out and brings change."

Baldwin told the ROCA Breakfast viewers, "You can read Dave's biography in the program, but what you won't get from it his absolute and genuine desire to help people. Nor will you understand his

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## García invited by President Biden to attend Cinco de Mayo reception at the White House

State representative candidate and sitting Chelsea City Councilor Judith García attended the White House's official Cinco de Mayo reception last week. The event was hosted by President Biden and First Lady Jill Biden, who invited García to their celebration along with an intimate group of Latino leaders, and diplomats, including Mexico's first lady Beatriz Gutiérrez Mueller de López Obrador.

In her speech, Dr. Jill Biden acknowledged the origins of the holiday as



Chelsea City Councilor Judith García at the White House with President Joe Biden and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden in the background.

a one-day battle during the Franco-Mexican War in which "a rag-tag group of soldiers, outnumbered 3 to 1" defeated Napoleon's army. "This holiday reminds us that the threads of our history and our heritage are woven together," she went on to say. She then recalled meeting a

group of Latino activists at the National LULAC Conference who told her that "they didn't often feel seen or heard," a statement that "touched her heart. Don't we owe them better?" she asked.

President Biden gave a progress report on issues that face the Latino

community in the United States — many of which are also high on Councilor García's agenda.

"Through the American Rescue Plan, our vaccination effort was centered on equity and ensured that Latinos were vaccinated at the same rate everyone else was. As a matter of fact, they're vaccinated at a slightly higher rate than everyone else was."

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ROCA Chief Executive Officer Molly Baldwin presents the James E. Mahoney Award to Chelsea Police Capt. David Batchelor at ROCA's Annual Breakfast that was held virtually on May 6.

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# ZBA continues hearing on lab building at Floramo’s site

By Adam Swift

The developers looking to build an 11-story research and development laboratory at 213 Everett Ave, the current site of Floramo’s Restaurant, were before the Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday night.

However, Doug Medvetz, one of the principles of the applicant group Verdylnt, asked for a continuance of the hearing until July when all members of the ZBA are present.

“We believe with the size of the project, we’d like to have a full board review of this so we are going to ask to continue this until July,” said Medvetz.

The proposal is before the ZBA seeking special permits and variances for the demolition of the existing one-story structure, the combination of three adjoining lots, and the construction of the proposed research building.

The special permits and variances are needed because the project does not meet the minimum requirements for lot area, rear and front yard setbacks, minimum aisle width, and the number of off-street parking spaces. The proposed building also exceeds the maximum number of stories and floor area ratio.

One the project comes before the ZBA, it will then move forward to the Planning Board for its recommendations before coming back to the ZBA for final approval.

Floramo’s restaurant, known for its “where the meat falls off the bone,” catchphrase, was founded in 1984 by Tommy and Pat Floramo. Today, the restaurant is operated by John Floramo.

In other business, the ZBA opened a public hearing for Concrete Garden, Inc. to renovate existing

first floor space and mezzanine tenant space for a proposed retail marijuana facility at 307 Broadway.

Plans for another retail marijuana facility at 320 Revere Beach Parkway were withdrawn without prejudice, but the attorney for the project said revised plans for a marijuana facility at the site will likely be resubmitted by the fall.

The ZBA also opened a public hearing on the expansion of a single-story commercial space at 157 Washington Ave. to add a second story to construct four small apartment units.

That project will go before the Planning Board later in May, and will be back before the ZBA in July.

Owners of an adjacent funeral home on Washington Ave. raised concerns about parking at the site, as well as a proposed roof deck that would overlook the funeral home property.

essential to conduct the business of the city council. The city council shall establish the compensation of such staff.”

Robinson has stated that the full council, according to the charter, should be hiring and appointing the clerk to the council.

Avellaneda has stated that the subcommittee will be assisting with the hiring and interviewing process, and submitting finalists to the full council, with the full council making the selection and appointment.

The first subcommittee meeting on the clerk selection was held on Monday, May 2.

“I stand by what I said about section 2.6, and feel it is a violation of the city charter,” said Robinson. “I will submit something asking for a legal opinion from the city solicitor because I feel as a councilor I shouldn’t have to go for an outside legal opinion.”

Robinson added that nowhere in the charter is there language allowing the council president to establish a subcommittee for

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the clerk hiring process.

“If we had a meeting of the full council allowing this and giving the president permission to set up a committee, that would be one thing, but that was not done and there was no input, he came up with the job description and selected the committee,” said Robinson.

Avellaneda said that following Robinson’s challenge, he gathered communications from the past three council presidents who established similar subcommittees for the city manager search process.

“One of those (letters) was from (Robinson), so it is ironic and ridiculous that he’s saying there aren’t the rules and powers to establish the subcommittee when he has done the same thing regarding the city manager,” said Avellaneda. “I have repeated to everyone that in no way, shape, or form is the subcommittee choosing the clerk.”

The initial meeting began to establish criteria for the position and job

description. Avellaneda said that discussion will continue at the next subcommittee meeting on Tuesday, May 17.

Following that, Avellaneda said the subcommittee will bring the job description to the full council for either approval or suggestions, with the intention of posting the position and getting the interview process underway.

Avellaneda said he was pleased Casino gave long notice for his retirement.

“This is not going to be an easy position to fill, it’s going to require someone with a unique set of skills,” he said.

As for Robinson’s continued challenge to the subcommittee, Avellaneda said it is partly in response to what he said is the longtime councilor’s waning influence on the council.

“This is his way of acting out,” said Avellaneda. “At the end of the day, he is burning his bridges on the council.”

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ing an additional full-time person in this office should improve performance for an office that is currently understaffed.”

The four new police officers will restore the uniformed force to its full contingent of 111 officers, according to Ambrosino.

The addition of a Health and Human Services Director will restore a position the city has not had since December of 2020.

“The City is able to absorb the increase in new personnel because of our very favorable financial position,” Ambrosino stated. “This year, for the first time in my tenure, the City will not propose any reserves to support the budget. The FY23 Budget is fully balanced with anticipated revenues.”

In his letter to the council, the city manager also noted that this year’s regional school district expenditure has increased by \$252,384.

“The line item now includes the first modest payment on the debt for the new Northeast Regional Vocational High School, a total debt service payment of \$343,374,” Ambrosino stated. “That debt service figure will rise gradually to approximately \$1.9 million annually starting in FY26.”

courage to try different things, his love of people, or his humor.

“We at ROCA have known Dave for 34 years,” continued Baldwin. “He’s always willing to help and jump into action with us. Most of all, he teaches us by example, about being a caring and kind human being and an extraordinary police officer.”

In officially making the presentation, Baldwin commented warmly, “Dave, the ROCA team appreciates you and loves you and honors you.”

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**He humbly accepts the recognition from ROCA**

David Batchelor was humble in accepting the award, just as he had been throughout his amazing three-sport career at Chelsea High School more than 40 years ago.

“I just want to thank Molly for that very kind introduction, for those kind words,” began Batchelor. “I want to thank all of the ROCA staff for all the work they do, helping young people in Chelsea and beyond.”

Batchelor recalled his first interactions with ROCA as a new police officer. “Very quickly, I realized that they were trying to do the same thing that we were trying to do – they were trying to help young people in the City of Chelsea and keep our community safe. Our relationship built from there. We have a relationship of trust and respect, and for 34 years since then, we’ve been working together to help young people in Chelsea.”

Batchelor spoke of the Chelsea Police Department’s cooperative effort with ROCA for the past seven years on The Chelsea Hub, “a group of 25 community and government agencies working together to help people at high risk before emergencies happen.”

“It [The Chelsea Hub] has been a great benefit to the City of Chelsea and those that are struggling from high risk,” said Batchelor. “That was something Molly brought to us, and it’s been very beneficial to Chelsea.”

In closing his remarks Batchelor thanked Police Chief Brian Kyes “for allowing me the opportunity to work with ROCA



ROCA Chief Executive Officer Molly Baldwin presents the Vichey Phoung Peace Award to Marina Roque of Chelsea.

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As for the proposed cost of living adjustments, Taylor said he believes the council should have the intestinal fortitude to go on the record and vote when it wants to raise its salary.

“On principle, I am not in favor of automatic pay raises,” said Taylor.

Councilor-At-Large Damali Vidot voiced her

support for Taylor’s original motion.

“We’ve had some pretty good discussions on this, and when I see folks and they find out what the salary is for city council, they are like, why do you put up with all of that?” Vidot said. “While it is technically a part-time job, the amount of hours you have

to be available ... you have to be available 24/7.”

Vidot said she believed the \$28,000 salary would create a more sustainable atmosphere for people who want to represent the community but otherwise wouldn’t be able to afford it because it is such a low salary.

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ROCA Chief Executive Officer Molly Baldwin presents the Vichey Phoung Peace Award to Jose Leal Cartegena of Chelsea.

over these years.”

“Everyone who knows Brian knows that he is certainly a very innovative chief and really understands the importance of building relationships between the Police Department and communities and treating everyone with dignity and respect,” said Batchelor.

“I also would like to thank all of the Chelsea police officers in the Chelsea Police Department. We have a great bunch of officers that on a daily basis that are out there in the streets, trying to help everybody in the community, working with ROCA and treating everybody with dignity and respect and knowing what their purpose as a police officer is, which is to help people,” concluded Batchelor.

**Chief Kyes offers his congratulations**

Chelsea Police Chief Brian Kyes congratulated his long-time, professional colleague on receiving the major award from ROCA.

“I am incredibly proud of my good friend Captain David Batchelor and the tireless work that he continues to do - day in and day out - in strengthening the relationships that we enjoy with our community members,” Kyes said.

“Dave is an incredibly humble man and tries his best to avoid the limelight and any resulting praise, but there is no one more deserving of this prestigious award from our valued community partner, ROCA, than Captain Batchelor.”



# Removal set to begin of highway debris pile

By Adam Swift

Removal of a large pile of construction debris containing asbestos at the Rte. 1 and Rte. 16 interchange should begin on Friday, according to City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

City officials were first made aware of the debris, which is close to Chelsea Housing Authority apartments, last week after an inquiry was made by a WBZ news reporter. The debris pile is from a MassDOT bridge project at the Lynn-Saugus line.

In an update to the City Council on Monday night, Ambrosino said that independent testing thus far near the pile and in housing authority apartments have come back negative and that there is no danger to the public.

Ambrosino also outlined the events of the past week, from when he was first made aware of the debris on Tuesday, May 2. He said he immediately reached out to the MassDOT, as well as state and local legislators, the attorney general’s office,

and MassDEP about the incident.

“It is hard for me to overstate how much I expressed to (the MassDOT) the city’s anger, disgust, and absolute moral outrage at dumping this type of material in an environmental justice community adjacent to a public housing authority complex,” said Ambrosino. “Leaving that aside, because at some point we will have further conversations with MassDOT about this and ensuring that it doesn’t happen again, my exclusive focus last week and right now is getting rid of this material. We demanded that MassDOT provide us with a written letter identifying what they had done, apologizing for their lack of communication to the city and for their conduct, and giving us an expedited schedule for removal of the material.”

On Friday, May 6, Ambrosino said the city received a schedule stating that MassDOT was immediately beginning the preliminary process

of preparing the materials for removal, with material beginning to be trucked away on Friday, May 13.

“Because this is asbestos contaminated material, it does have to be sent out of state to landfills, and that is a process that requires a lot of trucking,” said Ambrosino.

MassDOT estimated it would take about 30 days to remove all the material, according to Ambrosino.

The city’s independent licensed site professional (LSP) will be on site during that time monitoring the activity and performing soil and air quality testing, Ambrosino said.

“I will say that one piece of good news is that thus far, there isn’t any danger to public health to any of our residents or to anyone else,” said Ambrosino. “We will continue to test both at the Chelsea Housing Authority site and on the dumping site itself through the course of this removal activity, and we will report our findings from that independent LSP to the City Council.”

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Find pain relief, reduced stiffness, and a better quality of life through tai chi. Tai chi is often described as “meditation in motion,” harmonizing body and mind by practicing slow continuous movement accompanied by deep breathing. The class will cover the basic movements in Dr. Paul Lam’s CDC approved program. There’s growing evidence that this mind-body practice has value in treating or preventing many health problems. Our practice is gentle, requiring a small range of motion.

Registration is free, but required. To register, please call today as class size is limited: 781-438-1157.

CHELSEA RESEARCH FESTIVAL SET FOR FRIDAY

This event, the first of its kind in Chelsea, will feature groups of presenters who have conducted research about the City of Chelsea to discuss their findings, including Chelsea Public School Students! Topics include Chelsea history, housing, food security, the pandemic and more.

Members of the community are invited to stop by the Red Gymnasium in Chelsea High School anytime from 4:00-6:00 on May 13 to view the research posters and list of

presenters. Food, refreshments, games and more will be available!

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Este viernes 13 de mayo el festival de investigación de Chelsea organizará en la escuela superior de Chelsea.

Este evento, el primero de su tipo en Chelsea, contará con grupos de presentadores que han realizado investigaciones sobre la ciudad de Chelsea para discutir sus investigaciones, ¡incluidos los estudiantes de CPS! Los temas incluyen la historia de Chelsea, la vivienda, la seguridad alimentaria, la pandemia y más.

Los miembros de la comunidad están invitados a pasar por el gimnasio rojo en CHS en cualquier momento de 4:00 a 6:00 para ver los carteles de investigación y la lista de presentadores. ¡Comida, bebidas, juegos y más estarán disponibles!

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; transpor-

tation; 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. The project begins October 1, 2022 and end on September 30, 2023.

MVES is requesting Letters of Intent from organizations wishing to apply for funding to support individuals age 60 and older in MVES’ service 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 request
- Anticipated number of older adults the program expects to serve
- Cities and towns tLetters of Intent should be sent electronically to lreid@mv.es.org by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2022. They will be reviewed and prospective applicants will be notified no later than close of business on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 regarding their eligibility to complete the full application for Title III funding which will be due on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

If you have questions please contact Lauren Reid, MVES Director of Community Programs, atlreid@mv.es.org or 781-388-2382.

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Este patrocinio está abierto a todo niño o niña residentes de la ciudad de Chelsea, y que no han sido participantes de este campamento en el pasado.

Para aplicar, por favor envía una carta de una página al Club Rotario de Chelsea y explica el “por qué” el Club debería enviarte a este campamento este verano. Todas las cartas deberán ser enviadas por correo o personalmente a esta dirección:

**Chelsea Rotary Club c/o Susan E Gallant, 778 Broadway, Chelsea, MA 02150 antes del viernes 13 de Mayo de 2022.**

No olvides colocar tu nombre, dirección, edad y número de teléfono de tus padres. Todas las cartas serán leídas y revisadas por los socios del comité del Club Rotario de Chelsea, asimismo el comité notificará a todos los finalistas. El campamento empezará el domingo por la tarde y finalizará el día sábado por la mañana.

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# Chelsea

## RECORD

**PRESIDENT:** Stephen Quigley  
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### AN ILL WIND.....

The unrelenting easterly seabreeze that has been blowing at 20-30 miles per hour 24/7 for the past five days has reminded us that “spring” is an ephemeral term for those of us who live along the Massachusetts coast-line.

The temperature has refused to climb beyond 50 degrees -- thanks to a water temperature of 48 degrees in Boston Harbor -- and the strong on-shore wind has made it feel closer to 40 degrees with the wind-chill factored in.

As usual, temperatures a little bit to our west are 10 degrees warmer. But for us, winter coats, hats, hoodies, and gloves are still the norm for any outside activity, whether it’s walking along the beach or the Charles, or attending our children’s soccer or baseball games, or enjoying a lunch at Kelly’s on Revere Beach.

On the other hand, for those of us fortunate enough to be close to the ocean, the pounding surf on the shoreline with white caps extending to the horizon have created a seascape that is mesmerizing.

The smell, sight, and sound of the churning sea consumes our senses. It never grows old.

Still, our spring along the coast has followed the usual, frustrating pattern of, “One step forward, three steps back.”

Mother Nature is a tease at this time of year. For each day of warmth that she bestows upon us, we must endure four or five days of chill, as if she’s daring us to plant our summer vegetable garden under the threat of a frost or a wind gust that might snap the tender shoots.

We can’t help but think that it would be nice to reserve some of these sea-breezy days for mid-July and early-August when the water temperature will be warm enough for us to enjoy the churning surf.

But the bottom line is that, to paraphrase the Bill Belichick cliché, the spring season along our coast, “Ain’t what it ain’t.” It’s always a mere chimera that taunts us.

### WE ARE ALL UKRAINIANS

It is impossible to turn away from the news reports of the ongoing war in Ukraine that we see 24/7 on our televisions and computer screens.

To be honest, we’ve had it with all of the other recent political, economic, and COVID-related commentaries that run in an endless loop ad nauseam on the news.

We just tune them out.  
But when it comes to the heartbreaking, disturbing, and infuriating coverage of all aspects of the war in Ukraine, we feel almost duty-bound to watch in order to bear witness to the genocide that the sociopath in the Kremlin has wrought upon these poor people.

Yes, perhaps we can identify with what is happening in Ukraine because so much of what we see in their lives and the lives of their children mimics our own. Some of those Ukrainian suburban streets and playgrounds could be Anytown, USA.

The recent events in Ukraine have brought to mind the occasion when President John F. Kennedy spoke in front of the Berlin Wall in 1963 and concluded his speech with the famous and inspiring words, “Ich bin ein Berliner!” -- “I am a Berliner!”

Today, peace-loving people (who presumably are all of us) across the country and the globe feel the same way about Ukraine. Hopefully, we will have the fortitude to remain resolute in our support for Ukraine and its innocent people and be willing to accept some degree of sacrifice (such as higher prices) in our personal lives in order to thwart the genocidal maniac who is destroying their country and uprooting their lives.

To paraphrase what JFK might say today: “All free people, wherever they may live, are citizens of Ukraine.”

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# Forum

### GUEST OP-ED

## I am angry but determined to protect Roe

By Elizabeth Warren

Roe v. Wade has protected the right to a safe and legal abortion for nearly half a century. Over and over again, conservative Supreme Court nominees proclaimed Roe “settled law,” signaling to the American people that, on their watch, Roe would not be overturned. But now a draft opinion reveals that five justices believe this is their moment to strike down this “settled law,” permitting states to criminalize anyone who seeks an abortion, performs an abortion, helps someone find an abortion, or even has a miscarriage.

Yes, I’m angry. I’m angry at the justices who deliberately deceived the American people. I’m angry at the Republicans in Congress who stole two Supreme Court seats to get us to this day. And I’m angry at the cruelty of the anti-abortion politicians who will impose enormous pain, suffering, and possible death on people who have the fewest resources to fight back.

The minute Roe is officially gone, more than half the states in this country are poised to outlaw abortion or severely limit abortion access. If abortion is outlawed, the impact won’t fall equally on everyone. Wealthy women will still get safe, legal abortions by flying to another state or even travel-

ing to another country.

But the world will be very different for those who have the least power: low-income women, young women, women of color, victims of incest and abuse, moms already working two jobs to support their children. This far-right, extremist Supreme Court doesn’t care if Americans suffer; they are hellbent on imposing their views on all of us.

For me, this isn’t about politics; this is personal. I have lived in a world where abortion was illegal. I learned early on that when the law bans all abortions, only safe and legal abortions will be banned. I lived in a world in which women bled to death from back alley abortions. A world in which infections and other complications destroyed women’s futures. A world in which some women took their own lives rather than continuing with a pregnancy they could not bear. For decades, expanded access to abortion has allowed people to make decisions about their own bodies and lives, promoting equity and access to life-changing opportunities. But these extremist justices on the Supreme Court want to send us back to those dark days and take away women’s rights to control their own futures.

Changes in abortion laws will have dire conse-

quences. In Texas, a young woman was charged with murder for an alleged self-induced abortion. (The charges were later dropped.) In Oklahoma, a new law would force a 12-year-old survivor of rape to bear the child of her predator. In Louisiana, Republicans are pushing for the most extreme bill yet, which would classify abortion as a homicide and could even criminalize using certain forms of birth control. And Republican politicians won’t stop at criminalizing abortion. They have already signaled that a Republican-controlled Senate would pursue a nationwide ban on abortion care.

Let me be crystal clear: Republicans in Congress are planning to restrict abortion access and reproductive health care everywhere, endangering all Americans, whether they live in red, blue, or purple states. And it is equally clear that the Supreme Court is opening the door to banning birth control, outlawing marriage equality, and even making interracial marriage illegal.

American freedoms and the Constitution itself are under attack. The Republicans have planned long and hard for this day, and we can’t wait a second longer to fight back. We need action.

The Supreme Court does not get the last word. The American people—

through their leaders in Congress—can and must take action. Congress has the power to make Roe the law of the entire nation. The House has already passed legislation to shield abortion rights, and the Senate will take up the bill this week. We should debate that bill on the floor and then vote on it—because every American should know exactly where we stand and hold us accountable. But to get that vote and protect Roe, we must end the filibuster. This November, Americans will decide the future of Roe, and voters everywhere must bring their fury to the voting booth.

Yes, I’m angry that a group of unelected ideologues on the Supreme Court think they can turn current law upside down and dictate to tens of millions of people across this country the terms of their pregnancies and their lives.

I will use my anger to do everything I can to keep an extremist Supreme Court from having the last word on the right to a safe and legal abortion. In a democracy, that power is in the hands of the people. We need to use our anger to make real change. We’re not going back—never.

*Elizabeth Warren is the senior United States senator from Massachusetts.*

### GUEST OP-ED

## Naomi Judd, suicide and life’s appointment

and twenty million plus album sales. A new tour was planned for this Fall and the day after her death an induction ceremony was scheduled for the Country Music Hall of Fame. She apparently had it all. She had a long term 30-year marriage, successful daughters and fame and fortune. What more could a human being want? Apparently, something was still wrong.

Depression and mental illness apparently can become a hole so deep and

so dark that once someone is in it, they don’t feel they are emotionally able to survive or escape the darkness.

We have been shocked by other personalities who reportedly took their lives such as comedian Robin Williams and Anthony Bourdain who traveled the world tasting and showing various lifestyles and cuisines.

Mental illness comes in various forms and affects people in different ways and on different levels.

### LETTERS to the Editor

or take a class, practice a dance and share my life.

Stacy Amaral

### AIRPORT WORKERS NEED A STRONG VOICE

To the Editor,

The rise in labor organizing across the country, including here in the Bay State has highlighted the growing power of organized labor. The Labor Action Tracker maintained by students and faculty from the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University shows 248 locations, as of writing, where labor organizing activity is taking place. The pandemic has exposed the exploitation of working class folks and their value as humans who keep society running.

Airlines, like many industries, are experiencing understaffing issues in their operations. Delays and cancellations connected to crew understaffing

as a result of the pandemic and increased flights have taken a toll on airline crewmembers around the country, including those working at Logan. Many of these workers live minutes away in Chelsea, East Boston, and Revere. Airline crewmembers and other airport employees stationed at Logan are often forced to stay past their scheduled shifts in what is known in the industry as a “mandatory shift freeze or extension.”

These “shift extensions” are often put into place so frontline crew members, for example, can rebook and accommodate customers on canceled flights or during irregular operations. Employee morale is low as a result, and that is compounded by their already low pay, particularly to workers without the protection of a labor union. Airport workers need a strong voice from

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# MBTA Seeks Rider Input on Bus Routes + Service Proposals

On May 16, the MBTA's **Bus Network Redesign (BNRD)** team will release its newly drafted system-wide bus network map and is seeking public feedback online and through a series of public events that will take place in May, June, and July.

BNRD is an initiative of the MBTA's Better Bus Project launched in 2018 to make a series of improvements to bus service across the system. The initiative will make major changes to bus routes by creating more all-day service, more high frequency service, and new connections in communities like Chelsea, whose residents rely heavily on public transit.

## ● Research

Since 2018 the BNRD team has collected and analyzed rider feedback and travel patterns in the region in an effort to build on previous Better Bus Project service improvements including:

- Dedicated bus lanes serving routes 111, 112, 116, and 117
- Accessibility upgrades
- Route changes
- Added Service

## ○ Rider Outreach

During the last year, the T implemented many ways to get input from residents of Chelsea and other communities, including an online survey, focus groups with riders, and virtual public meetings.

## ✓ Plans in Progress

The analysis helped the Bus Network Redesign team to determine the most important changes to include in the plan, some of which are:

- More high-frequency bus routes
- Increased midday, evening, and weekend service
- Better access to popular destinations
- New routes (slated for 2023)

To view the draft bus network map and learn how you can participate in the public review process, visit [MBTA.com/BNRD](https://www.mbta.com/BNRD)



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The Boston Foundation is seizing this moment to forge a new pathway—one that places equity, justice and opportunity at the heart of everything we do. We are leaning into our role as a civic leader to work with all those who toil, every

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***Our New Pathway* responds to the ongoing surge in activism spurred by COVID-19, the economic devastation caused by the pandemic, and the all-too-public exposure of systemic and structural racism, which intersects with every other class, economic, gender and ethnic form of injustice.**

day, to create a more equitable Boston. We invite you to join us. Follow our research, engage in our conversations, participate in our advocacy—all with the goal of making Boston a leader in the long-overdue and urgent drive toward equity.



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**Una invitación** a Fundación Boston aprovecha este momento para forjar un nuevo camino que se centre en la equidad, la justicia y la oportunidad. Estamos ejerciendo un nuevo rol como líder cívico para trabajar con todos aquellos que se esfuerzan día a día para crear una Boston más justa. Lo

**Estamos motivados por una nueva era de activismo en Boston, además de un grupo de líderes diversos e inspiradores que nos demuestran que los problemas, que alguna vez se consideraron demasiado políticos, costosos y complejos de resolver, se pueden abordar.**



***Our New Pathway* responde al surgimiento continuo del activismo impulsado por la COVID-19, la devastación económica que causó y la exposición pública al racismo sistemático y estructural, que se conjuga con todas las demás formas de injusticia de clase, económica, de género y étnica.**

invitamos a acompañarnos. Siga nuestra investigación, participe en nuestras conversaciones, participe en nuestra defensa para convertir a Boston en líder del objetivo urgente y pendiente de igualdad.



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# Sports

## CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL IN SOFTBALL ACTION AGAINST REVERE

PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

The Red Devils battled Revere in Greater Boston League softball action Monday at Carter Park.



**IN POSITION:** Third baseman Ariana Canelas fields a throw but it's late as Revere's (3) slides in with a stolen base.



**SURE HANDS:** Second baseman Ada Figueroa fields a ground ball.



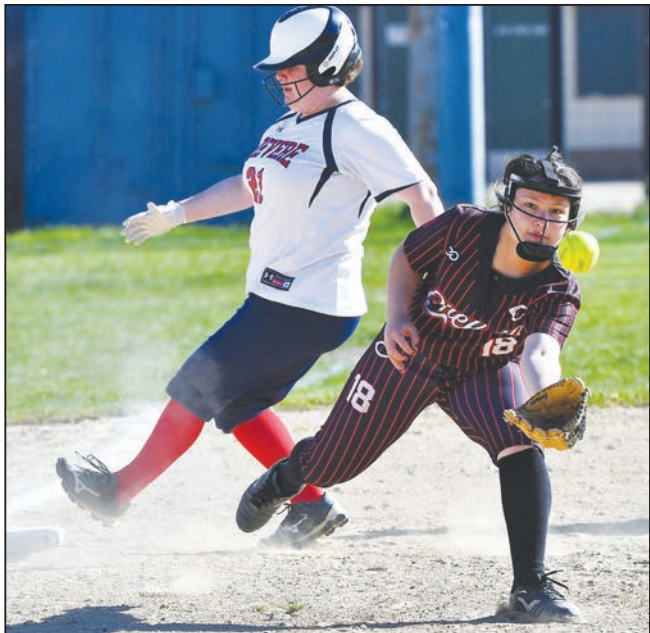
**NOT MY PITCH:** Hellen Turcios Funez peaks at a pitch that she let pass for a ball.



**MAKING THE PLAY:** Ariel Rodriguez scoops a ground ball and makes the play at first base for a Revere out.



**CRASH COURSE:** Chelsea's Ariana Canelas and Revere's Leah Doucette collide on a play at first base. Canelas was ruled out for runner interference.



**GET THE OUT:** Third baseman Ariana Canelas fields a ground ball as a Revere runner advances to third base.



**FOLLOW DIRECTIONS:** Janeishelly Morales rounds third base as coach Gena Restiano points toward home.



**NOT THIS TIME:** Chelsea shortstop Yareliz Gonzalez Falcon (19) and second baseman Ada Figueroa realize that there will be no throw to second as a Revere runner arrives with a stolen base.

### CHS ROUNDUP

#### CHS TRACKSTERS DO WELL AT INVATIONALS

Although the scheduled meet for the Chelsea High girls and boys outdoor track and field teams with Malden was postponed from last week to today (Thursday) for a tri-meet with Revere, a contingent of coach Cesar Hernandez's crew competed in invitational meets over the weekend.

At the MSTCA's Lou Tozzi Freshman/Sophomore Meet, Lady Red Devil Gizelle Rodriguez medaled in the javelin. Gizelle's throw of 85'-0" earned her a sixth place medal.

At the Greater New Bedford Sunset Invitational, Rodriguez won a fifth place medal in the 400 dash with a clocking of 64.17 seconds.

For the CHS boys, Emmanuel Simon won a fourth-place medal in the triple jump with a final landing of 39'-0.25".

Ali Warsame also came home with a fourth-place medal in the 400 dash with a clocking of 54.28.

Jeffrey Ponce placed seventh in the shot-put with a throw of 41'-3.25" and Gary Giron placed ninth in the 100 high hurdles with a time of 18.89.

After the tri-meet today (Thursday) with Greater Boston League (GBL) foes Revere and Malden at Chelsea Stadium, the next meet for the Red Devils is scheduled for next Thursday (May 19) with Medford.

That will conclude Chelsea's 2022 dual meet season. The All-GBL Meet is scheduled for Thursday, May 26.

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OBITUARIES

Dennis A. Petrosino

February 7, 1945 – May 5, 2022

Dennis A. Petrosino, 77, a longtime resident of Everett and formerly of Chelsea, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 5 while receiving palliative care at the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers.

Born and raised in Chelsea, a beloved son of the late Pasquale and Pearl (Szymczak) Petrosino, Dennis attended local schools and was a graduate of Chelsea High School.

As a young man, he worked alongside his father as a longshoreman and was a member of the Boston ILA. He also worked for many years as a warehouseman for various produce companies. Dennis has been enjoying his retirement for the past 25 years.

He was the beloved life partner and loving companion of Nancy Carroll for 22 years.

In his lifetime he enjoyed playing golf with his brothers and was a member of the Winthrop Golf Club. He is remembered as a voracious reader and



was a fan of the writings of James Mason.

He is survived by his beloved Nancy Carroll and he was the dear brother of Patrick Petrosino and his wife, Linda, Richard Petrosino, and the late Alphonse “Sonny” Petrosino, survived by his wife, Peggy Petrosino. He is also survived by his children, several nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Services were held on Tuesday, May 10 at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea. For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit: [www.WelshFH.com](http://www.WelshFH.com).



Theodore “Sonny” Kupczyewski, Jr.

Vietnam War Veteran and Purple Heart recipient

Theodore W. “Sonny” Kupczyewski, Jr. passed away on Wednesday, May 4 while at the Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital in Bedford. He was 75 years old.

Born and raised in Chelsea, a beloved son of the late Theodore Kupczyewski, the late Mary (Flammia) Delorey and George Delorey, Sonny grew up in Chelsea and was a graduate of Chelsea High School. He enlisted in the US Army in 1966 and served with combat forces in Vietnam. Following wounds received in action, he was honorably discharged in 1968. He was awarded a Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars for his heroism and he returned to civilian life in Chelsea.

A 100% Disabled Veteran, he still went on to work in the building construction and demolition fields as a heavy equipment operator. He retired from this field 25 years ago.

He was a lifelong resident of Chelsea, a life member of the Disabled American Veterans and a former member of the Beachmont VFW and the Chelsea Irish Club.

Throughout his life, he remained a Big-Kid at heart and enjoyed watching football and episodes of Star Trek.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his longtime and loving companion of 40 years,



Karen (Hanson) Gallenski in 2019. He was the devoted father of Mark J. Kupczyewski of Revere and East Boston, a most loyal friend of Mark Lee of Malden, beloved stepdad of Carrie Leone and the late Jodi Gallenski and step-granddad of Samantha Salvage, John Leone and Nicholas Leone and dear brother-in-love of Maureen Brewster of Princeton. He is also survived by his cherished canine fur baby, Precious whom he always called “Pooch!”.

Graveside services and military honors were held for Sonny at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett on Monday. Should friends desire, contributions in Sonny’s name may be made to New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans, 17 Court St., Boston, MA 02108 <https://nechv.org/donations/online-giving/>

Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Welsh Funeral Home.

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



Goldberg announces Interim Chairman for the Cannabis Control Commission

State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg announced that Sarah G. Kim was sworn in as Interim Chairman for the Cannabis Control Commission (Commission). Ms. Kim replaces Steven J. Hoffman who submitted his resignation as Chair in April after serving for several years to establish a successful new industry in Massachusetts. Ms. Kim is tasked with leading the Commission as the Treasurer continues the search process for a permanent Chairman.

“Sarah has extensive leadership experience and knowledge about the standards, goals, and operations of the Commission, as well as perspective on necessary steps as we progress in the implementation of good policies in Massachusetts,” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “We are proud to appoint her as the Interim Chair, and strongly support her efforts in this new role.”

“I am grateful to the Treasurer for entrusting me with this opportunity to be the Interim Chair of the Cannabis Control Commission until a new Chair is appointed, and I look forward to working with agency staff, stake-

holders, and commissioners to continue the important work of growing a successful, safe, and equitable industry in Massachusetts,” said Sarah G. Kim, Interim Chairman of the Cannabis Control Commission.

Ms. Kim has worked for the Office of the Massachusetts State Treasurer & Receiver General since 2015 and currently serves as a Deputy Treasurer and General Counsel. As a Deputy Treasurer, Ms. Kim has general oversight of the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, and as General Counsel, she manages the team that provides support to the Treasury and its affiliated agencies on various legal issues, including open meetings, ethics, public records, and campaign finance laws. Ms. Kim also advises senior staff on strategic policy, procurement, employment, and litigation issues. She coled the Treasury’s initial efforts to implement the provisions of the ballot initiative that decriminalized the adult use of recreational marijuana.

Before joining Treasury, Ms. Kim was an Assistant Attorney General in the Fraud and Financial Crimes Division under

Attorney General Martha Coakley. Prior to that, she was a litigation attorney for ten years. Ms. Kim currently serves in leadership positions for several philanthropic organizations. She is a graduate of the Villanova University School of Law and Dartmouth College.

Headquartered in Worcester, the Commission was established in 2017 to foster the creation of a safely regulated industry to effectively implement and administer the laws enabling access to medical and adult-use marijuana in the Commonwealth. Leadership for the Commission includes five commissioners and an executive leadership team. A 25-person Cannabis Advisory Board composed of ex officio members and appointments by the Treasurer, Governor, and Attorney General also studies and makes recommendations to the Commission regarding the regulation and taxation of marijuana in Massachusetts in accordance with state law.

“I am excited to welcome Sarah Kim to the Cannabis Control Commission,” said Shawn Collins, Executive Director of the Commission. “Hav-



Sarah G. Kim.

ing previously worked alongside Sarah, I know she will instantly hit the ground running and add tremendous talent to our dynamic team. I’m grateful to Treasurer Goldberg for appointing such a skilled public servant.”

The Office of the Massachusetts Treasurer and Receiver General is currently accepting applications for Chair of the Cannabis Commission for appointment by Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. The position requires experience in corporate management, finance, or securities. Completed applications in PDF form must be submitted via email to [HR@tre.state.ma.us](mailto:HR@tre.state.ma.us) and received by June 4, 2022. Applications are available online at [www.masstreasury.org](http://www.masstreasury.org).

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worse puts us in a state of desperation to escape the outcome sooner rather than later.

There is more to depression than snapping our fingers to get out of it as proven by Judd. She openly talked about her illness. She wrote a book about it and reportedly had spent years medically dealing with her diseases. Severe mental illness can end sadly end tragically.

Reviewing her life, it seems there would be a counter argument for everything we are supposed to do. Get help. Take med-

ication. Have a good doctor and a good counselor. Talk about the disease. Find meaningful things to do. Have hobbies. Stay busy. Pursue life. Be involved in meaningful relationships, have faith in God, etc. Judd appeared to do all of this and more.

Does this mean we have no hope if we have mental illness? We always have hope but we must be very aware of the seriousness of depression. Our mental state is serious and can be terminal.

Keep in mind that people successfully deal with

mental illness every day. It does not have to be the end. People seek counsel, medical help, faith in God and find coping solutions to dealing with depression and mental illness. Mental illness does not have to end badly.

Try to think of those left behind. Try to think about the spouse, the children and the loved ones who are left to go on. I have known people who were so physically sick that I understood their pain and desire to escape their bodies. Try to keep in mind that God made us and we

all have an appointment with death. We don’t have to push the appointment. It’s coming to us all. Try to find a way to find purpose and peace with the brief life God has given to you. It will end soon enough.

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both Beacon Hill and a labor union to stand up on their behalf and elected representatives from the three mentioned communities play a critical role in addressing worker injustices happening at Logan and holding Massport accountable.

The rights of organized labor and union activity at our nation’s airports have never recovered from the late President Ronald Reagan’s termination of strik-

ing air traffic control employees and the breaking of their union in 1981. In the post-9/11 era, picketing and other organizing activity at terminals is even harder, requiring permits from Massport. The power of the labor movement in the aviation industry has been relatively anemic for years, but that is starting to change with heightened activity from SEIU 32BJ, the Transportation Workers Union,

the Association of Flight Attendants, and Boston’s Local 26. The pandemic has created a new push for organized labor throughout the service industries.

Starbucks workers in multiple locations around the country have been organizing and, in many cases, have voted in favor of unionization, including two stores located on Commonwealth Avenue and Harvard Street. The vote of Amazon workers

on Staten Island to form a union is another example of the impact organized labor is having on the country and how workers are finally standing up and fighting back against workplace exploitation.

**Karl Celis**  
**Lifelong Chelsea resident, airport worker, graduate social work student at Boston University**

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# Massport, elected officials, tourism partners celebrate the return of cruising in Boston

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport), local elected officials and leaders of the state and region tourism bureaus celebrated the start of the 2022 Cruise Season in Boston, the first full season in two years. The return of cruising to Flynn Cruiseport Boston supports the tourism recovery for the City of Boston and the Commonwealth, generating \$135.5 million in annual economic impact and supports 2,200 jobs. The facility was renamed Flynn Cruiseport Boston in 2017 in honor of former Mayor of Boston and United States Ambassador to the Vatican Ray Flynn.

Massport will welcome 125 ships from 19 cruise lines supporting the local travel and tourism industries. The season includes established routes to Bermuda and Canada/ New England, as well as new ships and itineraries as the cruise lines look to attract new audiences to cruising. The Cruiseport will welcome 12 maiden calls, and for the first time, will have four cruise lines offering five homeport ships and voyages:

- Norwegian Cruise Line: Norwegian Pearl starts April 4th
  - Holland America: Zaandam starts May 15 and Nieuw Statendam starts August 3
  - Celebrity Cruises: Celebrity Summit starts August 31
  - Royal Caribbean International: Voyager of the Seas starts September 18
- “Cruising plays an important role in the visitor economy and we are delighted to welcome



**Pictured (L to R back row) Captain Kaloyan Nedyalkov, Norwegian Pearl, MOTT Executive Director Keiko Matsudo Orrall, State Representative David Biele, City Councilor Michael Flaherty, and City Council President Ed Flynn. L to R front row GBCVB President and CEO Martha Sheridan, ACD Vice President George McEvoy, Massport CEO Lisa Wieland, Congressman Stephen F. Lynch, Massport Acting Port Director Joe Morris, and Lauren Gleason Massport Deputy Port Director.**

our cruise partners back to Boston to support the recovery of travel and tourism for the city and the Commonwealth,” said Massport CEO Lisa Wieland.

Congressman Stephen F. Lynch, who represents the MA 8th Congressional District including South Boston, was honored with this year’s Maritime Champion award. Congressman Lynch, a former iron worker was part of crew that installed the cranes at Conley Terminal more than 30 years ago. Congressman Lynch has been a steadfast partner to the working port and Massport, helping the Authority secure federal funding for the Boston Harbor Dredging project, which benefits all ships navigating Boston Harbor and allows the port to re-

main competitive. Congressman Lynch has also supported major improvements at Conley Terminal, enhancements at Flynn Cruiseport Boston, and the growth of seafood processing in South Boston.

“It’s an honor to receive Massport’s second Maritime Champion award,” said U.S. Rep. Stephen F. Lynch. “Both my grandfathers worked in the Port of Boston, so when I ended up working at Conley Terminal, it seemed like a family tradition. Over the years, I’ve witnessed firsthand Massport’s efforts to make the Port of Boston more efficient and more attractive to new businesses. And it has been a pleasure for me to work with Lisa Wieland—she has been a maritime champion in her own right. I am grateful

for this award, and I look forward to continuing to work on behalf of our longshoremen, fishermen, shipfitters, masters, mates, and pilots, and all the import/export businesses that rely upon Massport and the Port of Boston.”

Flynn Cruiseport Boston served a record 402,346 passengers on 138 ships in 2019. Generating more than \$130 million and supporting more than 2,000 jobs annually, cruising supports hundreds of businesses large and small throughout the region, from transportation providers and restaurants, to tourist attractions, airlines and hotels, souvenir shops, and provisioning companies that supply the ship. In regard to shore excursions, cruise lines have traditionally focused on main tourist

attractions, giving Boston high passenger reviews. More recently, cruise line shore excursion teams are looking to expand their offerings to include more culturally-diverse experiences and destinations, unique and curated attractions, and opportunities to welcome demographics of all ages from Millennials to baby boomers.

“The economic impact of cruising is critical to the overall vitality of the visitor economy,” said Martha Sheridan, President and CEO of the Greater Boston Convention and Visitors Bureau. “The influx of cruise passengers and the injection of their spending during the summer months - and also through our shoulder seasons - creates a consistent flow of visitors that our destination depends on. This market segment was sorely missed during the pandemic and we are thrilled to see cruising return to Boston!”

Boston is well-known in the cruise industry for having one of the best airport-to-cruiseport proximities in the U.S. The Cruiseport will serve several new itineraries that either start or end in Boston throughout the 2022 season. In October, Celebrity Summit is offering a 12-day one-way cruise from Boston to the Caribbean and ending in Miami, FL. Vantage Cruise Line’s Ocean Explorer will depart Boston on Oct 29th for a 10-day cruise along the East Coast and ending in Nassau, Bahamas. Royal Caribbean’s Voyager of the Seas is offering a 14-day “Arctic Crossing”

cruise that starts in Copenhagen, Denmark and ends in Boston on September 18th.

“The revitalized, expansive cruise ship season will have a viable economic impact on tourism destinations all across the Commonwealth, as intrepid travelers stepping off in Boston realize what cultural, culinary and scenic treasures await them here in the Bay State,” said Executive Director Keiko Matsudo Orrall of the Massachusetts Office of Travel & Tourism. “Flynn Cruiseport is fast becoming a gateway for new visitor adventures in Massachusetts and New England.”

“Every time a ship visits Boston as a port of call, the passengers and crew are supporting local businesses and jobs,” said State Senator Nick Collins. “The Flynn Cruiseport is more than just a stop or a starting point for a cruise – it is an economic engine that provides significant employment opportunities for the people of South Boston and beyond.”

For the full cruise schedule and additional information, visit [FlynnCruiseportBoston.com](https://FlynnCruiseportBoston.com) and follow @FlynnCruiseport on Twitter.

The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) owns and operates Boston Logan International Airport, public terminals in the Port of Boston, Hanscom Field and Worcester Regional Airport. For more information, please visit [www.massport.com](https://www.massport.com).

# NFPA offers safe grilling tips and recommendations to help reduce fires and injury

Often considered the unofficial kick-off to summer, Memorial Day weekend typically includes lots of celebrations and cookouts, often with grilling as a focal point. As the holiday, and summer months, grow closer, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reminds everyone of basic safety tips to grill and celebrate safely.

Fire departments responded to an average of 10,600 home fires annually involving grills, hibachis, or barbecues according to NFPA’s research from 2014-2018. This includes 4,900 structure fires and 5,700 outside or unclassified fires. These fires resulted in an annual average of 10 civilian deaths, 160 civilian injuries,

and \$149 million in direct property damage.

The peak months for grilling fires are July (18 percent), June (15 percent), May (13 percent), and August (12 percent), though grill fires occur year-round. Leading causes of grill fires include failing to clean the grill, the heat source being located too close to combustible materials, leaving equipment unattended, and leaks or breaks in the grill or fuel source.

“As grilling season approaches, it is important to review basic safety tips especially if the grill hasn’t been used over the winter,” said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. “Establishing a firesafe location for using your grill

is also crucial, to make sure it is a safe distance from your home and other items that can burn.”

A yearly average of 19,700 patients per year went to emergency rooms because of injuries involving grills. Nearly half (9,500 or 48 percent) of the injuries were thermal burns, including both burns from fire and from contact with hot objects; 5,200 thermal burns per year were caused by such contact or other non-fire events.

Children under five accounted for an average of 2,000, or 39 percent, of the contact-type burns per year. These burns typically occurred when someone, often a child, bumped into, touched, or fell on the grill, grill part, or hot

coals.

NFPA offers these tips and recommendations for enjoying a fire-safe grilling season:

- For propane grills, check the gas tank for leaks before use in the months ahead. (Watch NFPA’s video on how to check for leaks.)
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Place the grill well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grilling area.
- If you use starter fluid

when charcoal grilling, only use charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. When you have or are finished grilling, let the coals cool completely before disposing in a metal container.

- Never leave your grill unattended when in use.

For this release and other announcements about NFPA initiatives, research and more, please visit the NFPA press room.

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**BRUINS** *Beat* by Bob Morello

Bruins season at a crossroad

Tuesday’s Game 5 playoff game was a 5-1 loss versus the Carolina Hurricanes, and had the Bruins reverting back to their game of inconsistency. For as much as the positive efforts they were able to produced in Game 3 and Game 4, they had a show of just as many negative efforts in Game 5. Talk about puck luck, opportunities, discipline, and inconsistencies, and Boston was at the top of the list with the negatives, and at the bottom with the positives. It was a game that many thought possibly held high hopes for Boston, following the locals’ strong performance in their two recent home games. It was thought that there was a good possibility for that momentum to carry over...but for the Bruins it was not to be.

Boston came out with high energy to start the game, putting up at least a half dozen scoring chances quickly, only to have a soft goal get by Jeremy Swayman at 6:11 of the first period, to again give the Hurricanes the early lead and control. While not a stellar performance by Swayman, All the blame was not his fault as the team’s poor play in front of him caused several Carolina opportunities. When pressed for an answer on who would be starting in goal for Thursday night’s Game 6 on Garden ice, Cassidy answered with the



supportive, “Certainly not going to put this on Jeremy, we’ll decide, we’ll regroup and make that call tomorrow or Thursday. I’m comfortable with his game.” Definitely a tough decision for Cassidy, especially when Swayman has yet to play four games in a row in his brief NHL career.

Shouldn’t really be surprising that the Canes were able to score the first goal, as they’ve been able to accomplish that feat in all five games of this series thus far. Adding to that dilemma is the Hurricanes have been able to score five goals against the Bs in all three of their home games in this playoff series (5-1, 5-2, 5-1). In a series where the home team has won each game thus far, the task at hand for the Bruins is they’ll need to post a win at home tonight (Thursday 7:00pm), just to stay alive, and then break the home team win streak pattern with a victory at Carolina’s PNC Arena, in Game 7 if necessary on Saturday. Knowing that the Bruins will be trying to post a victory in that build-

ing for the first time since 2020, makes the possibility even harder to envision. Coach Cassidy offered up the hopeful scenario via, “So far it’s been a homer series, and we’d like to continue that for now. The Garden’s been good to us this series. The guys need to be motivated to play. If we don’t play well it’s over. That’s it, that’s all.”

The benefit of the last change for the home team was a major plus, as was evident in Game 5 as the Bruins’ top line of Brad Marchand-Patrice Bergeron-David Pastrnak had mega problems with their matchup against Carolina’s trio of Nino Niederreiter-Jordan Staal-Jesper Fast, the entire game. That was just one of the many problems facing Boston offense. There was a bevy of shortcomings for the Bruins in Game 5, aside of the no-show effort, they lacked discipline at times, and most of the game they were unable to penetrate and maintain much time in the Caroline zone. Add to that the athletic play of Canes goalie Anti Raanta while making 34 saves, and it all added up to a disappointing result. Bottom line for Boston – it will all come down to how bad they want this series, and how much effort and energy they are willing to expend in order to move on to the second round!

State Senate passes driver’s license bill

The Massachusetts State Senate passed the Work and Family Mobility Act by a vote of 32 to 8. The following statement may be credited to the leaders of the organizations co-chairing the Driving Families Forward Coalition, Brazilian Worker Center Executive Director Lenita Reason and 32BJ SEIU Vice President Roxana Rivera:

“We are once again overcome with happiness, pride and gratitude for today’s historic vote in the Massachusetts Senate. The legislature has now resoundingly supported the Work and Family Mobility Act, moving all state residents toward greater road safety, improved security, better public health and a more vibrant economy,

and promising a profound transformation in the lives of undocumented immigrants across the Commonwealth. The pursuit of these many goals is what brought us together in Driving Families Forward, a broad and diverse coalition of more than 270 businesses, faith groups, labor unions, community organizations and others. Working with law enforcement and other experts, Driving Families Forward also built in safeguards that led to the bill’s endorsement by the Massachusetts Major Cities Chiefs of Police Association, whose members lead two-thirds of the state’s total police force, as well as a majority of the state’s District Attorneys and sheriffs, and dozens of individ-

ual chiefs in smaller towns and cities.

“We extend our deepest thanks to Senate President Spilka for her support in moving the bill forward. We also thank the bill’s four lead sponsors, its dozens of cosponsors and the many thousands of individuals who have written letters, made calls, and attended meetings to help bring us to this point.

We now urge Governor Baker to sign the bill which provides all the safeguards necessary to answer any doubts he may has raised previously, and we look forward to then celebrating with him and all our allies as the Work and Family Mobility Act becomes law.”

LOCAL STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

STEPHANIE HERNANDEZ ALVARADO INDUCTED INTO THE HONOR SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI

Stephanie Hernandez Alvarado of Chelsea was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Hernandez Alvarado was initiated at Salem State University.

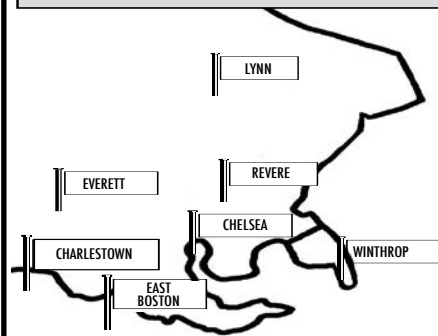
Hernandez Alvarado is among approximately

25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

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# State Treasurer’s Veterans’ Bonus Division extends eligibility period

The State Treasurer’s Veterans’ Bonus Division announced that the eligibility period for the Massachusetts COVID-19 Bonus for National Guard members has been extended past its initial end date of June 15, 2021. National Guard members activated for additional deployments at any point after March 10, 2020 are eligible to receive a subse-

quent bonus.

“When we launched the COVID-19 Bonus in April 2020, our goal was to thank Massachusetts National Guard members for their service during a time of great uncertainty,” said State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg. “By extending the eligibility period, we are able to support our servicemem-

bers as the pandemic has required their continuing commitment, efforts and focus.”

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Treasurer Goldberg and

the Veterans’ Bonus Division created the Massachusetts COVID-19 Bonus for National Guard members in 2020. National Guard members are eligible to receive a \$500 bonus for their first-time activation and a \$250 subsequent bonus for any additional activations.

National Guard members can follow this link to apply for a first-time or subsequent bonus: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-massachusetts-covid-19-bonus-for-mass-national-guard>

In addition to the bonus extension, the Veterans’ Bonus Division has partnered with Unite Us, a national social and health networking platform, to streamline its inquiry system and connect veterans to local veteran-serving organizations.

“Partnering with Unite Us allows us to track inquiries better and respond to veterans quickly,” said Steven Croteau, Veterans’

Bonus Program Manager. “With the platform’s robust network of veteran-serving organizations, our team is able to better serve our veterans by connecting them to the groups and resources that they need.”

Veterans, service members, or their families can inquire about any of the bonuses offered by the Veterans’ Bonus Division by following this link: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/veterans-bonus-inquiry>

Through its program, the Veterans’ Bonus Division serve Veterans of the Commonwealth and their families by providing financial assistance when eligible. The Veterans’ Bonus Division distributes bonuses for eligible active duty, discharged, and deceased Massachusetts Veterans who served during various conflicts in single or multiple deployments.

## LEGAL NOTICE



**CHELSEA CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

In accordance with the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, the Chelsea Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing Thursday, May 19, 2022, 6:00 PM, via Zoom video conference, to review the Notice of Intent submitted by Patrick Martin, Interpark LLC for removal of the existing 1’X20’ Mooring Dolphin #2, including dismantling and demolition of concrete deck and support piles, at 111 Eastern Avenue. All interested parties wishing to provide a public comment or to join the meeting must communicate with John DePriest at [jdepriest@chelseama.gov](mailto: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. A copy of the Notice is available for review in the Department of Permitting and Land Use Planning, Rm 106, City Hall, during City Hall business hours. Per Order Stephen Sarikas Chair

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## LEGAL NOTICE



**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Case No. 2022-08

In accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A, a public hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held at City Hall, Council Chambers, 500 Broadway Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m. with reference to the application of: Concrete Garden Inc for Major Site Plan Review to establish a recreational marijuana dispensary at 307 Broadway All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Plans and copies of the application and petition may be viewed at the office of the City Clerk, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, during City Hall business hours.

## LEGAL NOTICE



**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Case No. 2022-10

In accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A, a public hearing of the Chelsea Planning Board will be held at City Hall, Council Chambers, 500 Broadway Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 6:00 p.m. with reference to the application of: Verdnyt – Doug Medvetz for Major Site Plan Review to construct an 11-story research and development laboratory building at 213 Everett Avenue All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Plans and copies of the application and petition may be viewed at the office of the City Clerk, Chelsea City Hall, 500

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Date of Death: 09/28/2021

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Patricia A. Swarms of Somerville, MA A will has been admitted to informal probate. Patricia A. Swarms of Somerville, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

## LEGAL NOTICE

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT**  
Suffolk Probate And Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Docket No. SU22P0313EA  
Estate of: Marion M. Donovan  
Date of Death: 07/15/2021

To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Karen C Speziale of Saugus, 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: Karen C. Speziale of Saugus, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on

the bond in unsupervised administration. **IMPORTANT NOTICE** You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/31/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)** A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. **WITNESS**, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: May 03, 2022  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

## LEGAL NOTICE



**NOTICE OF AWARD**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Chelsea will hold a public meeting at 500 Broadway Room 102, Chelsea, MA on Monday, May 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to award an Energy Management Services contract under M.G.L. Chapter 25A, §11i and 225 CMR 19.00 to Ameresco, Inc. for the Request of Qualifications #2022-47 titled “Clean Energy Systems and Energy Services Chelsea Microgrid Project”. The scope of work under the Request for Qualifications includes the implementation of Energy Conservation Measures, installation of Solar PV and Battery Energy Storage Systems at the Chelsea Police Department, Chelsea City Hall, 911/Emergency Management Building, and Janus Highland Apartments located on 27 Gerrish Avenue, Chelsea MA. Dragica Iwanis, Chief Procurement Officer

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**FAMILY COURT**  
Suffolk Division  
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Docket No. SU22P0331EA  
Estate of: Stefania Krawczyk  
Date of Death: 12/09/2013

To all interested persons: A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by Rozena Renik of Chelsea, 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: Rozena Renik of Chelsea, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in unsupervised administration. **IMPORTANT NOTICE** You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/31/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Date: May 03, 2022  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS**  
May 9th, 2022  
City of Chelsea, c/o Department of Housing & Community Development  
City Hall  
500 Broadway, Room 101  
Chelsea, MA 02150  
617-466-4180  
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS: On or about

05/24/2022, the City of Chelsea Department of Housing & Community Development will submit a request to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to release Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds (Mini-Entitlement Program FY2021) under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) as amended to undertake three projects part of the FY2021 City of Chelsea Mini-Entitlement Community Development Block Grant, consisting of: Shawmut St. and Chester Ave. Streetscape Enhancements in the Shurtleff-Bellingham Neighborhood (Census Tract 1602.01, 1602.02, 1601.01, 1601.02) and the Chelsea Housing Rehabilitation Program. On Shawmut St. and Chester Ave., the City proposes replacing deteriorated sidewalks, installing wheelchair ramps, planting street trees, and repaving substandard asphalt pavement. The project will utilize approximately \$340,000 of CDBG funds. The Chelsea Housing Rehabilitation Program proposes to use approximately \$70,000 of CDBG funds to make loans to eligible property owners of one- to four-unit residential properties for housing rehabilitation and to make needed repairs. The program is designed to address violations of the Massachusetts State Sanitary Code, and may also include asbestos abatement and de-leading activities or lead paint abatement, alone or combined with other work, and to remedy other building code violations or complete related building improvements including, but not limited to, plumbing and electric system repairs, heating system repairs or improvements, weatherization, roofing and accessibility modifications. The program is estimated to serve approximately two (2) housing units in the CDBG target areas (Census Tracts 1601, 1602, and 1605 including the Shurtleff/Bellingham, Addison/Orange and Mill Hill neighborhoods). The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Department of Housing & Community Development Office, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Room 101, Chelsea, MA and may be examined or copied Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Due to COVID-19, persons interested in viewing the files are encouraged to call ahead at 617-466-4180 to make an appointment. **PUBLIC COMMENT** Any individual, group

or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Chelsea Department of Housing & Community Development. Comments may be submitted to 500 Broadway, Room 101, Chelsea, MA 02150 or via email to [atrain@chelseama.gov](mailto:atrain@chelseama.gov). All comments received by May 23, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. will be considered by the City of Chelsea prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. **RELEASE OF FUNDS** The City of Chelsea certified to DHCD that John DePriest, Director of Permitting & Land Use Planning, in his capacity as Environmental Certifying Officer for the City of Chelsea, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DHCD’s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Chelsea to use Program funds. **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS** DHCD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Chelsea’s certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Chelsea; (b) the City of Chelsea has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DHCD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development at 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300, Boston MA 02114. Potential objectors should contact DHCD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. John DePriest  
Environmental Certifying Officer

05/12/2022

## LEGAL NOTICE

**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 Valerie Sutherland to Mortgage Electronic Reg-

istration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, dated November 26, 2003 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 33392, Page 35 (the “Mortgage”) of which mortgage HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2004-A, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-A is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2004-A, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-A dated May 7, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 49648, Page 85, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 250 Congress Avenue, Unit No. 38, of the Willow Park Condominiums, Chelsea, MA 02150 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on May 23, 2022, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The Unit described as #38 in the Willow Park Condominium, City of Chelsea, County of Suffolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, created by Master Deed dated February 25, 1987, and recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 13436, Page 318, as the same may be amended from time to time, in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 183A. This UNIT contains the AREA of 1,558 Square feet and is laid out as shown on the plans recorded with said Master Deed and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided for in M.G.L. Chapter 183A. Section 9, and a plan recorded with the first deed to this UNIT. The UNIT is conveyed together with the PERCENTAGE INTEREST of 2.128% (a) in the common areas and facilities of the Condominium, as described in the Master Deed, as amended, and (b) in the Willow Park Condominium Trust, recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 13437 Page 001. The UNIT is to be used only for residential purposes and uses accessory thereto permitted from time to time as stated in the Master Deed and in the zoning code of the City of Chelsea, and the common areas and facilities shall not be used for any purpose inconsistent therewith and those premises shall be used for no other purpose, except as maybe expressly permitted by the trustees in accordance with the provisions of the Willow Park Condominium Trust. GRANTEE acquires the UNIT with the benefit of, and subject to the provisions of M.G.L. c.

183A, relating to condominiums, as that statute is written as of the date hereof, the Master Deed and Condominium Trust referred to above and any by-laws and rules and regulations from time to time adopted thereunder, and to all matters of record stated or referred to in the Master Deed as completely as if each were fully set forth herein, and subject to real estate taxes attributable to the UNIT which are not yet due and payable. The Unit is further subject to easements, conditions, restrictions and obligations of record insofar as the same are now in force and effect and subject to the terms, conditions and restrictions set forth in Unit Deed dated April 27, 1988 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 14648, Page 314. GRANTEE also acquires with said UNIT as easement for exclusive use of parking spaces number 31 shown on the site plan referred to in Section 4 of the Master Deeds. GRANTEE acquires said exclusive easement in accordance with Section 5.1 of the Master Deed. For mortgagor’s title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 33392, Page 33. 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 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. HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2004-A, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-A Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Sutherland, Valerie, 13-010726  
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# Malden Catholic’s Leading Beyond Gala raises over \$1,000,000

Malden Catholic held its 16th Annual Gala on Thursday, April 28, 2022 in the Doherty Gymnasium and celebrated the school’s 90th Anniversary along with honoring longtime benefactors, Dr. Daniel J. McCarthy ’50 and Mrs. Margaret T. (Noonan) McCarthy GC ’50, with the distinguished Plus Ultra Award. Over 360 parents, alumni, faculty, staff and friends attended the live event which raised over \$1,000,000 for Malden Catholic student scholarships.

According to John K. Thornburg, MC President, “This has been a momentous year for Malden Catholic - we are celebrating our 90th anniversary and the first class of Girls Division students to graduate in May 2022 along with the Boys Division. Malden Catholic is leading beyond all expectations, by fostering nine generations of extraordinary young adults who continue to flourish from the education provided by this outstanding institution.”

In the tradition of Malden Catholic’s Annual



Shown seated are honorees Dr.Daniel McCarthy and his wife Margaret. Standing are James Donovan, Chair of the Board (left) and John K. Thornburg, MC President

Gala, the school celebrated a couple who personifies the pillars of character, leadership and success - Dr. Daniel J. McCarthy ’50 and Mrs. Margaret T. (Noonan) McCarthy GC ’50 as the Plus Ultra Honorees. Dr. McCarthy, Emeritus University Distinguished Professor and McKim-D’Amore Distinguished Professor of

Global Management and Innovation, ranks as the #1 most published author (tied) in the Journal of World Business from 1993-2003, and has been ranked in the top 5 percent of all authors worldwide who published in the leading international business journals from 1996 to 2005, according to a Michigan State Univer-

sity study. He is also one of the top three scholars internationally in business and management in Russia and Central and Eastern Europe, based on a Journal of International Business Studies article analyzing publications in 13 leading journals from 1986-2003. Mrs. McCarthy GC ’50 was a nurse and long-time realtor on

the North Shore. Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy MC & GC 1950 have established scholarship funds for Malden Catholic Girls and Boys Divisions as well as a fund in memory of Margaret’s cousin Margaret M. Dunphy 1961. They are also members of the Malden Catholic’s Plus Ultra and the Saint Francis Xavier Societies.

“We are most grateful to Margaret and Dan McCarthy for their tremendous dedication and commitment to Malden Catholic,” stated Thornburg. “The 2022 Leading Beyond Gala is the highest grossing Gala in our history and our entire community has been very generous in supporting our students!”

Malden Catholic Gala proceeds will benefit student scholarships and help ensure that qualified young men and women who want to attend MC are able to do so, regardless of family finances.

Since 1932, Malden Catholic High School has shaped emerging leaders in our community, claiming a Nobel Laureate, a Senator, two ambassadors and countless community

and business heads among its alumni. Annually, graduates attend some of the nation’s most renowned universities including Harvard, Dartmouth, Georgetown, Brown, Cornell, Tufts, Georgia Tech, Boston College, Northeastern and Amherst College. Foundational to student success is Malden Catholic’s codivisional model which offers the best of both worlds, single-gender academics during the day and integrated social and extracurricular opportunities after school. Malden Catholic is known in the community for its rigorous academics, SFX Scholars Program and award-winning STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) with electives such as Robotics and Engineering Design. Malden Catholic curriculum is designed to improve individual growth mindset, leadership principles, success outcomes along with integrating the Xaverian values of trust, humility, compassion, simplicity and zeal. <https://www.maldencatholic.org>.

## Savings Bank Charitable Foundation presents financial award program

The Savings Bank Charitable Foundation recently presented a financial award of \$3,000 to Mystic Valley Elder Services’ Money Management Program as part of the Foundation’s 25th distribution of funds.

The Money Management Program offers a variety of services ranging from complete oversight of a consumer’s finances to assistance with balancing a checkbook, all free of charge. Without the program, many individuals would face food insecurity, financial exploitation, eviction, and premature institutionalization.

Mystic Valley Elder

Services was one of several local nonprofit organizations that received a financial award from The Savings Bank Charitable Foundation. The foundation, established in 1997 through an initial endowment of \$550,000 from The Savings Bank, presented a total of \$65,975 to 18 nonprofit organizations during the 25th distribution of funds. Over the past 25 years, the Foundation has made donations in excess of \$823,447 to organizations in local communities.

According to the foundation, 20 organizations presented applications totaling more than \$92,475. Awards were granted

based on a number of factors, including intended use of the funds by the organization and the organization’s status as a publicly supported charity. Organizations that received an award were located in the areas served by The Savings Bank, with a focus on those organizations serving the residents of Wakefield, Lynnfield, Andover, North Reading, and Methuen.

The Savings Bank has eight offices located in the communities of Wakefield, Lynnfield, Andover, Methuen and North Reading.

Further information about The Savings Bank, or The Savings Bank



Taking part in the award presentation were (from left to right) The Savings Bank Charitable Foundation Director Therese Jarmusik, Mystic Valley Elder Services Development Coordinator Lisa McGovern, and Bob DiBella, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Savings Bank.

Charitable Foundation, can be obtained by contacting The Foundation at P.O. Box 30, Wakefield, 357 Main Street, MA 01880.

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And we surged funding to community health centers, which disproportionately serve Latino communities.”

During her tenure on the Chelsea City Council, García has tackled many of these issues in her community. Invested in equal healthcare access, García spent time as a bilingual health counselor, helping Massachusetts residents and families secure free health insurance. García pushed for more affordable housing in Chelsea, creating a safer, more livable community. During the pandemic, she was on the frontlines advocating for more tests and pushing for emergency relief funds for homeowners and small businesses.

Of the event, García says she is “as humbled as ever to represent Chelsea and our Commonwealth. It was a surreal experience to know that a daughter of Chelsea from humble beginnings and a working-class family could come this far.”

Learn more at [electjudithgarcia.com](http://electjudithgarcia.com).



Chelsea City Councilor Judith García was among a small group of Latino leaders and elected officials invited to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with President Joe Biden and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden. García is pictured outside the White House before the event.

# Council president proposes change to parking ordinance

By Adam Swift

When the City Council approved a zoning amendment barring residents from new residential developments from getting city parking permits if the developer requested relief from the parking requirements, it also prevented those residents from getting city visitor parking passes.

At Monday night’s meeting, Council President Roy Avellaneda presented an order to change the zoning amendment so those residents will be eligible for the visitor parking pass program. The proposal still needs to go to subcommittee and the planning board for a recommendation before coming back for a public hearing before the council.

“In talking to some residents, I think there might have been a mistake, at least on my part,” said Avellaneda.

He said he was fully in support of making sure anyone who got a special permit because they did

not meet the ordinance requirements for parking spots could not take part in the city parking program.

“You want to build your building or you want to convert this building to be residential or whatever it might be, and not provide off-street parking, that’s fine,” Avellaneda said. “You say you’re not going to need parking on the street, that’s fine, but, your residents are not going to be able to participate in the resident parking sticker program.”

But what Avellaneda said he did not know at the time was that the residents would not be able to get visitor parking passes.

“I didn’t think that would stop your mother from visiting you or anything like that,” said Avellaneda. “The visitor program is underneath the residential program, it’s all one. So I thought I want to bring this to my colleagues; I don’t think we were trying to be cruel and unfair to everybody and not allow people to

have visitors.”

Avellaneda said he also checked with the city parking clerk to make sure the visitor passes couldn’t be used by residents to circumvent the parking program

“I feel fine going forward and trying to make this amendment, and that’s what this does, it basically says if you have a new building that comes along, no, you cannot participate in the resident sticker program, but your residents can still have a visitor,” Avellaneda said.

District 6 Councilor Giovanni Recupero said he supported Avellaneda’s motion, and would also like to see the city explore a program like one in East Boston where a street or part of a street is set aside on weekend nights for visitor parking spaces.

Councilor-At-Large Damali Vidor said she also supported the motion, noting that it was a blind spot that the council did not notice at the time that the residents would not be able to get visitor passes.

## CHILDREN’S BOOK PRESENTED TO CHELSEA SCHOOL COMMITTEE



Chairperson of the Chelsea School Committee Kelly Garcia and Superintendent of Chelsea Public Schools, Almudena Abeyta read along with Kevin Small during his presentation of his children’s book at the Chelsea School Committee meeting last week. Every member of the Chelsea School Committee received a copy of “Jack Stays in a Hotel” by Kevin Small Jr.



Kevin Small Jr. addresses the Chelsea School Committee about his recently written children’s book, “Jack Stays in a Hotel”. Inspired during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Kevin Small Jr. presented his children’s book “Jack Stays In A Hotel” at the School Committee Meeting on Thursday.

This book, which is best suited for four to six year old readers, highlights a young boy’s time in a hotel with his parents and his joyful experiences such as tasty snacks and a warm pool. With easy to understand language combined with excellent illustrations. The reader gets the opportunity to partake in the hotel perspective from a child’s point of view, and grasp what makes a hotel stay so special for them.

This book is available for purchase online on many platforms such as Walmart and Amazon.



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