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A five-alarm blaze at a multifamily on 32-34 Cottage Street left residents displaced. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.



Fire rips through Cottage Street triple-decker

By Adam Swift

A five-alarm fire early Wednesday at a Cottage Street triple-decker duplex sent four residents and two firefighters to the hospital. The six people taken to local hospitals are expected to be okay, according to officials.

Chelsea firefighters responded to the three-story, wood-framed building at 32-34 Cottage St. just after midnight to find heavy fire on all three floors. In addition to causing major damage to this structure, the fire also caused less serious damage to residential buildings on the left and right sides.

Firefighters rescued one person from a third-floor window using a ground ladder and assisted others out of the building on foot. More than 30 people were displaced and are being assisted by the Red Cross. Four residents and two firefighters were transported from the scene for medical care at a local hospital.

“It was a very labor intensive fire, five alarms worth of companies, all of our mutual aid partners,” Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard Albanese told WCVB

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Chelsea Senior Center to host free COVID-19 vaccine clinic

Special to the Record

Families are urged to add COVID-19 vaccination and boosters to their back-to-school checklist with conveniently located vaccine clinics for all ages. The Chelsea Senior Center will host a free, family-friendly COVID-19 vaccine clinic on August 21. As part of a special promotion, everyone who gets vaccinated at the clinic will receive \$100 gift card if they are getting their first dose and \$25 if they are getting a second dose or booster, while supplies last.

The clinic at the Chelsea Senior Center is one of hundreds of free, family-friendly clinics that the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) is co-hosting with community organizations across the Commonwealth in August and September, leading into the new school year.

In addition to this back-to-school celebration clinic, the Chelsea Senior Center is hosting fami-

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Chelsea Police applies for Justice Department grant

By Adam Swift

The Chelsea Police Department is awaiting word on a federal Justice Department grant that would help fund gang, drug, and anti-crime initiatives in the city.

Earlier this month, the department applied for a \$27,105 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant. The entire amount of the grant would be used to put additional personnel in the streets in high crime areas.

According to the police department’s application, the grant will help pay for continued deployment of specialized gang, drug, and anti-crime units as assigned to focus crime reduction initiatives. Those units will engage community input through direct public interaction with officers, community meetings, and computer technology including text-to-tip hotlines and social media accounts.

The specialized units will also work with the department’s crime analysis unit to pinpoint trends and geographic locations around the city where crime or disturbances are happening, as well as working with the commu-

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A beautiful tribute to a beautiful person

David Wood fondly remembers his friend and neighbor, Joseph Wozniak

Special to the Record

David Wood delivered a heartfelt tribute to Joseph Wozniak, his lifelong friend and former neighbor, during a funeral Mass Monday at the Saint Rose Church.

Joseph, the youngest of five children of John and Kathleen Wozniak, died on July 28 at the age of 58.

Many of Joe’s friends remember how popular he was and how respectful he was to others as an outstanding young athlete at Camp Robie at the Chelsea YMCA. Everyone, campers and counselors, gravitated toward the forever-smiling, blond-haired kid because of his upbeat personality, his athletic excellence, and overall, authentic kindness.

Joseph loved his parents, his siblings, and friends. Joseph, Kim, June, and John “Pete” Wozniak, like other kids growing up in Chelsea in the 1970s, no doubt idolized their older brother, Mike – “Big Mike” – who became one of Chelsea High School’s greatest all-time basketball players.

Joseph was a high school sports standout as well, competing and excelling for the Dom Savio football and basketball teams when the Spartans were a powerhouse in the Catholic Central League and the MIAA playoffs. Two of Joseph’s Savio

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LET IT FLY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



Former Chelsea High basketball standout John Martin, with his daughters, Danielle Martin and Melissa Martin shown during the Let it Fly Basketball Classic at Chelsea High on Aug. 13. See more photos on Page 12.

Chelsea men face charges following Winchester melee

By Record Staff

Four Chelsea men were arrested following a large fight and multiple stabbings at the Shannon Beach parking lot, off of the Mystic Valley Parkway.

state troopers from the Medford barracks responded to a call of a large fight and multiple stabbings at the Shannon Beach parking lot, off of the Mystic Valley Parkway.

Four Chelsea men were arrested following a large fight and multiple stabbings at the DCR parking lot for Shannon Beach in Winchester on Sunday, August 14.

Shortly after 8 p.m.,

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ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Chelsea Ward 4 Democratic Committee endorses Roberto Jiménez-Rivera for State Rep.

Special to the Record

The Chelsea Ward 4 Democratic Committee recently endorsed School Committee Member Roberto Jimenez-Rivera for State Representative in his bid for the newly-created 11th Suffolk district.

“The young man from Eleanor Street has demonstrated he loves our city. Roberto, as a member of the School Committee, has shown he's willing to fight for what our community is being promised and that he's ready to represent our community in Beacon Hill,” said Ward 4 Committee Chair Attorney Oliva Walsh. “His background as a union organizer, advocating for legislation, has built the relationships that give him a head start over his opponents. Roberto is the representation we need at the State House.”

Mr. Jimenez-Rivera was thrilled to hear about



School Committee member and candidate for State Rep. Roberto Jimenez-Rivera.

the endorsement. “Ward 4 has traditionally had the highest turnout in our elections, so I am honored to have the Committee’s endorsement. I am particularly committed to supporting our veterans living at the Soldiers’ Home and elsewhere in our district,” said Mr. Jimenez-Rivera. “Our Democratic ward committees are key to building the community power that we need to get legislation passed at the State House. I will

continue to work with the committee members and all the residents of Ward 4 to ensure that the needs of our community are at the core of my advocacy as State Representative. Together, we will push from inside and outside of the State House to secure a better future for us all.”

Chelsea’s Ward 4 includes all of Pratlville, the area around the Chelsea Commons shopping center, and most of the area surrounding the Chelsea Soldiers’ Home. The primary election for Chelsea’s new district is on Tuesday, September 6. Residents can vote on Election Day between 7AM-8PM, during the Early Voting period of August 27-September 2 at City Hall during regular business hours, or by mail. To contact Roberto Jimenez-Rivera’s campaign for questions on how to vote, call 617-466-9149.



Shown left to right, Martin Sanchez, NASRCC/organizer; John Cusack, 328 Business Rep; Judith Garcia, State Representative candidate; Rich Pedi, Boston Regional Manager; Ceaser Rijo, NASRCC organizer.

North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters endorses Judith García for State Rep.

Special to the Record

The North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters (NASRCC) has officially endorsed Judith García in her run for the 11th Suffolk district’s state representative seat.

NASRCC is part of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, one of North America’s largest building-trades unions, and it represents over 28,000 carpenters, pile drivers, shop and millmen, and floorcoverers working across the northeastern United States. It is committed to establishing fair wages, benefits, and safe working conditions for workers.

“The North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters is proud to endorse Judith Garcia as the next State Represent-

tative for Chelsea and Everett in the 11th Suffolk district,” said NASRCC Political Director Joe O’Brien. “Judith has been a leader in her community and a tireless advocate for working families. We look forward to continuing that work with her in the Massachusetts State House.”

Since announcing her candidacy for state representative in February of 2022, García has maintained the importance of unions and workers’ rights. “Unions are the backbone of this country,” she said. “They protect our workers and strengthen our rights. NASRCC is bold, they are committed to bettering conditions not only for their own members but for all workers. I am honored that they have trusted me with their endorsement.

In addition to NASRCC, García has received the support of SEIU 888 and the endorsements of the Carpenters Local 328, Ironworkers Local 7, MWPC PAC, and a host of local leaders including activist Gladys Vega, Chelsea School Committee President Kelly García, and Chelsea City Council President Roy Avellaneda.

“We need bold leadership, courageous leadership, who will not shy away from difficult tasks but face them head on with the consent of the people they represent,” García said.

García faces two opponents in the Democratic Primary in the 11th Suffolk district’s race for state representative, which will be on September 6, 2022.

Learn more at electjudithgarcia.com.

UAW Region 9A becomes 9th labor union to endorse Roberto Jimenez-Rivera for State Rep.

Special to the Record

This week School Committee member at-large Roberto Jimenez-Rivera announced that he has received the endorsement of the United Auto Workers Region 9A, a union representing over 50,000 workers in Massachusetts, other north east states, and Puerto Rico. UAW Region 9A joins eight other labor unions that have endorsed or supported Roberto to date, including Boston Carmens Local 589, UFCW 1445, IBEW 2222, SEIU 888, the Massachusetts Teachers Association, American Federation of Teachers - Massachu-

setts, Chelsea Teachers Union, and Boston Teachers Union.

UAW represents workers in the auto industry, casinos, and higher education, among others. “This is a special endorsement for our team, because my wife Sarah Neville is represented by UAW as a member of the Boston College Graduate Employees Union,” said Jimenez-Rivera.

“This spring, I spoke at a rally on campus, protesting Boston College’s poor healthcare for graduate workers, and I was called in for a disciplinary hearing as a result. Rober-

to was at my side during the hearing, which a very transparent attempt at worker intimidation and union-busting,” said Neville. “Whether it’s fighting for workers’ rights, investing in our community, or campaigning for elected office, we do everything as a family.”

Jimenez-Rivera and Neville live in Chelsea with their two-year-old son Robi. Jimenez-Rivera’s other endorsements include the National Association of Social Workers Massachusetts PACE, Environmental League of Massachusetts, and the Sierra Club.

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ly-friendly clinics every Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone ages 6 months and older can get a COVID-19 vaccination, and anyone ages 5 and older can get a booster. Appointments are not needed. Vaccination is free and no ID or health insurance is required. A list of these clinics can be found at www.mass.gov/KidsClinic.

“We want to give kids the best protection as they return to school, so they are less likely to get sick and have to miss classes and activities,” said Public Health Commissioner Margaret Cooke. “We hope these convenient, all-ages clinics make it easier for families to get their children vaccinated and keep them safe.”

The back-to-school vaccination clinic details:

Back-to-School Vaccination Celebration	
Chelsea Senior Center, 10 Riley Way, Chelsea	
Sunday, August 21	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The CDC recommends that children ages 6 months to 17 years old receive a COVID-19 vaccination and that everyone 5 years and older receive a booster. Two boosters are recommended for anyone who is 50 or older or immunocompromised.

The City of Chelsea is among many local partners working with the state’s Vaccine Equity Initiative to share information about the COVID-19 vaccine and increase access to vaccinations.

To date, more than 5.4 million people in Massachusetts are now fully vac-

inated. COVID-19 vaccines and boosters have been rigorously tested and proven to be safe and effective by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, providing protection from the virus and preventing serious illness.

For more information about the COVID-19 vaccine for children, and to find a clinic near you, visit www.mass.gov/KidsClinic. Additional options are available through VaxFinder. Anyone who is unable to attend a community clinic can request in-home vaccination.

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Chelsea Pride Football and Cheer Sign Ups

Chelsea Pride Football signups are currently underway for the 2022 season. Registration is \$80 for the first child \$60 for each additional child. There will be sign ups Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:45pm to 7:45pm at Carter Park

We are offering the following

- 1st-2nd grade Flag
- 3rd -4th grade Tackle
- 5th-6th grade Tackle
- 7th-8th grade Tackle
- Cheering

The following paperwork needed when signing up.

- Original Birth certificate (for New Players Only)
- 4th quarter report card
- 2022 physical
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Come join a great league at Chelsea Pride Football. If you have any questions about Chelsea Pride Football you can email us at chelseapridefootball@yahoo.com or message us on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/chelseapridefootballandcheer. You can also call Vice President Shawn O'Regan at 857-258-5551 or board member Kevin O'Regan at 857-258-6730.

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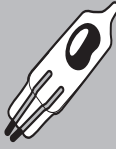
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Within just a few hours of writing our editorial last Tuesday (August 9) extolling the virtues of the heat and humidity of the summer season, Mother Nature turned the tables on us.

We were sitting in our hot house -- we don't have air conditioning -- but enjoying a warm breeze, when, at 8:14 p.m., the wind shifted from south-westerly to north-easterly. The air suddenly became chilly -- the temperature dropped 10 degrees within a few minutes -- and we soon had to shut all of our windows.

Yes, the weather this past week has been nice (and is forecast to remain so for the next 10 days), but the temperatures have struggled to reach 80 during the day and we've had to wear warm clothing in the cool evenings.

No doubt there may be a few lingering hot days in the weeks ahead -- we have many fond memories of hot Labor Day (and even some Columbus Day) weekends from our youth.

But it is clear that the summer of 2022 is all but over -- and fall is in the air.

Your opinions, please

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LETTERS to the Editor

SUPPORTS JUDITH GARCIA

Dear Editor,
Experience. Lived Experience. To be a truly effective, and compassionate leader, having experience, and lived experience, is essential. The combination of having spent time doing something, understanding how it works and how to get things done—along with a unique life journey that makes you truly, deeply understand issues at a personal level—is what sets Judith Garcia apart in this race for state representative and defines her as a leader. Judith's dedication and passion for public service come from a place of real empathy, not just talking about, but actually walking in the shoes of the constituents she aims to more powerfully represent. Her drive to become a State Representative is built on her extensive experience as a Chelsea city councilor, and a proven track record of action, and accomplishments. Experience, and lived experience.

As a first-generation Latino physician who grew up experiencing many of the challenges our communities face today, I understand the importance of experience and lived experience. They are

few of us locally, and even nationally, who can bring this combination together, and it drives us to make a difference in our communities and deliver results for our patients. This is the work I have dedicated my career to and was able to do in partnership with so many—including Judith—during the COVID pandemic, in communities like Chelsea and Everett. This is why I understand her so well, why I support her, and why I hope you will too.

As a Latina, she knows what it's like to have to overcome obstacles that many of her peers have never faced. And as a Chelsea city councilor, she has made it her mission to empower her community, like when she fought for simultaneous translation of city council meetings so that Spanish-speaking residents could truly have access to their local government.

There are many ways in which our elected leaders – especially on a local and state level – directly impact our lives: they can advocate for safer and more extensive public transportation that can decrease the pollution that gives Chelsea some of MA's highest asthma rates; they can advocate for a better educational system, and after-school programs that

keep kids in school and off the streets; they can support efforts that secure the safety and health of working people. These are the types of issues Judith aims to tackle, and she is driven to tackle them because she lived them and knows we can do better. She has already demonstrated she can help us do better, and she has earned the larger responsibility of bringing her experience—and lived experience—to the State House. Let's make that a reality.

**Joseph R. Betancourt,
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Senior Vice President,
Equity and Community
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Massachusetts General
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SUPPORTS LEO ROBINSON

Dear Editor,
I am writing this letter to support and endorse Leo Robinson for State Representative not because he's a friend, but because of all he has done for the City of Chelsea. I had the pleasure of working with Leo on the Chelsea City Council for six years and come to know how one man can be so committed to the city and its people. It is important that residents choose someone like

Leo who has been around for years who knows the city well who has more knowledge of the city who has been around during the Chelsea fires, and then bringing the city out of receivership to where it is today.

I keep hearing other candidates talk about education and I know this is a big part of our children's future. But what about other issues that are affecting the future of our city.

We need a candidate like Leo Robinson that has the knowledge of issues confronting our cities along with the understanding of how city government works.

Leo's experience is without a doubt flawless.

Leo puts in so much time as a current City Councilor who starts his day off by going and spending time in city hall, meeting with the city manager and then going out to the streets to meet Greet and conduct business with the residents and people of Chelsea.

The City of Chelsea and Everett need Leo Robinson

I know when I go to the polls in September, I will cast my vote for a man who cares more about us and the city than anyone I know.

I hope you do the same.
Joe Perlatonda

Elected officials, transit advocates call for suspending fares for all MBTA riders

Special to the Independent

Elected officials, advocates, and riders are calling for suspending fare collection across the entire MBTA system during the month-long shutdowns of the Orange Line (beginning August 19) and the Green Line north of Government Center (beginning August 22).

New data released shows that, excluding already free bus routes, 137,056 daily bus trips are taken on routes that connect to the Orange Line – meaning tens of thousands of people who rely on buses to connect to the Orange Line will pay an MBTA fare before connecting to a free shuttle service. Additionally, thousands of bus riders who may not be making a connection to a shuttle will still bear the brunt of increased congestion in the region.

To respond to the significant negative impacts the shutdowns will have on these and all MBTA riders, and to continue to promote transit use over driving, riders, advocates and elected officials are calling for suspending fares across all rapid transit lines, all bus lines, and all commuter rail lines and zones through the duration of the shutdown. The MBTA's current plan offers free rides only on Orange Line shuttle buses, as well as allowing riders to pay for trips on commuter rail lines within Zones 1A, 1, and 2 by showing their CharlieCard or CharlieTicket.

A suspension of all fares, coupled with implementing rapid bus lanes and a more accessible commuter rail service, would respond equitably

to the needs of all transit riders and ensure more people continue to use the system rather than drive during the shutdowns.

“The Orange Line serves as a crucial economic, social, and community link for students and working families in Massachusetts, including for many lower-income communities and communities of color throughout Greater Boston. They will bear the brunt of this devastating shutdown, but they shouldn't be forced to carry the financial costs as well. Fare-free transit is a common-sense step to lessen the burden on commuters and ensure the T puts public transit riders first.” – Senator Ed Markey

“Due to decades of underinvestment and mismanagement of the MBTA, our constituents find themselves in an untenable situation. We should not have to choose between safety and service. Riders should not have to bear the burden of these disruptive shutdowns, which we know will hit our most vulnerable commuters hardest. Making the T free during these shutdowns would reduce the financial impact on riders and lower families' costs during a time of inflation, while also promoting connectivity, accessibility, sustainability, and addressing the transit gaps that have deepened the racial and economic disparities in our communities. I thank Senator Markey for his close partnership in this effort and to our advocates and local partners for keeping up the pressure.” – Representative Ayanna Pressley

“Bus riders who rely on a connection to the Orange Line are facing an extraor-

dinary burden during the shutdown. We know that fare free buses are faster and more reliable, and eliminating fares across the system during this period will give time and money back to the people who are most impacted by this disruption.” – Boston Mayor Michelle Wu

“During these unprecedented closures, MBTA riders deserve unprecedented support. Somerville residents will be doubly burdened with both the Orange and Green Line closures, and for many, access to jobs, school, health care, and other essential services will be at risk. Suspending fares systemwide is not only the equitable thing to do – it's good policy that will keep more users on public transit during the next month and beyond.” – Somerville Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

“The shutdown demonstrates the extreme importance of public transportation for everyone: riders, drivers, cyclists, businesses, the economy, and our air and climate. Recent disasters have steeply eroded confidence in the system, but we need to rebuild ridership for everyone's benefit. Free fares for everyone will help with that. Free fares will signal gratitude and an apology to those riders who have stuck with public transportation through multiple disasters, many of whom have no real alternative.” – State Senator Pat Jehlen

“Safe, reliable and affordable public transportation is critical to connect our communities, and the Orange and Green Line diversions will have serious impacts on my constituents. I am concerned that the needs of those who rely

most on public transportation, for whom working from home or being late for work are not options, are not being considered. Making the system fare free during this shutdown is one critical way to address the financial impact of this closure.” – State Representative Christine Barber

“The Orange and Green Line shutdown will result in lost wages and missed medical appointments, further exacerbating the health disparities of low-income communities that were hit hardest during the pandemic like Chelsea and East Boston and who are reliant on public transportation. A full fare suspension will give essential workers and low-income families a fighting chance to thrive during this transit emergency.” – GreenRoots Associate Executive Director Maria Belen Power

“Riders along the Fairmont corridor, especially in Dorchester and Mattapan, use the bus system to connect with the Orange Line to bring them into downtown. The idea that they will have to figure out a very unclear system of payment when having to deal with significantly longer travel times and transfers is shameful – the MBTA needs to prioritize riders by giving the free fares and transparency on the process ahead.” – Action 4 Equity Transit Organizer Mea Johnson

“The T is essential to our work. I take the Orange Line frequently for our environmental justice presentations, connecting with youth leaders in Greater Boston and to accompany my grandmother

Rosemary Sheehan named new Board Chair at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts (BBBSEM), one of the nation’s leading one-to-one youth mentoring programs and New England’s largest Big Brothers Big Sisters affiliate, has appointed Rosemary Sheehan, Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO) at Mass General Brigham, the largest private employer in Massachusetts with over 82,000 employees, as their new Board Chair. Since 2019, she has served on the agency’s Board of Directors.

Sheehan first joined the BBBSEM team through the agency’s Senior Human Resources Advisors Council. Her passion for the mission grew as she helped staff to develop the nonprofit’s People & Culture strategy. At Mass General Brigham, she partners with executive leadership to develop internal growth, expand/build people and process capabilities, create/drive a culture of innovation, continuous improvement and operational excellence,



Rosemary Sheehan.

and strengthen the strategic business alignment of the HR function. She brings more than 30 years of experience in healthcare revenue cycle operations, staff development and leadership, new business development, regulatory compliance, and complex project management.

“I am so proud of how the agency has managed to continue to serve so many children during the pandemic while also recently approving a new strategic plan,” says Sheehan, who walks her talk as a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts Mentor 2.0 program.

“The pandemic has highlighted the inequities in our society and created a massive mental health issue. I look forward to supporting the new strategic plan and helping the nonprofit play a pivotal role in supporting our youth as the new Board Chair.”

Throughout her personal life and her career, Sheehan has been a champion for those who are marginalized and less fortunate. Her compassion is born out of her personal journey. She is the daughter of immigrants from Portugal, neither of whom were educated beyond the 5th grade, and grew up in Fall River where her parents worked in garment factories. In addition to her parents, her role models as a child were her high school teachers.

“I was lucky to have mentors,” says Sheehan. “I know that I wouldn’t be in the current role I am in if they were not there to guide me. There is a lot of data to show that early mentorship makes a big difference in the lives of

youth. We need to ensure that the agency is here long term!”

Sheehan’s passion for mentoring runs in the family. Her husband is also a mentor for the agency’s Mentor 2.0 program and her daughter, when in school at Boston College, serves as a Campus-Based Big Sister. In part thanks to her mentors, Sheehan earned her BA Degree in Chemistry cum laude at Assumption College, and her MBA summa cum laude at Babson College.

“Rosemary is a critical asset to our Board with both the personal and professional experiences that she brings to the table,” says Mark O’Donnell, BBBSEM President & CEO. “As we seek to increase the number of adult mentors in our organization and provide them with the support necessary to foster meaningful relationships with Littles, the encouragement, guidance, and strategic insights provided by our Board Chair is imperative to the success of our organization,

and we are elated to welcome Rosemary in this position.”

As Board Chair, Sheehan will partner with O’Donnell and other board members to support and sustain the work of BBBSEM and ensure appropriate board composition with regard to the organization’s strategic objectives. In addition, she will provide governance leadership, and strategic fundraising support to the greater BBBSEM team. Sheehan will help to run board meetings and an annual retreat.

In its 70th year, BBBSEM has created and served more than 20,000 matches. The nonprofit is now enrolling and matching Littles and Bigs. For more information, to register your children or to become a volunteer, visit: www.emassbigs.org.

About Big Brother Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is an innovative, energetic organization that

is making a real difference in the lives of nearly 3,000 youth annually by providing them with an invested, caring adult mentor in long-term, professionally supported relationships. With research and proven outcomes at its core, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is working to defend the potential of children facing adversity and ensure every child has the support from caring adults that they need for healthy development and success in life. The organization’s vision is to inspire, engage and transform communities in Eastern Massachusetts by helping youth achieve their full potential, contributing to healthier families, better schools, more confident futures and stronger communities. Throughout its 70 years, the largest Big Brothers Big Sisters affiliate in New England has created and served more than 20,000 matches. For more information about the agency and its mission, visit www.emassbigs.org.

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for her needs in the city. A suspension of fares will make it a lot easier for young people to commute outside of Chelsea.” - Darien Rodriguez, Green-Roots ECO Youth Crew Member, 15 years old

“The month-long shutdown of the Orange and Green Lines is expected to have a severe impact on mobility in Greater Boston and increase traffic congestion throughout the region. Left unabated, this will be disruptive to riders, the economy, and the business community. Suspending fares across the MBTA system will help encourage public transit use and address serious equity issues for the many bus riders who are set to pay for service before connecting to a free shuttle bus. The legislature approved \$266 million in this year’s state budget to address the safety repairs recommended by the FTA, so there is funding available to support this initiative. Using this money to support riders and this region during

these shutdowns is a wise use of these funds at this critical time.” – A Better City President & CEO Rick Dimino

“Suspending fares systemwide makes sense in a crisis situation like the one that we’re facing today. The current suspension of fares for commuter rail riders in Zones 1, 1A, and 2 does not go far enough if the goal of authority is the reduction of traffic in the diversion zone. Full fare suspension on all modes will help convince more people to take the train, bus, or ferry instead of their car, and will reduce congestion both for Orange Line shuttles and for those who have no choice but to drive.” – TransitMatters Programs Manager Matthew Petersen


“Given the enormous economic impact the shutdown will have on the region, systemwide fares suspension is an investment in keeping people - and the economy - moving for the next month. The Commonwealth’s historic

revenue surplus, in addition to unexpended ARPA funds and the additional funds the legislature allocated to the MBTA to address the FTA recommendation, offer more than enough resources to fill any revenue shortfall that may occur as a result of a system-wide fares suspension.” – LivableStreets Executive Director Stacy Thompson


“While the need to take drastic steps to improve the safety and reliability of our public transportation system is understood, this move must be met with a sincere effort to reduce the negative impacts on all who rely on the system.

The reality is many riders will feel compelled to turn to private vehicles to get where they need to go, which will impact countless bus riders who will sit in worsened traffic. A suspension of fares is not only the just action to take, but can serve as an incentive for Orange and Green Line riders to use the commuter rail rather than driving.” – Transportation for Massachusetts Interim Executive Director Josh Ostroff

**The group utilized the MBTA COVID Recovery Dashboard developed by TransitMatters, which is based on MBTA rider-ship data.



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OBITUARIES

Katherine “Kay” Emanuella Stec

April 29, 1922 – August 12, 2022

Katherine “Kay” Emanuella Stec passed away peacefully on Friday, August 12 into the arms of her beloved lord and savior. She had just recently marked her 100th birthday.

One of seven children, she was born with her twin sister in Chelsea to Italian immigrants, Vincenzo and Maria Michellina (Delli Gatti) Barbieri on April 29th, 1922. She was a lifelong resident of Chelsea, growing up in Chelsea’s waterfront area. She first worked at her father’s convenience store “Jimmy’s,” on the corner of Beacon and Tremont Streets.

She attended Shurtleff and Chelsea High School. Completing the 9th grade, she left school and began working with her twin sister at Beacon Rag Co., on Marginal Street in Chelsea.

She was married to Stanley J. Stec for 69 years and together they raised three daughters. Kay was passionately devoted to home and family, also welcoming her four grandsons, who she thought the world of.

As a young lady, Kay sang on local radio shows. And when her daughters attended the Shurtleff School, she was active in the PTA planning and organizing fashion shows, cake sales, talent shows and even appearing on stage with Kay Dwyer, Connie Santagate-Landers and other parents. She had many talents in addition to singing, she would draw and paint portraits and still life pictures, as a seamstress she could sew anything.

She was a well-known and beloved member of the Chelsea Senior Center where she ran Bingo Games and other activities. She was a past member of the Cpl. Frank Barbieri Lodge Sons of Italy and the Golden Age Club. She and her late husband were once active in the Chelsea Knights of Columbus and other local organizations. She lived her entire life in the same Chelsea neighborhood and spent her final years at living at Chelsea Village



on Admirals Hill.

In addition to her parents, Kay was predeceased by her beloved husband, Stanley J. Stec in 2011, her twin sister, Feliciana “Phyllis” T. Mullen and her husband, John, and siblings: Angela Navoy and her husband, Tony, Matthew J. Barbieri and US Army Cpl. Frank Barbieri (KIA), her in-laws, Edward Diamond and Ann “Peachie” Barbieri.

She is lovingly survived by her daughters and their spouses: Catherine Stec of Chelsea, Patricia Grabowski and her husband, Dennis of Hanover, Susan Bellofatto and her husband, Anthony of Malden. She was the cherished grandmother of Jonathan G. Grabowski and his wife, Vanessa Thermen, Matthew J. Grabowski and his companion, Julie Carnes, Anthony C. Bellofatto and Nicholas J. Bellofatto and his fiancé, Karine O’Loughlin. She was the dear sister of John J. Barbieri of Danvers and Marie Diamond of Chelsea. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, extended family members and friends.

Visiting hours will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday, August 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home on Saturday, August 20 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

To send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



Barbara Ann Dwyer

Wonderful wife, mother and homemaker

Barbara A. (Buckley) Dwyer, 80 of New Brighton, PA passed from this earth and into the arms of Jesus on Monday, August 15, 2022, surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Chelsea on April 7, 1942, she was the daughter of the late Jeremiah and Marie (Horgan) Buckley. Barbara was a wonderful wife, mother and homemaker. She loved being visited by her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Barbara also loved nature and flowers.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Gerald and Paul Buckley; her son-in-law, Michael Labasik IV and a niece, Lauren Mabee. Surviving is her loving husband of 60 years, Robert Dwyer; three daughters, Jill Dwyer, Susan (Stuart) Hampton, Lynne Dwyer Labasik and Daniel Dudek, all of New Brighton; eight grandchildren: Tanner Henry, Abbie (James) Seabright, Joshua (Amara) Hampton, Zachary Hampton, Jessica (Brandon) Will, Nicholas Hampton, Michael (Jordan) Labasik V and Sarah Labasik, five great grandchildren; two sisters, Kathleen (Thomas) Brown of Georgia and



Susan (William) Mabee of Massachusetts; two brothers, James (Jeanne) Buckley of New Hampshire and Brian (Gail) Buckley of Massachusetts and several nieces, nephews and their families.

Friends will be received on Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. followed by her Celebration of Life service at 6 p.m. in J & J Spratt Funeral Home, 1612 Third Ave, New Brighton, PA. Rev. Philip Bottomley and Rev. Greg McBrayer, officiating.

Private interment will take place in St. Joseph Cemetery, New Brighton, PA.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Barbara’s name to the Alzheimer’s Association, 2835 E. Carson Street, Suite 200, Pittsburgh, Pa 15203 or Mustard Seed Project, 1305 Merchant Street, Ambridge PA 15003.

Thomas Harley Myers

January 6, 1948 – August 8, 2022

Thomas Harley Myers, 74, passed away on August 8 at Massachusetts General Hospital.

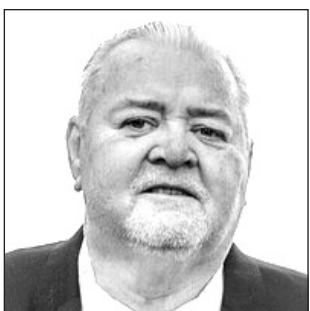
Born in Boston, he was the beloved son of the late Marie Evelyn

Myers and brother of the late Donald Myers, both of Brookline. He was a resident of Melrose for the past 30 years.

Thomas attended Laboure College of Health Care and Northeastern University, where he trained as a respiratory therapist. He also served in the US Army during the Vietnam War and returned to civilian life in 1974.

Following his service, he worked in various health care roles at Longwood Hospital and Children’s Hospital Medical Center before becoming a mental health worker at McClean Hospital, where he was employed for over 20 years.

In his lifetime, Thomas enjoyed classic cars, rock music, and trying local restaurants. Family and friends describe his as being very funny, a com-



elling storyteller and a devoted father.

He is survived by his daughter, Vanessa Jacobson and her husband, Peter of Chelsea and his son, Thomas John Myers and his fiancé, Mikayla Maillet of Hampton Beach, NH.

Relatives and friends attended graveside interment and celebration of life at Walnut Hills Cemetery, 96 Grove St., Brookline on Wednesday, August 17.

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

To send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



Shaqir Merdani

April 20, 1934 – August 10, 2022

It is with great sadness, that we announce the passing our beloved uncle, Shaqir (Beni) Merdani. Shaqir passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by Bersan, Bruna and his precious cat, Koko on August 10, 2022 at the age of 89.

Shaqir was born on April 20, 1933 in Libohova, Albania. He was one of ten siblings, and the last surviving one. He lived in Durres for 16 years until the age of 27. He defected from Albania in 1960, an act of extreme courage and bravery that only a few can survive. Leaving behind his family and his loved ones was the hardest thing he ever did. He came to the United States one year after. He fell in love with his new country, explored many regions and finally settled in Chelsea and never left. His generosity and big heart has touched so many lives. He was a beacon of light and a ray of hope for many Albanian immigrants who called Massachusetts their home.

Shaqir was able to return to Albania, after the fall of communism, in 1991 and reunite with his family. Since 1991, his house became a shelter for all his nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. He always gave without expecting anything in return. He was someone who you could always count on.

Shaqir’s optimistic view of life was conta-



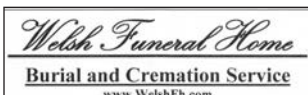
gious and his dedication to helping people in need was surpassed only by his love for sports. He was an avid swimmer and runner, but above all he loved to lift weights. Many people have dared and raced him, but no one could ever beat him. Shaqir challenged and motivated people around him to be better.

Shaqir lived his life to the fullest and never wavered from his convictions. He will be forever loved and remembered from Bersan, Brian, Bruna and all his loved ones. Shaqir leaves behind a legacy of love, loyalty and kindness.

Rest in eternal peace.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to honor Shaqir’s life by gathering at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday August 18 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Services will conclude with Shaqir being placed to rest at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

To send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



Diana “Dede” Walsh

August 27, 1937 - August 9, 2022

Diana “Dede” Walsh, 84, passed away on Tuesday, August 9 at the Belvidere Health Care Center in Lowell where she had been receiving supportive care for the past year.

Born and raised in Chelsea, she was the beloved daughter of the late Patrick R. and Florence V. (Harrington) Walsh.

She attended St. Rose School and local schools. She was a resident of Billerica for the past 27 years and was a former resident of Chelsea and Everett.

Dede worked for many years for LPM Concessioners as a workplace cafeteria cashier. After retiring from LPM, she continued working for many years at Walmart taking her full retirement at the age of 80.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased

by her brothers; Edward, Patrick and Thomas Walsh. She is survived by her sisters-in-law Patricia Walsh of Billerica and Carol Coleman and her husband, John of Charlestown and is also survived by her nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

Relatives and friends gathered at the Welsh Funeral home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Saturday August 13 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 670 Washington Avenue, Revere at 12:00 Noon. Services concluded with interment in Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. To send expressions of sympathy, please visit: www.WelshFH.com.



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nity services division.

The top five identifiers of success for the program will focus on repeat offenders, gangs and drugs, community policing, firearms, and violence and violent crimes.

Generally, the Justice Department’s Office of Justice Programs award notifications are made by the end of the current federal fiscal year on Sept. 30, according to the Department of Justice website.

In other police business, the department is participating once again this year in the Pink Patch Project. The goal of the project is to raise funds to further the research, treatment, and care for those battling or who have battled cancer.

The police department will be selling a limited supply of its standard department patch in a new 2022 pink design for \$10 each. The patches will be numbered on the reverse side.

Patches will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis until they are sold out or until the end of October, whichever comes first. All proceeds from the patch will be donated to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

Anyone who wants a patch can email CPDpinkpatch@gmail.com with their name and phone number. The patches are available for pick up at the Chelsea Police Department or can be mailed out.

Orders will be accepted through Oct. 31.

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CANDIDATE FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE LEO ROBINSON HOSTS RECEPTION

A large crowd of supporters attended a campaign gathering for Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson, who is seeking to become the state representative for the new Chelsea-Everett dis-

Robinson has served five times as City Council President and is the longest-serving councilor in the city's history.

Former State Rep. Gene O'Flaherty introduced Robinson, praising his exceptional leadership and lifelong commitment to the people of Chelsea.

Robinson, who was joined by his

wife, Linda Alioto-Robinson at the event, told his enthusiastic supporters, "I represent the whole community, not a segment of the community."



Candidate for State Representative Leo Robinson is shown with Al Ewing.



Classmates and friends, Howard Dorfman is a big supporter of Councillor Leo Robinson for State Representative.



Tracy Nowicki and Minna Karas Marino.



Joe Perlatonda with Leo Robinson at the Residence Inn Tuesday night.



Former CAPIC Executive Director Robert Repucci introduced the elected officials at Candidate for State Representative Leo Robinson's reception last Tuesday evening.



Candidate Leo Robinson with Geraldine Benton, Liz Joyce, Rick and Phil Cipollone.



Ronald Robinson, Deacon Henry P. Caldwell, Shelia Caldwell, Gail Mauch, Bruce Mauch, Linda Alioto-Robinson and Candidate Leo Robinson.



Supporters of Councillor Leo Robinson for State Representative, State Reps. Jeff Turco, Dan Ryan and Jessica Giannino and Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden.



Chelsea City Councillor Leo Robinson has lots of dedicated supporters for his campaign for State Representative.



Robert and Jack Connors, with Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson.



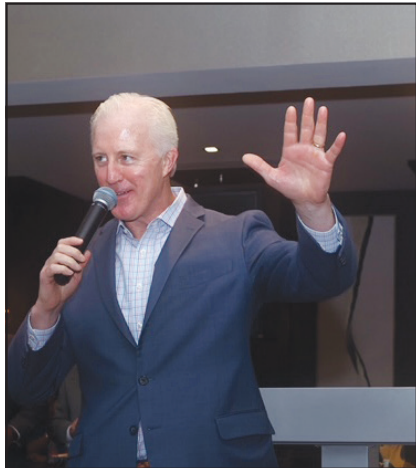
Ronald Robinson with State Representative Jeff Turco and Robert Repucci.



President of the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce Paul Nowicki, Rosemarie Carlisle and Joie Pandolofo with Leo Robinson.



**DJ George Athas and Blanca Yepes
enjoying the reception for Candidate
Leo Robinson at the Residence Inn.**



Getting a great reception from the crowd former State Representative Eugene O'Flaherty introduces his friend, his neighbor and colleague Chelsea City Councillor at Large Leo Robinson for State Representative.



**Candidate for State Representative
Leo Robinson takes center stage and
thanks his friend Gene O'Flaherty for
a great introduction.**



Candidate for State Rep., Chelsea City Councillor Leo Robinson addresses the capacity crowd at the Residence Inn in Chelsea last Tuesday evening. Robinson touched on all his qualifications, his insights to the future of the new district and stood by his unblemished record as a public servant of the people, all the people of Chelsea.



Former State Representative Gene O'Flaherty with State Reps. Dan Ryan and Jessica Giannino.



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Chambers gives back to community as a member of the Army National Guard

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Former Revere resident Jamie Chambers, a Sergeant First Class and Senior Career Counselor/Recruiter for the Massachusetts Army National Guard, is proud of giving back to his hometown. Assigned to the Barnes Building in South Boston, Jamie recruits prospective members in Revere, Everett, Chelsea, Winthrop, East Boston and Charlestown.

“As a recruiter we are tasked with providing qualified applicants with enlistment options and information to help them make the best decision possible. We are expected to be involved with our assigned areas high schools and communities to help with events through the school year. As recruiters, we show the community they can count on us and teach them the vital role the National Guard provides in any situation. Most recently we had soldiers assigned to Revere Public Schools as bus drivers to help augment the fleet when school came back to session after COVID. During COVID we had soldiers working around the clock providing supplies, medical aid and security at hospitals around the Commonwealth. This is

exactly what the National Guard's mission is to take care of the State in its time of need. I was very fortunate to be assigned to the area I grew up in. It gives me the opportunity to give back to the community that helped me grow into the soldier I am today.”

Jamie grew up in the Riverside neighborhood of Revere with his parents, Paul and Carolyn Chambers, along with his three brothers Jason, Jesse, and Jared. He attended the Paul Revere and Beachmont Schools before graduating from Revere High School in 1999. Chamber is now a married father of 4 and living in Charlestown with his wife Shannon, a paraprofessional at the Harvard Kent School, adopted son Tyler, 27, daughters Alannah, 11, and Tara, 9, and son, Calen 2.

Chambers became involved in the National Guard immediately after his senior year at RHS. "I wasn't showing up on time and wound up failing English which I had first period every day. I needed something to right the ship and just after summer school my brother Jesse, who was attending art school, came home and said "I just joined the National Guard and they gave me



Annual festival honoring healing Saints Cosmas and Damian set for Sept. 9-11

Rock & Roll, Vocal, and Grammy® Halls Fame Artist, The Platters will host fellow international headline recording artists The Trammps, Chubby Checker & The Wildcats, and Starship featuring Mickey Thomas at the 97th edition of the Italian Culture, Family, and Food Festival honoring the Italian healing Saints Cosmas and Damian on Cambridge, Warren and Porter Streets in East Cambridge, the weekend of September 9, 10, and 11, 2022.

The three-day fun family event features a wide variety of sweet and savory food, a “Beer Garden” sponsored by Anheuser-Bush, and music that spans four decades of dance, pop, and rock kicks off Friday at 6 p.m. when Saints Cosmas and Damian accompanied

by members of the fraternal Society, the North End Marching Band, and the faithful process from their permanent home at 17 Porter Street in East Cambridge to the outdoor chapel overlooking the festival concourse on Warren Street. At 7 p.m., a special healing service with the holy relics of Saints Cosmas and Damian led by Monsignor Anthony Spinosa (formerly from East Cambridge) from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon will take place.

At 7:30 p.m., teleport with Morning Magic co-host David O’Leary (MAGIC 106.7 FM) and Club Classic DJ Ricky P. (former STAR FM) at the Warren Street Stage and dance under the stars to the hottest club classics along with an exceptional

live performance by disco greats The Trammps (Disco Inferno, Hold Back the Night, That’s Where the Happy People Go, Zing Went The Strings Of My Heart...). On Friday, be “where all the happy people go” at the outdoor “Warren Street Disco,” where partiers can also take a shot at walking away with a \$500.00 grand cash prize at a Throwback Disco Dance Contest.

On Saturday, the festivities begin at 1 p.m. as the savory aromas of pizza, fried dough, Italian sausages, peppers, Zeppole’s, and much more permeate the air around Cambridge, Porter, and Warren Streets, along with continual live entertainment.

Beginning at 7 p.m., the Feast area expands to include the Cambridge Street Stage igniting an

evening of song and dance as festival attendees rock through the decades as they twist the night away with the legendary Chubby Checker & The Wildcats (Twist, Let’s Twist Again, Limbo Rock, The Hucklebuck...), and rock on with the architects of the city built on Rock & Roll, Starship featuring Mickey Thomas, jamming to their mega hits that include We Built This City, Nothings Gonna Stop Us, Sara, It’s Not Over. Between Checker and Starship, they’ll be a special surprise Rock & Roll Hall of Fame performance taking concertgoers on a musical journey through the decades of music from the 50s to today. Around the corner on the Warren Street Stage, New England’s favorite party group, Vinyl Groove,

performs with continuous dancing under the stars.

The grand finale of the Feast on Sunday begins at 10 a.m. with Boston Auxiliary Bishop Peter Uglietto as the principal celebrant of a Mass in honor of the Healing Saints Cosmas and Damian on the Warren Street Stage. At 1 p.m., the grand procession with the Saints, accompanied by the North End Marching Band, St. Alfio’s Marching Band, and the award-winning Everett High School Marching Band under the direction of Gene O’Brien, winds through the streets of East Cambridge and Somerville.

Local favorites Stephen Savio’s Seabreeze and Smokin’ Joe and his band entertain throughout the day as the food and fun flow through the

streets. The parade arrives back on Warren Street at 7 pm for a welcome back celebration featuring a confetti shower followed by a LIVE performance in honor of the Saints by The Platters (Only You, Great Pretender, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Twilight Time...) performing their classic hits, some old Italian classics selected and arranged specifically for this celebration including a sneak preview of new music being added to the Great American soundtrack by the group in more than six decades later this year.

For Feast and vendor information, call (617)-407-1256 or visit www.cosmas-and-damian.org.

“Emerald Tutu” floating biomass may help against sea level rise

By John Lynds

Last year, coastal engineer and professor, Julia Hopkins led a team to place a floating biomass mat off the shores of East Boston.

The mat tested were part of a larger National Science Foundation (NSF) funded research project dubbed the “Emerald Tutu” to see if these mats that resemble a ballerina’s tutu can help stave off coastal flooding and sea level rise in the neighborhood.

After a year of testing the mat in Eastie exceeded Hopkins expectations. Hopkins said the mats tested grew “so much vegetation” and her research team didn’t expect as much grass or seaweed to grow.

“We didn’t realize it would colonize that easily and that much,” she said.

The floating biomass, with marsh grass above the waterline and sinewy seaweed below, dampens incoming wave energy and retards storm surge in order to reduce crisis flooding ashore.

Based on the initial results, the research team is looking to design and implement biomass-based coastal protection infrastructure all around Eastie’s waterfront.

The goal is to have a floating network of in-

terconnected, anchored massive organic growing modules dampens wave energy and reduces flooding, storm damage, and erosion on shore while improving nearshore water quality. These biomass modules are seeded with marsh grass at the surface, and are home to many seaweeds below the waterline, all of which add significant mass and frictional surface area and provide habitat for many types of creatures, human and non-human.

“But it also draws people down to the coastline in fair weather; its green landscapes and floating pathways enable public access to new waterfronts,” said Hopkins.

Eastie and other coastal neighborhoods in the city already see some flooding, including on sunny days, and some new properties are being developed to adapt. Massachusetts had the third highest number of affordable housing units under threat of coastal flooding in the nation, according to a Climate Central analysis released last year.

An alarming report from a UN panel warns that the next two decades will bring more damaging floods, worsening droughts and more dangerous heat waves.

Adaptive infrastructure that absorbs tidal energy

from rising seas is considered a crucial way to adjust to life as climate change makes the world hotter and wetter and threatens waterfront communities.

According to the project team’s website they drew influence from landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted’s 1,100-acre connected park system in Boston known as the Emerald Necklace. Olmsted envisioned the park system in Boston as a collective space where inhabitants of the crowded, chaotic city could find healthy activity and mental solace. A series of pleasant public spaces brought nature back to the city, where it could be enjoyed by all.

A byproduct of the Emerald Necklace is that it solved major drainage challenges of an industrializing city, and it integrated transit while balancing residential development.

According to the team the goal of the Emerald Tutu in Eastie is to provide a climate resilience infrastructure solution that is deployable, flexible, inexpensive, green, non-invasive, and a joy to experience.

“As is abundantly clear in our era, “gray infrastructure” coastal barriers and other traditional coastal engineering approaches are ineffective and even harmful, both ecologically



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and economically,” said the research team. “Civil infrastructure for climate resilience should be acces-

sible to all people, encouraging everyday use and environmental benefits as well as protection during catastrophic storms. Fur-

thermore, it should economically empower local populations during its implementation and upkeep.”

Chelsea man arraigned for cocaine trafficking, guns possession and domestic assault

A Chelsea man was arraigned after a call for a domestic disturbance in which a bullet was fired into a neighboring apartment resulted in the seizure of firearms and more than a kilo of cocaine, District Attorney Kevin Hayden said.

David Ellis, 48, was arraigned Wednesday in Chelsea District Court on two counts each of unlawful possession of a firearm and improper storage of a firearm and one count each of trafficking in 200 or more grams of cocaine, discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building, assault and battery on a family or household member and unlawful possession of ammunition. At the request of Assistant District Attorney Daniel Addady, Judge SallyAnn Janulevicus ordered Ellis held pending the outcome of a dangerousness hear-

ing.

Chelsea Police responded to a Winnisimmet Street apartment yesterday (August 16) for a report of a domestic disturbance. During the incident, a gun was fired from inside Ellis’ apartment; the bullet traveled through the wall of a neighboring apartment and lodged in an adjacent wall. Fortunately, no one in the neighboring apartment was struck.

Upon their arrival at the address, officers met with Ellis. He was placed in handcuffs while officers conducted a sweep of the apartment. Inside the apartment, officers met with a woman who had visible facial injuries. She was transported by ambulance to an area hospital.

Officers secured the apartment and obtained a warrant to search the residence. That search led to the discovery of a kilo

of cocaine and multiple smaller bags of cocaine, hallucinogenic mushrooms, a Taurus 9 mm handgun loaded with five rounds of ammunition, a second magazine for the handgun containing eight rounds of ammunition, an Aero precision model rifle, 77 additional rounds of ammunition and a ballistic vest.

“The presence of a gun during a domestic incident dramatically increases the chances of someone getting injured or killed. It is incredibly fortunate that no one was struck by the bullet fired during this incident,” Hayden said. “We’re also thankful that the substantial quantity of drugs present in the apartment never made it onto the streets of Chelsea or any other community.”

Ellis returns to court August 24 for a dangerousness hearing.

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Annual festival honoring healing Saints Cosmas and Damian set for Sept. 9-11

Rock & Roll, Vocal, and Grammy® Halls Fame Artist, The Platters will host fellow international headline recording artists The Trammps, Chubby Checker & The Wildcats, and Starship featuring Mickey Thomas at the 97th edition of the Italian Culture, Family, and Food Festival honoring the Italian healing Saints Cosmas and Damian on Cambridge, Warren and Porter Streets in East Cambridge, the weekend of September 9, 10, and 11, 2022.

The three-day fun family event features a wide variety of sweet and savory food, a “Beer Garden” sponsored by Anheuser-Bush, and music that spans four decades of dance, pop, and rock kicks off Friday at 6 p.m. when Saints Cosmas and Damian accompanied

by members of the fraternal Society, the North End Marching Band, and the faithful process from their permanent home at 17 Porter Street in East Cambridge to the outdoor chapel overlooking the festival concourse on Warren Street. At 7 p.m., a special healing service with the holy relics of Saints Cosmas and Damian led by Monsignor Anthony Spinosa (formerly from East Cambridge) from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon will take place.

At 7:30 p.m., teleport with Morning Magic co-host David O’Leary (MAGIC 106.7 FM) and Club Classic DJ Ricky P. (former STAR FM) at the Warren Street Stage and dance under the stars to the hottest club classics along with an exceptional

live performance by disco greats The Trammps (Disco Inferno, Hold Back the Night, That’s Where the Happy People Go, Zing Went The Strings Of My Heart...). On Friday, be “where all the happy people go” at the outdoor “Warren Street Disco,” where partiers can also take a shot at walking away with a \$500.00 grand cash prize at a Throwback Disco Dance Contest.

On Saturday, the festivities begin at 1 p.m. as the savory aromas of pizza, fried dough, Italian sausages, peppers, Zeppole’s, and much more permeate the air around Cambridge, Porter, and Warren Streets, along with continual live entertainment.

Beginning at 7 p.m., the Feast area expands to include the Cambridge Street Stage igniting an

evening of song and dance as festival attendees rock through the decades as they twist the night away with the legendary Chubby Checker & The Wildcats (Twist, Let’s Twist Again, Limbo Rock, The Hucklebuck...), and rock on with the architects of the city built on Rock & Roll, Starship featuring Mickey Thomas, jamming to their mega hits that include We Built This City, Nothings Gonna Stop Us, Sara, It’s Not Over. Between Checker and Starship, they’ll be a special surprise Rock & Roll Hall of Fame performance taking concertgoers on a musical journey through the decades of music from the 50s to today. Around the corner on the Warren Street Stage, New England’s favorite party group, Vinyl Groove,

performs with continuous dancing under the stars.

The grand finale of the Feast on Sunday begins at 10 a.m. with Boston Auxiliary Bishop Peter Uglietto as the principal celebrant of a Mass in honor of the Healing Saints Cosmas and Damian on the Warren Street Stage. At 1 p.m., the grand procession with the Saints, accompanied by the North End Marching Band, St. Alfio’s Marching Band, and the award-winning Everett High School Marching Band under the direction of Gene O’Brien, winds through the streets of East Cambridge and Somerville.

Local favorites Stephen Savio’s Seabreeze and Smokin’ Joe and his band entertain throughout the day as the food and fun flow through the

streets. The parade arrives back on Warren Street at 7 pm for a welcome back celebration featuring a confetti shower followed by a LIVE performance in honor of the Saints by The Platters (Only You, Great Pretender, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Twilight Time...) performing their classic hits, some old Italian classics selected and arranged specifically for this celebration including a sneak preview of new music being added to the Great American soundtrack by the group in more than six decades later this year.

For Feast and vendor information, call (617)-407-1256 or visit www.cosmas-and-damian.org.

“Emerald Tutu” floating biomass may help Eastie against sea level rise

By John Lynds

Last year, coastal engineer and professor, Julia Hopkins led a team to place a floating biomass mat off the shores of East Boston.

The mat tested were part of a larger National Science Foundation (NSF) funded research project dubbed the “Emerald Tutu” to see if these mats that resemble a ballerina’s tutu can help stave off coastal flooding and sea level rise in the neighborhood.

After a year of testing the mat in Eastie exceeded Hopkins expectations. Hopkins said the mats tested grew “so much vegetation” and her research team didn’t expect as much grass or seaweed to grow.

“We didn’t realize it would colonize that easily and that much,” she said.

The floating biomass, with marsh grass above the waterline and sinewy seaweed below, dampens incoming wave energy and retards storm surge in order to reduce crisis flooding ashore.

Based on the initial results, the research team is looking to design and implement biomass-based coastal protection infrastructure all around Eastie’s waterfront.

The goal is to have a floating network of in-

terconnected, anchored massive organic growing modules dampens wave energy and reduces flooding, storm damage, and erosion on shore while improving nearshore water quality. These biomass modules are seeded with marsh grass at the surface, and are home to many seaweeds below the waterline, all of which add significant mass and frictional surface area and provide habitat for many types of creatures, human and non-human.

“But it also draws people down to the coastline in fair weather; its green landscapes and floating pathways enable public access to new waterfronts,” said Hopkins.

Eastie and other coastal neighborhoods in the city already see some flooding, including on sunny days, and some new properties are being developed to adapt. Massachusetts had the third highest number of affordable housing units under threat of coastal flooding in the nation, according to a Climate Central analysis released last year.

An alarming report from a UN panel warns that the next two decades will bring more damaging floods, worsening droughts and more dangerous heat waves.

Adaptive infrastructure that absorbs tidal energy

from rising seas is considered a crucial way to adjust to life as climate change makes the world hotter and wetter and threatens waterfront communities.

According to the project team’s website they drew influence from landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted’s 1,100-acre connected park system in Boston known as the Emerald Necklace. Olmsted envisioned the park system in Boston as a collective space where inhabitants of the crowded, chaotic city could find healthy activity and mental solace. A series of pleasant public spaces brought nature back to the city, where it could be enjoyed by all.

A byproduct of the Emerald Necklace is that it solved major drainage challenges of an industrializing city, and it integrated transit while balancing residential development.

According to the team the goal of the Emerald Tutu in Eastie is to provide a climate resilience infrastructure solution that is deployable, flexible, inexpensive, green, non-invasive, and a joy to experience.

“As is abundantly clear in our era, “gray infrastructure” coastal barriers and other traditional coastal engineering approaches are ineffective and even harmful, both ecologically



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and economically,” said the research team. “Civil infrastructure for climate resilience should be acces-

sible to all people, encouraging everyday use and environmental benefits as well as protection during catastrophic storms. Fur-

thermore, it should economically empower local populations during its implementation and upkeep.”

Chelsea man arraigned for cocaine trafficking, guns possession and domestic assault

A Chelsea man was arraigned after a call for a domestic disturbance in which a bullet was fired into a neighboring apartment resulted in the seizure of firearms and more than a kilo of cocaine, District Attorney Kevin Hayden said.

DAVID ELLIS, 48, was arraigned today in Chelsea District Court on two counts each of unlawful possession of a firearm and improper storage of a firearm and one count each of trafficking in 200 or more grams of cocaine, discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building, assault and battery on a family or household member and unlawful possession of ammunition. At the request of Assistant District Attorney Daniel Addady, Judge SallyAnn Janulevicus ordered Ellis held pending the outcome of a dangerousness hear-

ing.

Chelsea Police responded to a Winnisimmet Street apartment yesterday (August 16) for a report of a domestic disturbance. During the incident, a gun was fired from inside Ellis’ apartment; the bullet traveled through the wall of a neighboring apartment and lodged in an adjacent wall. Fortunately, no one in the neighboring apartment was struck.

Upon their arrival at the address, officers met with Ellis. He was placed in handcuffs while officers conducted a sweep of the apartment. Inside the apartment, officers met with a woman who had visible facial injuries. She was transported by ambulance to an area hospital.

Officers secured the apartment and obtained a warrant to search the residence. That search led to the discovery of a kilo

of cocaine and multiple smaller bags of cocaine, hallucinogenic mushrooms, a Taurus 9 mm handgun loaded with five rounds of ammunition, a second magazine for the handgun containing eight rounds of ammunition, an Aero precision model rifle, 77 additional rounds of ammunition and a ballistic vest.

“The presence of a gun during a domestic incident dramatically increases the chances of someone getting injured or killed. It is incredibly fortunate that no one was struck by the bullet fired during this incident,” Hayden said. “We’re also thankful that the substantial quantity of drugs present in the apartment never made it onto the streets of Chelsea or any other community.”

Ellis returns to court August 24 for a dangerousness hearing.

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New Raspberry Rally Girl Scout Cookie joins lineup for 2023 season nationwide

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts (GSEMA) and Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) announced that the new Raspberry Rally cookie will join its nationwide lineup for the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season. The thin, crispy cookie is a “sister” cookie to the beloved Thin Mints®, infused with raspberry flavor instead of mint and dipped in the same delicious chocolaty coating.

Raspberry Rally gives devoted Girl Scout Cookie lovers yet another reason to be excited for the upcoming cookie season. This must-have new cookie will be the first in the Girl Scout Cookie lineup to be exclusively offered for online sale and direct shipment only, enhancing girls’ e-commerce sales and entrepreneurial skills. Raspberry Rally will be available to consumers nationally during the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season.



son. Girl Scouts in eastern Massachusetts and across the United States will offer the Raspberry Rally cookie next season alongside favorites like Thin Mints®, Adventurefuls™ and Caramel deLites®.

Cookie season is an exciting annual event for Girl Scouts across the nation. Proceeds raised from in-person and online cookie orders directly benefit local councils and troops. When Girl Scouts

run their own cookie business, they are a part of the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world. Girl Scouts learn leadership, problem-solving, and community building through the Girl Scout Cookie Program, resulting in an invaluable experience that cultivates an innovative, entrepreneurial spirit.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program encourages girls to be risk takers, to think

outside of the box, and to be confident in their own abilities. Whether they’re working toward earning their Cookie Goal Setter badge as a Daisy or their My Cookie Business Resume badge as an Ambassador, Girl Scouts are learning qualities crucial for all forms of leadership and life-skills. The program embraces the understanding of the world of business, money management, and entrepre-

neurship. Cookie Business badges range anywhere from goal setting to learning effective in-person and online sales pitches, using market research, creating business plans, and implementing digital marketing campaigns.

Available nationwide, every purchase of the online-exclusive Raspberry Rally cookie supports local Girl Scouts who are helping make our world a better place. Let’s come together to celebrate the young change-makers who are solving problems and learning new skills—one box of cookies at a time.

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts kicks off cookie season on Tuesday, December 6, 2022; visit www.girlscoutcookies.org to sign up to be notified as soon as Raspberry Rally and other Girl Scout Cookies are on sale.

For more information

on Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, please visit their website, www.gsema.org, or follow their social media channels, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, for the latest updates on the organization.

About Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts

Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts (GSEMA) is 31,500 strong, with 20,000 girls and 11,500 volunteers in 178 communities in eastern Massachusetts, building girl scouts of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. GSEMA is the largest girl serving organization in Massachusetts and the 9th largest Girl Scout council in the United States. Girl Scouts is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls. To volunteer, reconnect, donate, join, or learn more, visit gsema.org.

Milestone in criminal justice data collection initiative

The Baker-Polito Administration announced a major milestone in an unprecedented effort to standardize data collection and information sharing across the Commonwealth’s criminal justice system. Conceived as part of the 2018 Criminal Justice Reform (CJR) law signed by Governor Charlie Baker, the data-driven initiative known as the Cross Tracking System is designed to improve data quality, enhance transparency, and inform public policy. To expand public access to the newly integrated data, the Administration launched a new online dashboard, which now provides population metrics from state and county correctional agencies.

The initial dataset consolidates 9.4 million records submitted by the Massachusetts Department of Correction (DOC) and 14 County Sheriff Offices dating back five years to January 2017. The dashboard empowers users to distinguish between pre-trial and sentenced populations and visualize demographic subsets of the populations by sex, race-ethnicity, and age. The public can view organized aggregated data and download datasets for in-

dependent study.

“The Cross Tracking System reflects our administration’s commitment to improve criminal justice outcomes through inter-agency information sharing, data-driven policies, and transparent decision making,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “We appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with our partners in the courts and across state and county government and their commitment to improved data standardization, collection, and reporting. Enhanced access to quality data will help us to better serve the community and advance the principles of a more fair and effective criminal justice system.”

“Our Administration recognizes the importance of the Cross Tracking tool to study individual and system-wide outcomes of justice involved individuals,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. “This important resource will create new opportunities for stakeholders, advocates, legislators, and system-decision-makers to convene around accurate and complete data and develop effective solutions for emerging issues.”

The 2018 criminal justice law mandated the

Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS), in coordination with the Executive Office of Technology Services and Security (EOTSS), to create a standardized data collection and cross tracking system for criminal justice agencies and the Trial Court. The system was designed to provide a streamlined, 360-degree view of an individual engaged with the criminal justice system by assigning them a statewide identification number, which follows that individual from the point of arrest to entry into a custodial institution and eventual release to parole supervision.

The integrated system required the development of uniform data collection and reporting standards across a broad range of agencies and independent constitutional offices. EOPSS promulgated regulations to establish consistent data definitions, define the governance framework, develop outline integration requirements, and support technology, and develop operational and implementation procedures. In addition to EOPSS, EOTSS and the custodial agencies, other contributors include the Trial Court, Massachusetts

Probation Service, Massachusetts Parole Board, the Office of the Attorney General, the District Attorneys, and state and local police departments. Additionally, the Justice Reinvestment Policy Oversight Board and numerous criminal justice advocacy groups provided valuable insight and guidance.

“It is difficult to overstate the scope and immense complexity of this groundbreaking project. The publication of this data tool marks the culmination of an intense process that required remarkable levels of engagement and participation from countless stakeholders,” said Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy. “On behalf of EOPSS, I wish to extend our sincere gratitude to the many agencies and participants who continue to support the state’s efforts to bring this ambitious project to fruition. Our shared commitment to advancing a more fair, just, and transparent criminal justice system and a generous spirit of collaboration continues to make this initiative possible.”

“The reporting of standardized and consistent information across criminal justice agencies will

provide vital insight into criminal justice trends, identify gaps in treatment needs for system-involved individuals, and support overall improved efficiencies and outcomes of the justice system agencies,” said Kerry Collins, undersecretary for forensic science and technology at the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security. “I commend the collaboration and partnership demonstrated by countless participants who have played an instrumental role with the implementation of this ambitious and vital initiative.”

“I often say that vision without data is a hallucination. By improving the collection of criminal justice data across the Commonwealth, the Cross Tracking System brings us one step closer to our shared vision of a more equitable justice system,” said Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian. “This is another example of Massachusetts leading the nation to help incarcerated individuals, their loved ones, and system stakeholders at all levels. While we still have work ahead of us, I want to thank all those who have worked tirelessly on the Cross Tracking System and the profound impact it will likely have.”

“The Department of Correction has prioritized Cross Tracking because we recognize the opportunity as an integral part of our rehabilitative mission

to enhance our ongoing efforts to develop personalized treatment plans,” DOC Commissioner Carol Mici said. “As many entrusted to the care of our state facilities have previous involvement in the criminal justice system, Cross Tracking will make these comprehensive histories readily available to our team of skilled programming, clinical, and correctional professionals. I commend the broad range of partner agencies across the Commonwealth who made the first phase of this dashboard possible.”

EOPSS developed a three-phased approach to achieve the CJR mandate. Phase One established regulations and consolidated correctional data from the DOC and county sheriffs, which culminated in the launch of the online dashboard. Phase Two will improve data flow between partner agency record management systems. Finally, Phase Three will incorporate comprehensive criminal justice data provided by the Trial Court, Probation, Parole, State and Local Police Departments (e.g., bail, dispositions, offenses, demographics, and recidivism). The public data platform will also expand to include real-time information and statutory data fields about governing offenses (date, time, location, admission/release dates, etc.).

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, September 13, 2022
Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m.
With reference to the application of:
John Sclaro
For Special Permit and Variances seeking approval to construct a 2nd story addition, which does not meet the current minimum requirements for side yard setback, front yard setback, and required parking spaces at the premises known as:
8 Wesley Street
A copy of the application and petition is available for review at:
City Clerk's Office during normal business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon
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NOTICE OF HEARING
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Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m.
With reference to the application of:

Lorraine T. Brown
For Variance seeking approval to sub-divide the lot containing a single family dwelling structure with the proposed annexed land to be combined with the property known as 13 Bell Street which does not meet the current minimum lot size requirement at the premises known as: 519 Washington Avenue
A copy of the application and petition is available for review at:
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
Premises: 3 Suffolk Street, Chelsea, Massachusetts
By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Segunda Lopez and Adelsa A. Lopez to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for New Fed Mortgage Corp., said mortgage dated May 27, 2021, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, in Book 65568 at Page 30 and now held by NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing by virtue of an assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for New Fed Mortgage Corp., its successors to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing dated March 23, 2022 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, in Book 67363 at Page 80, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on September 26, 2022 at 11:00 AM Local Time


upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon numbered 3 Suffolk Street in said Chelsea, being shown on said Plan of Land in the City of Chelsea dated August 26, 1967, by A. Cruciolo (R.L.S.) recorded in Book 8144, Page 136.
NORTHEASTERLY: by Suffolk Street, as shown on said plan, twenty-two and 7/10 (22.7) feet; NORTHWESTERLY: by a partition wall as shown on said plan, forty-nine (49) feet;
SOUTHWESTERLY: by land now or formerly of Eva Jamiolkowski as shown on said plan, twenty-two and 7/10 (22.7) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY: by a land now or formerly of Hazel Escott as shown on said plan forty-nine (49) feet.
Containing according to said plan, 1112 square feet more or less.
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For Mortgagors' Title see deed dated May 27, 2021, and recorded in Book 65568 at Page 27 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds.
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Request for Proposals for HEARTWAP PROGRAM
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To request a proposal package contact Aicha Idhsaine at (617) 884-6130 x1107. To be considered for selection all proposal packages MUST be received by CAPIC, 100 Everett Avenue, Unit 14, Chelsea, MA 02150 by 4 PM on Friday, September 23, 2022. This notice is subject in all respects to the Terms and Conditions of the Request for Proposal package. Minority contractors are encouraged to apply.

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CITY OF CHELSEA
INVITATION FOR BIDS
EMERGENCY GENERATOR

MAINTENANCE, TESTING AND REPAIR SERVICES
The City of Chelsea Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking sealed bids to provide Emergency Generator Maintenance, Testing and Repair Services
Invitation for Bid documents are available on or after August 18, 2022 by contacting Dragica Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at divanis@chelseama.gov or by visiting the City's website at http://www.chelseama.gov/purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Emergency Generator Maintenance, Testing and Repair Services" and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, City Hall, Room 204, Chelsea, Massachusetts no later than 10:00AM, Thursday, September 1, 2019.
The City of Chelsea reserves the right to accept any bid, to reject and/or all bids and to waive minor irregularities and/or formalities as it deems to be in the best interest of the City.
In accordance with our Minority Business Enterprise Plan, we are inviting all qualified women and minority business firms to respond.
The City of Chelsea is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
This invitation for bid is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapters 149 & 30, s. 39M.
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CITY OF CHELSEA
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Financial Advisory Services
The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through

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Dragica Ivanis
Chief Procurement Officer
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
Docket No. SU21P1455GD
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114
In the interests Of: Isaias Rios-Ramos
Of: Chelsea, MA

Minor
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 07/06/2021 by Susana Villanueva of Chelsea, MA will be held 09/14/2022 09:00 AM
Guardian of. Minor Hearing
Located at 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114
You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing.
If you choose to file a written response, you need to:
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Date: August 3, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate

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Re:
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Naomi Libran
Licensing Administrator
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
Docket No. SU21P1456GD
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114
In the interests Of: Vincente Rios-Ramos
Of: Chelsea, MA
Minor
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
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A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 07/06/2021 by Susana Villanueva of Chelsea, MA will be held 09/14/2022 09:00 AM
Guardian of. Minor Hearing
Located at 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114
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LET IT FLY REIGNS AGAIN AS A SUPER SUCCESS

If the Let It Fly Classic is not the ‘best in the nation’, then someone please show me a better-run, better-enjoyed summertime high school basketball tournament in the USA.

Co-Directors Kyle Umemba and Cesar Castro once again put Chelsea on the basketball map, with the seventh annual Let It Fly Classic drawing a capacity crowd to the Chelsea High gymnasium.

“It was the biggest turnout that we’ve ever had,” said Kyle. “The stands were packed. It was amazing. A big shoutout to the Chelsea Police, who did a

great job.”

The Juice Crew, sponsored by Katz Bakery, won the high school division title. Score For More took home the middle school crown.

Nationally ranked player Tre Norman was the high school MVP. No. 1-ranked eighth grader AJ Dybantsa was the middle school MVP.

Directors Umemba and Castro are compiling a list of all the sponsors and key supporters that they would like to thank – perhaps none bigger than Kyle’s mother, CBC President Joan Cromwell, whose

Brown Sugar catering may have been the only thing that surpassed the excellence of the performances on the basketball court.

City Manager Thomas Ambrosino, Police Chief Brian Kyes, Supt. of Schools Dr. Almi Abeyta, Schools Equity, Diversity, and Excellence Officer Dr. Aaron Jennings, and Suffolk County DA Kevin Hayden were among the dignitaries in attendance.

Stay tuned for more tournament photos and the thank-you list in next week’s edition.



Two former junior high school basketball greats, Melvin Willie Brown, the dynamic backcourtman from Williams School, and Jimmy Robinson, the dazzling outside shooter and playmaker from Carter School.



The co-directors of the Let It Fly Classic, Kyle Umemba and Cesar Castro.



Let It Fly Classic Co-Director Kyle Umemba (right) and City Councilor Calvin Brown (third from right) welcome players to Chelsea for the tournament.



The Juice Crew, one of the top teams in the high school division in the Let It Fly Classic.



A Chelsea contingent of supporters of Let It Fly is pictured at Saturday’s tournament at the Saul Nechtem Gymnasium.



City Councilor Calvin Brown, Kenneth Umemba, and Charlie Kern are pictured at the Let It Fly Classic Saturday at Chelsea High School.



The Chelsea Police Department has been an outstanding supporter of the Let It Fly Classic throughout the tournament’s seven-year history. Pictured at Saturday’s tournament are Police Officer David Delaney, Police Chief Brian Kyes, and Police Officer David Batchelor Jr.



Let It Fly Classic Kyle Umemba (center), with his brother, Kingsley Umemba (left) and Mannix Resto Jr. (right).

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Pictured at the welcoming table for the Let It Fly Classic are Maureen Lee, School Committee member Roberto Jimenez Rivera, Eula Balloon, Councilor-at-Large Damali Vidot, Beverly Martin-Ross, Cykrie Collins, Nicole McKoy, and former Pope John basketball star Mekhi Collins.

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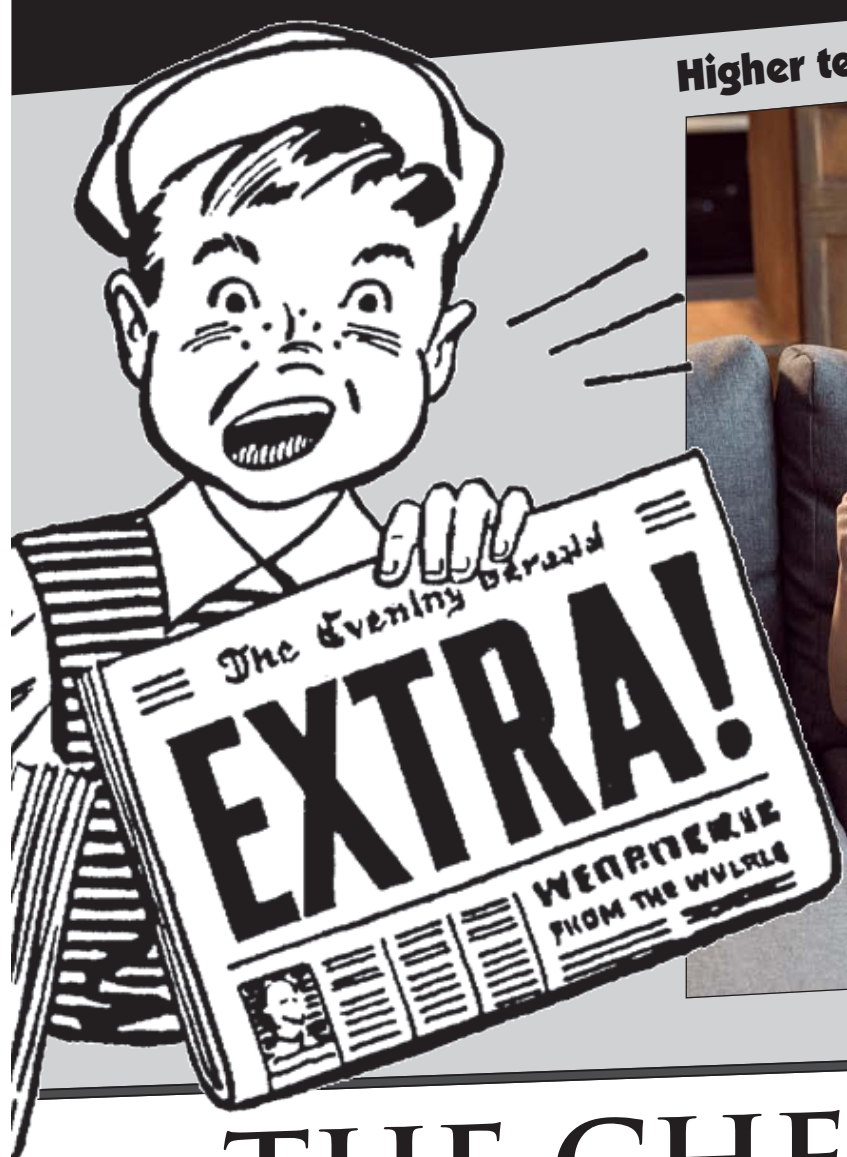
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FRESH AND LOCAL

August tomatoes

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

With the arrival of gorgeous summer tomatoes, we suggest you save all those recipes that have you cooking tomatoes for fall and winter. Grab a sharp knife and cutting board, and supper is underway. If you can chop, slice, wedge, or dice a tomato, you can turn this ripe, red bounty from local farms into terrific menu items.

Summer is the season of local tomato glory when we pop pints of cherry tomatoes like candy and slice slabs of giant heirloom tomatoes to present on a platter as a side dish. A sprinkle of sea salt and a grind of fresh pepper is all they need to shine. And, perhaps, local August tomatoes are really meant to be eaten out of hand, over the sink, with the juices running off your chin.

Tomato Sandwiches

August is the month to enjoy BLTs. We also love

avocados, lettuce, and tomatoes. Sometimes we switch out the bacon for cheese. This year we've been making that with the flavored Farmers Cheese Spreads from local cheesemaker Fromagerie Madeline at the Copley Square Farmers Market. Their seasonal selection includes plain, Everything Bagel, Garlic, Spinach Dip, Italian Herb, Dill, and Sriracha Hot Pepper. Slather a good slice of bread with the one that most appeals to you and top it with slices of tomatoes from a local farm.

In Provence, they have a whole-meal sandwich called Pan Bagnat. You should prepare it ahead, so it's perfect for entertaining or picnics. This sandwich is a great way to use slightly overripe tomatoes since you want the juices to soak into the bread. We like making it with big, round loaves of country bread.

Stuffing, Soup, and Salads

You can create an attractive main course by hollowing out beautiful heirloom tomatoes and filling them with something delicious. For example, you can use the innards of your hollow tomatoes with mozzarella cubes, halved cherry tomatoes, and basil for a fresh take on a Caprese salad. We have also seen tomatoes stuffed with crab, tuna, or bean salads.

Gazpacho is another way to enjoy a relaxed, no-cook supper. This Spanish soup makes a great contribution to a potluck or picnic. Your food processor or blender will do most of the work. Still, we recommend you hand-cut a lovely selection of toppings like colorful cherry tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, and red onions. You can stray from the classic and add corn, crabmeat, or chunks of avocado.

You might create salads where the tomato is



Toast slathered with herbed Farmers Cheese Spread from Fromagerie Madeline and topped with slices of colorful cherry tomatoes was a perfect farmers market day treat.

the star rather than a supporting cast member. Fill a platter with slices, chunks, and wedges of the best tomatoes you can find. Dress them with a tasty vinaigrette and top with some fresh herbs and perhaps something salty like capers or bits of bacon or ham.

We have a favorite salad that is simply arugula topped with fresh tomatoes that are chopped and marinated in oil, vinegar, and herbs for an hour or so. Some cooks recommend peeling and deseeding the tomatoes for this dish, but we enjoy this simpler version.

One final reminder, never refrigerate a tomato. Preserve the flavor of your fresh tomatoes by keeping them on the kitchen counter or in your fruit bowl. Buy what you will use quickly and shop for them often while they are in season.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

MGC releases July 2022 Gross Gaming Revenue

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission reported that the month of July 2022 at Plainridge Park Casino (PPC), MGM Springfield and Encore Boston Harbor generated approximately \$99 million in Gross Gaming Revenue (GGR). PPC, a category 2 slots

facility, is taxed on 49% of GGR. Of that total taxed amount, 82% is paid to Local Aid and 18% is allotted to the Race Horse Development Fund. MGM Springfield and Encore Boston Harbor, category 1 resort-casinos, are taxed on 25% of GGR; those monies are allocat-

ed to several specific state funds as determined by the gaming statute. To date, the Commonwealth has collected approximately \$1.155 billion in total taxes and assessments from PPC, MGM and Encore since the respective openings of each gaming facility.

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	SLOTS	\$17,275,318.86	
	TOTAL	\$21,517,722.46	
ENCORE BOSTON HARBOR SUBJECT TO 25% TAXES	TABLE	\$29,672,721.61	\$16,181,157.07
	SLOTS	\$35,051,906.67	
	TOTAL	\$64,724,628.28	
PLAINRIDGE PARK CASINO SUBJECT TO 49% TAXES	SLOTS	\$12,498,196.15	\$6,124,116.11
	TOTAL	\$12,498,196.15	
TOTAL TAXES		\$27,684,703.80	

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