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The underpinning theme and goal of the conference was to elevate the voices of individuals with lived food insecurity experience. In valuing the importance of continued engagement with neighbors most directly impacted, Donnette McManus, a client advocate at GBFB’s partner agency Catholic Charities in Brockton, was invited to be one of the leading voices on the panel.

“Food is part of the cycle that fuels everything we do,” said Donnette McManus. “The Greater Boston Food Bank, its partners, and the front-line food pantry workers and volunteers give my family the fuel we need to not only consume nutritious foods, but also the desire to serve so that our legacy will be an example of breaking the chain of food insecurities in our community and beyond.”

The power of collaboration was also a theme during the conversation, and it was repeatedly stated that government cannot do it all – they will need bi-partisan and private partnerships to achieve their goals.

Senator DiDomenico has been a longtime ally of The Greater Boston Food Bank, successfully working with the organization, along with other community organizations to secure anti-hunger funding. Some of his legislative achievements secured this year include universal free school meals throughout Massachusetts, increased funding for the Massachusetts Emergency Food Assistance Program, creating a common application to increase access to SNAP benefits, and increased cash assistance for families living in poverty. DiDomenico will continue to work with all these part-



Sen. Sal DiDomenico (fourth from left) along with other participants of the Greater Boston Food Bank event.

ners to advance legislation until food and nutrition insecurity are eliminated in

Massachusetts.

Those in need of food assistance are encouraged

to visit GBFB.org/need food, where they can find a list of resources and

search for a food program by zip code.

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sponsive to the concerns of its residents, and that the new project will provide needed affordable housing in Chelsea.

“It’s an amazing project on the Chelsea Greenway,” said GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni. With its creation of public green space and access to public transportation, she said the city couldn’t ask for a better development.

“My administration

fully supports this project,” said City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. “Affordable housing, in my opinion, is the number one crisis that is facing the community, and that has been the case for several years now. This project directly addresses it by supplying 60-plus affordable units adjacent to public transportation; from the city’s perspective, this is an excellent project.”

In other business, sev-

eral larger projects were continued to the ZBA’s Nov. 1 meeting.

A 114,000-square-foot light manufacturing and warehouse facility is being proposed at 295 Eastern Ave.

At 320 Revere Beach Parkway, the GVLP Corporation is looking to partially demolish and renovate the existing two-story building to build a retail marijuana facility.

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City Councilors Melinda Vega Maldonado and Damali Vidot requested the commission look into placing a speed table near 32 Franklin Ave., and Councilor Tanairi Garcia requested a stop sign be placed on the corner of Parker Street and Clark Avenue and Cary and Clark Avenue.

Mammolette noted that there are a number of areas in the city that could potentially use stop signs.

“I’ve obviously been doing a lot of driving around the city over the last several months, and there are a number of places where I feel like there should be a stop sign and I find myself stopping

without even thinking to look for the sign because I just feel I would be more safe if I stopped at this moment,” he said. “I would say we would like a chance to go out and look at this one specifically.”

Mammolette said the traffic commission would take up the request again at its next meeting.

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to the slope,” he said. “Essentially, this is a road in one particular stretch that requires a retaining wall to keep the road from falling into the backyards, so it already suffers from the misplacement of its layout.”

In addition, there is any area where there is a stretch where there is no sidewalk, and cars potentially park on the retaining wall area, which could create a hazard if the retaining wall is not built with the intention of bearing vehicles.

“Allowing cars to park there ... is something we

should eliminate,” said Mammolette. “One solution might be to construct a sidewalk to reconnect the pedestrian pathway and allow parking to be inside the curb, just like any other street with parking on both sides of the street, and to convert the street from two-way travel to one-way travel.”

Like many of the narrower neighborhood streets in the city, Mammolette said it is nearly impossible for two cars to travel down the road on either side when there is parking on both sides of the street.

He suggested the traffic commission, public works, and the community development department work together to try to understand the traffic flow through the streets in the neighborhood to make that plan happen. Any changes would also need input from the police and fire departments to make sure there were not any negative public safety impacts.

In addition, Mammolette said the city would need a professional engineering evaluation of the area before any changes were proposed or made.

NEWS IN BRIEF

MASSDEP REGULATION CHANGES START NOV 1

MassDEP is implementing new solid waste regulations starting Nov 1. Mattresses (including box springs) and textiles (clothing, bedding, towels, shoes, etc.) are no longer able to be disposed of in incinerators or landfills. Instead they must be sent to facilities that can recycle or reuse them.

The City of Chelsea is contracting with a company called Helpsy that will do curbside pickup of textiles and a company called HandUp US that will recycle mattresses. Free curbside collection of mattresses and box-springs will be available for residents who receive municipal trash services while those with private trash service should contact their provider. Residents will be able to call Chelsea 3-1-1 to schedule a pickup.

FALL FESTIVAL OCTOBER 14

The City, in conjunction with GreenRoots and the Mystic River Watershed Association, will hold a Fall Festival to kick off the design of the Chelsea St. Bridge Waterfront Park this Friday, October 14, from 3 pm to 5 pm. Join us to share your ideas for this open space.

Location: 15 Eastern Ave.

La Ciudad, junto con GreenRoots y Mystic River Watershed Association, llevará a cabo un Festival de Otoño para inaugurar el diseño del parque frente a la bahía junto al Chelsea St. Bridge este viernes 14

de octubre de 3:00 pm a 5:00 pm. Participe para compartir sus ideas para este espacio abierto.

Ubicación: 15 Eastern Ave.

CAMBRIDGE HALF MARATHON AT CAMBRIDGESIDE

Cambridge Half Marathon at CambridgeSide will take place on Sunday, November 6 (race begins 7:00 a.m. EST). The 13.1-mile USATF certified course starts and finishes at CambridgeSide. This beautiful and scenic course route features MIT, John W. Weeks Footbridge, Harvard Stadium, Charles River, Harvard Square and more. Registration is currently \$125 per person and includes a quarter zip pullover, a race bib with a timing chip and more. Team signups are encouraged. Register at CambridgeSide.com.

Cambridge Half Marathon race proceeds benefit Cambridge Camping (CambridgeCamping.org), City of Cambridge Scholarship Fund (Cambridgema.gov/Services/CityScholarship) and other local charities.

“CambridgeSide has been a gift to Cambridge Camping in so many ways. Their commitment to the community and helping others comes through in everything they do to bring people to Cambridge, to show off our fabulous City and give back; they always give back! We are honored to be a beneficiary of this annual event, their support will help hundreds of children attend summer camp, who otherwise would not have that opportunity,” states Sharon Zimmer-

man, Co-Executive Director for Cambridge Camping.

“CambridgeSide is excited about the upcoming Cambridge Half Marathon and raising much needed funds for local Cambridge charities. The Cambridge Half Marathon features a flat and fast course with scenic views and is a great day for all involved,” says Melissa LaVita, Regional Marketing Director for CambridgeSide.

The reimaged CambridgeSide is a place to shop, dine, work, indulge and relax in Cambridge, MA, just steps from downtown Boston. CambridgeSide features one great waterfront location with shops, restaurants and planned future office, lab, residential and additional retail, restaurants, and green spaces. CambridgeSide’s mix of retailers includes Apple, Superdry, Sephora, T.J. Maxx and more. The diverse mix of restaurants includes The Cheesecake Factory, in addition to over 14 other eateries. GoPixelYourself is a new selfie museum featuring an immersive video experience. CambridgeSide is located near top tourism attractions including the Museum of Science and Charles Riverboat. CambridgeSide is handicapped and MBTA accessible (Green Line T to Lechmere Station or Red Line T to Kendall Square to the free CambridgeSide Shuttle Bus), and offers attached, covered parking. For directions and information, call 617-621-8666 or visit CambridgeSide.com. CambridgeSide is a New England Development shopping destination.

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PEOPLE OF CHELSEA PROJECT

Please join us for an evening of celebration to welcome Darlene DeVita's the **People of Chelsea Project** at the Chelsea Public Library 569 Broadway, Chelsea, MA Wednesday, Oct 19th, 2022, 6-8PM Panel discussion 6:30-7:15PM

ABOUT THIS EVENT

In the People of Chelsea Project, photographer Darlene DeVita offers an up-close look at the diverse and resilient community of Chelsea, MA. A city resident since 2004, from day one DeVita was inspired by Chelsea's rich history, culture, and community. In the images found in this show, DeVita highlights through portraits and first-person stories the diversity, passion, and love for humanity found in this unique city, in addition to the impact of COVID-19 on the tight-knit community.

"I spent much of the evening reading and looking at your outstanding work! So moving and absolutely beautiful"

Barbara Hindley.
Associate VP of Communications at The Boston Foundation Boston.

Friends of the Chelsea Public Library

EEA announces drought conditions have improved

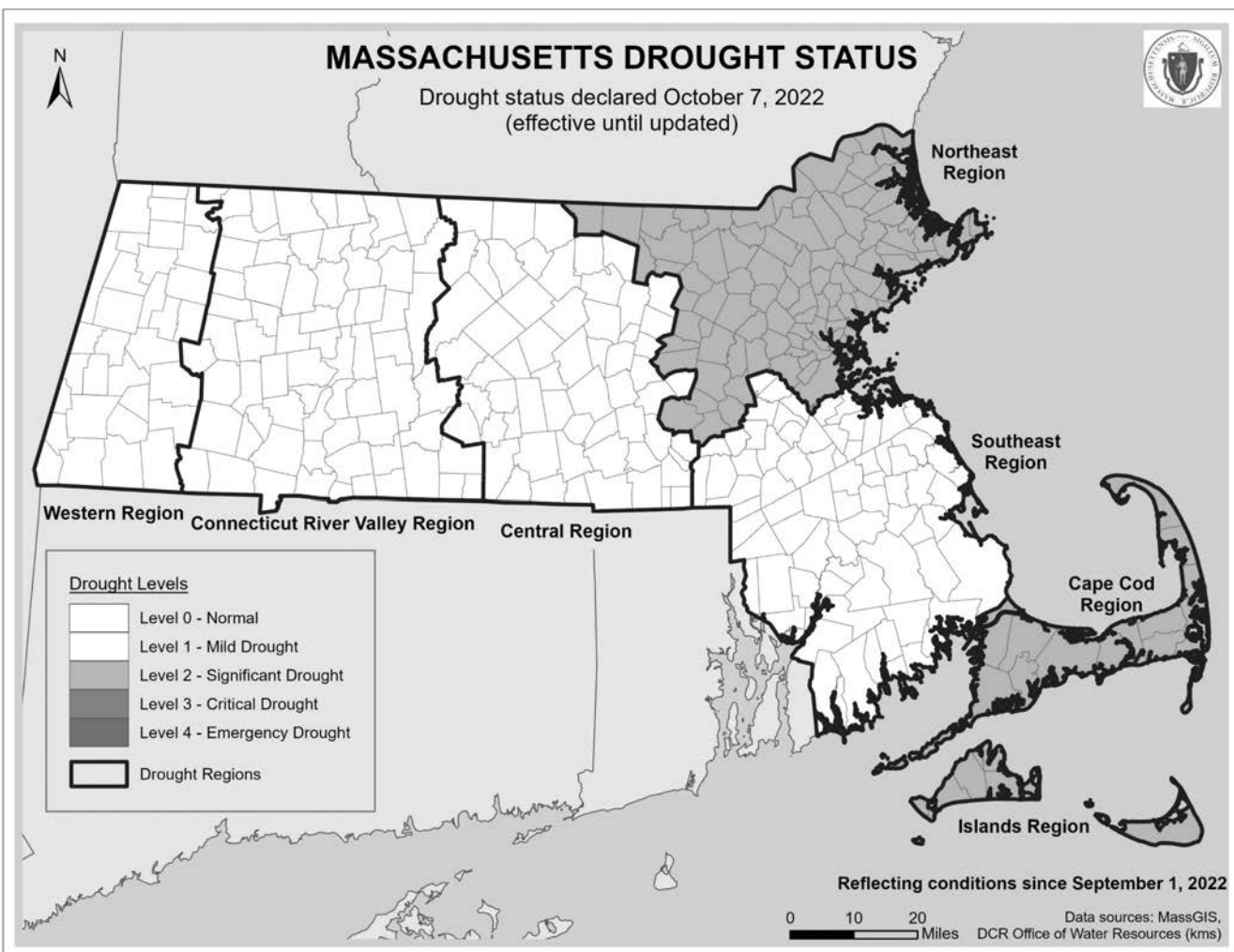
With several recent precipitation events in September that directly benefited Massachusetts’ hydrological systems, Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Secretary Beth Card announced that drought conditions have improved in all regions of the state, and made the following drought declarations: the Western Region has been upgraded to Level 0-Normal Conditions; the Connecticut River Valley, Central Region, and Southeast Regions have been upgraded to Level 1-Mild Drought; and, the Northeast and Cape Cod Regions have been upgraded and will join the Islands Region as a Level 2-Significant Drought. As outlined in the Massachusetts Drought Management Plan, a Level 1-Mild Drought warrants detailed monitoring of drought conditions, close coordination among state and federal agencies, and technical outreach and assistance to the affected municipalities. Additionally, a Level 2-Significant Drought calls for the convening of an interagency mission group, which is already meeting, to more closely coordinate on drought assessments, impacts, and responses within state government.

“Even though recent rainfall over the past month has been extremely beneficial to the Commonwealth’s water systems, it is important to remember that the majority of the state has had an insufficient amount of precipitation this year,” said Energy and Environmental Affairs Beth Card. “State agencies will continue to closely monitor condi-

tions, especially in locations that didn’t receive as much rain, such as the coastal part of the Northeast, the elbow area on Cape Cod, and Islands Regions, and we ask that everyone continues practicing water conservation in an effort to further assist the rebounding of local water systems.”

Today’s declarations are the result of recommendations made by the state’s Drought Management Task Force, which is composed of state and federal officials, and other entities. The taskforce will continue to meet until water levels return to normal in the affected regions. The task force noted that September rains have resulted in some recovery for both streamflow and groundwater; however, drought impacts continue to be seen, including some remaining dry streams and numerous slow-recharging or deeper wells across the state. Due to remaining low groundwater and less rain since the end of September and start of October, streamflow in some areas are beginning to decline again. Therefore, additional precipitation is needed to continue recovering from the drought and fully recharge the ecosystem. Additionally, coastal regions northeast of Boston, as well as the elbow of Cape Cod from Hyannis to Wellfleet are still exceptionally dry.

Below are recommendations for communities and individuals living and working within a Level 2 – Significant Drought region and a Level 1 – Mild Drought region, including those utilizing a private well. Residents and



businesses are also asked to check with their local water system in case more stringent watering restrictions are in place.

For Regions in Level 2 – Significant Drought

Residents and Businesses:

- 1 Minimize overall water use.
- 2 Limit outdoor watering to hand-held hoses or watering cans, to be used only after 5 p.m. or before 9 a.m.
- 3 Follow local water use restrictions, if more stringent.

Immediate Steps for Communities:

- 1 Adopt and implement the state’s nonessential outdoor water use restrictions for drought; Level 2 restriction calls for lim-

iting outdoor watering to hand-held hoses or watering cans, to be used only after 5 p.m. or before 9 a.m. If local restrictions are more stringent, continue to keep them in place during the course of the drought.

- 2 Limit or prohibit installation of new sod, seeding, and/or landscaping; watering during or within 48 hours after measurable rainfall; washing of hard surfaces (sidewalks, patios, driveways, siding); personal vehicle or boat washing; filling of swimming pools.
- 3 Establish water-use reduction targets for all water users and identify top water users and conduct targeted outreach to help curb their use.

Short- and Medium-Term Steps for Communities:

- 1 Establish a year-round water conservation program that includes public education and communication.
- 2 Provide timely information to local residents and businesses.
- 3 Implement or establish drought surcharge or seasonal water rates.
- 4 Check emergency inter-connections for water supply.
- 5 Develop or refine your local drought management plan using guidance outlined in the state Drought Management Plan.

For Region in Level 1 - Mild Drought

Residents and Businesses:

- 1 Toilets, faucets and showers are more than 60% of indoor use. Make sure yours are WaterSense efficient;
 - 2 Limit outdoor watering to 1 day a week (only from 5:00PM – 9:00AM), or less frequently if required by your water supplier;
 - 3 Switch to more drought-tolerant plants.
- Short- and Medium-Term Steps for Communities:
- 1 Establish a year-round water conservation program that includes public education and communication;
 - 2 Provide timely information to local residents and businesses;
 - 3 Check emergency inter-connections for water supply;
 - 4 Develop a local drought management plan.

Additionally, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) will continue to provide technical assistance to communities on managing systems, including assistance on use of emergency connections and water supplies.

“Drought conditions are improving in many areas of the Commonwealth, but the effort to conserve water remains as important today as it did earlier in the summer,” said

MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg. “Please continue to follow the instructions of your local water supplier to help conserve this precious resource.”

It is important to note that the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) water supply system is not experiencing drought conditions, as defined within its individual plan. Private wells, local streams, wetlands, vernal pools, and other water-dependent habitats located within MWRA-serviced areas are being impacted by drought conditions while water quality in ponds can deteriorate due to lowering of levels and stagnation.

The Drought Management Task Force will meet again on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at 10:00AM. For further information on water conservation and what residents can do, please visit EEA’s drought page and water conservation page. To get the most up-to-date information on the drought indices, go to the state’s drought dashboard page. Additionally, the Commonwealth is surveying the public for any drought impacts that are currently being experienced. To participate, please visit the Massachusetts Water Impact Reporter webpage.

ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL



Judith García (second from right), is pictured with members of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO) who recently endorsed her.

JUDITH GARCÍA RECEIVES BIG ENDORSEMENTS

Less than one month out from the state representative election, Democratic candidate Judith García has received a slew of endorsements from unions and social justice organizations.

The American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO), the largest federation of unions in the country, recently endorsed García, saying they “look forward to working together to create a brighter future for working people in Massachusetts.” They applauded her commitment to workers’ rights, adding, “we are proud to support a candidate who has demonstrated a commitment to the values and principles of the Labor Movement.”

Shortly after AFL–CIO’s announcement of support, United Food and Commercial Work-

ers International Union (UFCW) Local 1445 also endorsed García’s campaign. The UFCW has 1.3 million members across Canada, the United States, and Puerto Rico, and chapter 1445 alone has 8,000 members throughout northeastern New England. The union’s mission is to “improve their lives and make a lasting difference for all working people,” and they decided to endorse García based on her track record of advocating for working people and families.

In addition to the unions, the Environmental League of Massachusetts (ELM) also put their support behind García’s campaign. Committed to “securing the health and wellbeing of the environment and of future generations,” the ELM has now officially endorsed García, who helped establish Chelsea as a Green City and has promised to prioritize environmental justice once elected to the state

legislature.

“I am deeply honored to have the support of organizations that have such a passion for justice and collective advancement,” García said of the host of endorsements. “I look forward to collaborating with them throughout the final month of this campaign and once I take office in January.”

García has been a Chelsea City Councilor for seven years, during which she has championed issues ranging from wage theft to environmental justice. She announced her run for state representative earlier this year, vowing to “bring the courage, zeal, and determination from Chelsea and Everett to the Statehouse.”

García will face off against one opponent in the general election for 11th Suffolk district’s state representative seat, which will be on November 8, 2022.

Learn more at electjudithgarcia.com.

A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

POLIO.

As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.

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VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE STATE ELECTION IS OCTOBER 29

We wish to remind all of our readers that the deadline for registering to vote for the upcoming state election is October 29.

Citizens of Massachusetts have three ways to register to vote: on-line, by mail, or in-person at your local city or town clerk's office.

To register in Massachusetts you must:

- be a citizen of the United States
- be a resident of Massachusetts
- be at least 16 years old (must be 18 years old to vote on Election Day)
- not currently be incarcerated for a felony conviction

The web site for the Secretary of State's office has the necessary forms and instructions for those wishing to register to vote on-line or by mail.

The upcoming election on November 8 has the potential for far-reaching consequences for our state.

Never before in our history have the Democrat and Republican candidates for two major offices, Governor and Secretary of State, presented such divergent choices for voters.

We urge all residents to register to vote for this important election.

THE END OF AN ERA IN MASS. POLITICS IS AT HAND

The decision by Gov. Charlie Baker not to seek re-election effectively has brought to an end an era in Massachusetts politics.

Although Massachusetts voters typically have split our legislature and governorship between Democrats and Republicans for much of the past 80 years -- with Democrats controlling the legislature and Republicans the governorship -- the basic differences between the two parties were fairly minimal.

Republican governors typically were seen as fiscally more conservative than their Democratic counterparts, but there was general agreement between them on social and other issues.

Most importantly, Republican governors and Democratic legislators were able to work together to achieve far-reaching goals.

For example, it was Republican Gov. John Volpe who fought for a sales tax in the early 1960s in order to support city and town governments that were unable to meet the huge increases in the costs of local education because of the influx of students during the Baby Boom era.

Gov. Volpe previously had served as the State Commissioner of Public Works and oversaw the expansion of the state highway system during the 1950s that allowed our state to expand beyond Greater Boston, most notably the Route 128 Belt that became known as America's technology highway in that era and that fueled Massachusetts' growth into the last half of the 20th century.

Forty years later, Republican Gov. Mitt Romney joined with the Democratic legislature to craft the Mass. health insurance law that became the model for Obamacare, making health insurance affordable for all residents.

In the 1990s, the weekly breakfast meetings between Republican Governors Bill Weld and Paul Cellucci with the Democratic leaders of the House and Senate were instrumental in creating an atmosphere of collegiality on Beacon Hill.

These Republican governors understood the essential role that government must play in order to move our society forward.

By no means did they agree on everything with their Democratic counterparts, but they were able to disagree without being disagreeable. Moreover, Democratic and Republican leaders shared a common vision for our state. We realize that everyone loves to complain and gripe about everything, but the bottom line is that Massachusetts ranks among the best in the nation in just about every meaningful category, from education to health care.

However, that era is over. Those who lead the Republican party today have views that are far beyond the mainstream of our state's residents, whether on social issues such as a woman's right to choose or political matters -- the GOP's candidates for Governor and Secretary of State openly have voiced their support for the idea that the outcome of the 2020 presidential election was not legitimate and are avid supporters of Donald Trump.

The virus that has infected the politics of the rest of the country has made its way here. It would be nice to think that this change in the political climate in Massachusetts is temporary. But unlike the COVID-19 pandemic, there is no vaccine on the horizon.

By Glenn Mollette

Reports are pointing to an 8.9% raise for Social Security recipients. While it won't feel like enough, it may buy you a sack of groceries or a tank of gasoline. This is a big maybe on the gasoline as California reports prices of over \$8 per gallon.

Some of our government leadership is crying because Saudi Arabia is cutting their oil production by 2 million barrels a day. This means less oil for everyone in the grand oil supply pool. I don't understand why anyone in our government would want to do business with the Saudis.

Buying oil from Saudi Arabia, Venezuela or any foreign entity is crazy. Why don't we use our own oil? I'm all for green energy but we aren't quite there yet. Make electric cars and drive them. Utilize solar energy and else

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GUEST OP-ED

Rising prices – one thing you can do

anything that we can to help preserve this planet and its resources. Regardless, our country still needs oil. As long as we need oil, it would be wiser and much more cost effective to use our own oil. Put Americans back to work drilling our oil and selling it to foreign countries.

Our government has been draining our own oil reserve to try to keep the price of gasoline down. This doesn't seem to be working very well. Plus, it puts our country at risk. When China and Russia decide to attack us, we need to be able to put fuel in our jets and ships. That would not be a good time to have to go back to Saudi Arabia and beg for oil.

We should utilize a full arsenal of energy from electric cars and a grid to supply the power. Utilize our oil, wind, natural gas and coal. Once our country can do everything without oil or coal, then we can

move on from those resources. Being dependent on getting them from foreign nations doesn't make sense, especially when we have the resources.

A loaf of bread will eventually cost Americans their 8.9% Social Security increase. Ukraine has been one of the world's leading providers of wheat. Having Russia in control of Ukraine, a major source of the bread supply, along with their major supply of natural gas is bad news for the world.

The Crimea bridge that was recently bombed between Russia and Ukraine should have been bombed on day one by Ukrainians. Ukraine must do whatever it takes to thwart Russia's ongoing destruction of their country. The news has been filled with fear that Russia will go nuclear in their efforts. When the nations start hurling nuclear bombs you won't need to worry about gas,

groceries and cost of living adjustments because this planet can only take so much.

Keep in mind there is still something you can do to make a difference. vote. Clear your calendar for voting. If you don't vote then don't complain about our government, inflation, rising interest rates, gasoline prices and more. I know it doesn't feel like your one vote matters, but it truly counts. The only way you can bring about change is to clear your schedule, take the time, and vote.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist – American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

Dwight Robson, longtime behavioral health leader and former Roca Board President, joins Roca leadership team

Dwight Robson, a longtime behavioral healthcare executive and leader in the private and public sectors who previously served on Roca's Board of Directors, has joined the executive leadership team of the Massachusetts-based non-profit as Executive Vice President of Operations.

Robson, who will report directly to Roca Founder & CEO Molly Baldwin, will help drive strategic planning, programmatic growth, and innovation across the organization by building capacity and ensuring a high-level of execution within its shared services, including finance, human resources, IT, government relations, and marketing & communications.

"Roca is incredibly fortunate to be able to add someone with Dwight's passion, skills, experience and strategic thinking to our executive team," said Baldwin. "Dwight has been a valuable resource and advisor to me and many others during his long tenure on Roca's Board of Directors



Dwight Robson.

and throughout his distinguished career. I am thrilled he has joined us as we strive to expand the impact of our work and save and enhance more young lives."

Robson was a key member of the senior leadership team for The MENTOR Network, a Boston-based national leader in home- and community-based health care, including serving as its Chief Public Strategy Group and Marketing Officer for the second half of his 17-year tenure with the company. After departing the company in 2020, Robson co-founded Preston Group Strategic

Advisors, a consultancy working at the intersection of business, public policy, and communications to protect and enhance the reputations of companies and non-profit organizations, helping them grow and achieve ambitious goals.

Before his time as MENTOR, Robson served in senior roles in Massachusetts government and politics, including managing the 2002 campaign for state Treasurer Shannon P. O'Brien, the first woman in Massachusetts history to be the gubernatorial nominee for either major political party.

Robson has a long history with Roca, having served on its Board of Directors since 2009, including stints as board President, Secretary and Treasurer. Robson earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Massachusetts-Lowell and lives with his family in Marblehead.

"I'm excited to take on this new role at Roca and

to have an opportunity to continue to support our hard-working young people, the amazingly dedicated staff and our many partners in Massachusetts, Maryland and Connecticut, and across the country," said Robson. "Roca's powerful outcomes have driven its explosive growth during the last 10 years, and its nation-leading work has never been more important. I look forward to helping the organization reach new heights."

"Molly and her leadership team move mountains on behalf of the young people we serve, helping those who have endured the deepest of trauma heal and change the trajectory of their lives," said Christine Kendell, President of the Roca Board of Directors "Dwight's leadership and contributions on the Roca Board have been invaluable, and his addition to Roca's management makes a very strong team even stronger."

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ATLANTIC WORKS GALLERY: “EDGE” AND “WHAT TO MAKE OF ALL OF THIS”

X Bonnie Woods explores the medium of Sumi, a dense Asian ink, in a new exhibition entitled *EDGE* at Atlantic Works Gallery, through October 22. All works are on folded paper, combining aspects of painting, sculpture, and printmaking. The map-like, Irregularly shaped paper constructions are sometimes huge, reaching around corners or across walls and ceilings. The installation offers a geography puzzle and emphasizes the essence of each painting’s edge. Stemming from the artist’s aerial sketches of islands, landforms, and snowforms, these works were completed in Boston and Berlin, Germany, between 2020 and the present. The artist works and resides in both cities.

In Chelsea, Woods is probably best known for her four 7-foot high paintings, *The Seasons of Chelsea*, permanently installed at the Chelsea



Maryellen Cahill and Donna DeLone

Public Library since 2004. She also created the first walking map of Chelsea’s waterfront areas, and is presently working on a new, illustrated street map of Chelsea.

In the adjoining gallery space, see work by Boston artist Walter Kopec.

Regular gallery hours are 2-6 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Please join a public reception for the artist on Oct 20, 6-9 p.m. Other appointments: 857-335-3100. Atlantic Works Gallery, 80 Border Street, East Boston, MA 02128.



Paula, Thomas, and Maura Garrity with X Bonnie Woods.



X Bonnie Woods discussing art installation on the ceiling with Lee Farrington.



X Bonnie Woods speaking with a friend.



Walter Kopec and his wife, Sarah Bodden Kopec, in front of “Synergism,” matte medium and ink.



Shahana Bhaduri admiring the work of X Bonnie Woods.



Lids MacGeorge and Michael Crain with Issa



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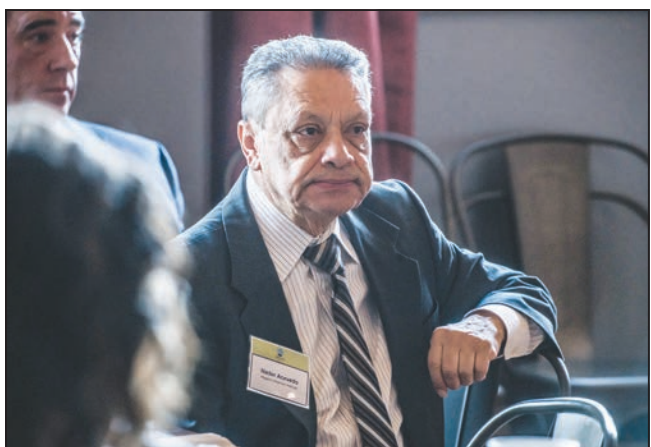
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CHELSEA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BREAKFAST



Chelsea City Employee Tracy Nowicki, Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce President Paul Nowicki, Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan, and Chelsea City Manager Tom Ambrosino.



Nader Acevedo, Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce Board Member and Executive Vice President of the Hispanic American Institute.



Richelle and Joan Cromwell.



Mark Nadow, owner of Chelsea Station with Jennette Hassell, Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce Executive Director.



Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce President Paul Nowicki thanks Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan for speaking at the Breakfast.



Chelsea School Superintendent Dr Almi Abeyta (center) with Chelsea High School Principal Mark Martineau and Athletic Director Amanda Alpert.

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

The Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce held its annual Breakfast at Chelsea Station. This annual event is an opportunity for the Chamber to review its activities and present its plans as well as for members to network and catch up with each other.



Jennette Hassell, Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce Executive Director, speaks.



Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce President Paul Nowicki



Previous President of the Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce, member for 48 years, and Melrose Emergency Management Director Allan Alpert with Chelsea Fire Department Chief Leonard Albanese.



Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan (3rd from left) with members of Community Action Programs Inner-City.



Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan (4th from left) with Board members of the Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce: Nader Acevedo, Maureen Foley, Jennette Hassell, Paul Nowicki, Renee Caso, Rick Gordon, Kelina Orlando, and Beth McDougal.

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Chelsea Chamber Of Commerce President Paul Nowicki addresses the audience at their annual Breakfast.

Sports

CHELSEA HIGH GIRLS SOCCER VS EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL

Photos by Bob Marra

Chelsea fell to Everett 5-0 Tuesday at Chelsea Stadium, October 11, in girls soccer action.



Julissa Davila Gonzaga (28) sets to clear the ball from the Chelsea end.



Jasmin Uceda Guardado (25) and Alessandra Campos (41) and Everett's Leah Ferullo move in on a loose ball.



Ruzby Santizo (11) vies for control of a bouncing ball in front of Everett's Lymiah Wyzard (22).



Maybelin Ramirez Cea (10), Rusby Santizo (11), Erica Mendoza (6), and Lauren Nadow (27) form a human wall in front of a direct kick by Everett's Layla Bentancur-Cardoza.



Meleny Rodriguez (31) gets a step on teammate Keara Chavez Trejo (21) and Everett's Lymiah Wyzard (22).



Bintou Fofana (42) and Everett's Shyann Ambersley compete for a loose ball.

CHS ROUNDUP

CHS FOOTBALL TEAM HOSTS KEEFE ON FRIDAY

The Chelsea High football team will be seeking

its second win of the season when the Red Devils host Keefe Technical tomorrow (Friday) evening under the lights at Chelsea Stadium.

The opening kick-off is set for 6:00.

CHS BOYS SOCCER TOPS EXCEL, 6-2

The Chelsea High boys

soccer team earned a 6-2 victory over non-league opponent Excel Academy this past Saturday.

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THE 19TH ANNUAL TASTE OF CHELSEA TO BENEFIT HARBORCOV

The Taste of Chelsea fundraiser was held Sept. 19 at 99 Marginal St. The event was co-hosted by HarborCOV and the Chelsea Chamber of Commerce.

Event founder Joe Vinard has helped the organization raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for the cause of assisting victims of domestic violence and creating awareness about the issue.

Guests enjoyed delicious food prepared and served by local restaurants and businesses at individual stations inside a large tent.

Kourich Pich, executive director of HarborCOV thanked the community for its support of the fundraiser.



Kourou Pich, executive director of HarborCOV, and Joseph Vinard, Taste of Chelsea event founder.



Chelsea Senior Center Director Tracy Nowicki and Chelsea Housing Authority Director of Operations Paul Nowicki helping to support the Taste of Chelsea fundraiser for HarborCOV.



Peach's and Cream served some of its exquisite desserts at Taste of Chelsea.



City Manager Tom Ambrosino, District 1 Councilor Todd Taylor, Attorney David Mindlin, and Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson.



Maureen Foley of Colwen Hotels and Chelsea Police Det. Rosalba Medina assisted at the Taste of Chelsea fundraiser for HarborCOV.



Chelsea students enjoy the Taste of Chelsea event.



Claire O'Brien and former Chelsea School Committee member John O'Brien.



Mark Nadow, owner of the Chelsea Station Restaurant on Everett Avenue, pictured at the Taste of Chelsea.



Chelsea High School teacher Ilana Ascher, GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni, her husband, Sandro Figarola, and restaurant reviewer Victoria Fabbo.



District 5 Councilor Judith Garcia, with Rob Waters and Keila Perez, pictured at the Taste of Chelsea fundraiser.



Revere Police Officers Johan Taborda and Taylor Belschner, with Victim Advocate Gladys Agneta.



District 1 Councilor Todd Taylor, Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson, and Alex Christmas.



Representing Suffolk County DA Kevin Hayden's Office, from left, True-See Allah, Domonique Williams, and the Rev. Wayne Daley.



Gladys Agneta, Allan Alpert, and Harvey Walk.



El Potro Mexican Bar and Grill served delicious food at the Taste of Chelsea event.



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Michael Matrinko and Cheryl Matrinko of New Brown Jug were a big hit at the Taste of Chelsea with their signature pizza.



Metro Credit Union Vice President Saritin Rizzuto and her daughter, Giana Davi Rizzuto, at the Taste of Chelsea event.



Taste of Chelsea founder Joseph Vinard, Sheila Arsenault, Margo Johnson, and Claudia Carias.



Makenna Baez, Maria Olmo, and Michelle Morales.

Northeast Metro Tech celebrates groundbreaking on new school building

Staff Report

Superintendent David DiBarri, the Northeast Metro Tech School Committee and School Building Committee are pleased to share that they were joined by local and state officials Wednesday as they broke ground on a new school building that will expand and modernize facilities and serve students from a dozen member communities for over 50 years.

“This new school will solidify the existence of career technical education for the next 50 plus years, changing the lives of thousands of local residents for generations to come,” said School Building Committee Chairman Theodore Nickole. “That’s something special that we’ve all done together. Just

think of it: For the next 50 years, kids and their kids and grandchildren being here. That’s really exciting to me.”

Northeast, built in 1968, currently serves about 1,300 students in its career technical education programs, but only has the capacity to accept 41 percent of applicants each year. The building has outlived its intended lifespan. The new facility will expand capacity to serve about 1,600 students; will modernize shops and technology within the building to meet the demands of employers and industries; improve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act; improve access to school grounds for both buses and drivers, and significantly reduce the school's carbon footprint.

A team made up of Northeast officials, School Committee members from all 12 communities that Northeast serves, and construction experts spent more than four years developing a plan for a new building. The team worked in partnership with officials in sending communities, listening to suggestions and concerns, to develop a building plan that is cost-effective, environmentally sound, and fiscally responsible.

The new facility will be built next to the current school while classes continue uninterrupted. It is scheduled to be completed in 2026.

Nickole thanked Northeast Metro Tech alumni from the school's 12 sending communities, and said their support in public forums and on social



COURTESY NORTHEAST METRO TECH

From left, Massachusetts School Building Authority Executive Director Jack McCarthy, School Building Committee Chairman Theodore Nickole, School Committee Chair Deborah P. Davis, former Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and Northeast Metro Tech Superintendent Dave DiBarri toss the first shovels full of dirt at a groundbreaking for a new school building.

media were key to getting member communities to support the proposal at the ballot box.

“They want this school here for their children and their grandchildren, and that’s what we all want,” Nickole said.

School Committee Chair Deborah P. Davis thanked the administration, her fellow board members and the School Building Committee for their hard work, but said she wanted to thank the voters in the schools' member communities most of all for their support.

"We will be providing our 12 member communities with the finest vocational education and a brand new, state-of-the-art facility for many years to come," Davis said.

Former Massachusetts Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo, who was instrumental at times in helping the project move forward, said the new school will be a win for the entire state, and not just the 12 member communities, because of the value and importance of career tech-

nical education.

“I can tell you that although this is a wonderful ceremony, this is really not an event about the first step. This is really a celebration,” DeLeo said. "This is a celebration because I see this school, and all the vocational schools throughout this state, as being major engines for the economy of Massachusetts.”

The approximately \$317.4 million project will receive approximately \$138 million in support from the Massachusetts School Building Committee, whose executive director spoke at the groundbreaking. The balance of the costs will be paid by sending communities based on the number of students attending the school.

MSBA Executive Director Jack McCarthy said that as he visits building projects around the state, he enjoys those at vocational-technical schools the most because of the passion of the students.

"They’re here because they really want to be here in this school to learn the

trades and the things that they’re learning," McCarthy said.

Students in the Culinary Arts and Design and Visual Communications programs helped organize the groundbreaking ceremony. Culinary students provided hors d'oeuvres, popcorn and other snacks, and Design and Visual Communications students helped prepare gifts for the event, the event program, and greeted guests on Thursday.

"The quality of this new building will serve students and change their lives for the better for decades to come, facilitating their growth and helping them to find clear pathways for the rest of their lives. Each brick and beam that goes into this building will help build the lives of future students," said Superintendent DiBarri. "I am so grateful for the support from our sending communities and excited for the future of all those in our communities who chose Northeast Metro Tech and the paths that we provide to the future."



COURTESY NORTHEAST METRO TECH

Members of the Northeast Metro Tech School Committee toss ceremonial shovels full of dirt at the groundbreaking. From left are, Melrose Representatives Ward Hamilton, Winthrop Representatives Robert O'Dwyer, Wakefield Representatives Brittany Carisella, Revere Representative Anthony Caggiano, Reading Representative Robert McCarthy, Woburn Representative Deborah Davis, North Reading Judith Dymont, Stoneham Representative Larry Means, Saugus Representative Peter Rossetti and Malden Representative James Holland.

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The Red Devils took control of the match from the outset, grabbing an early 2-0 lead on a pair of free kick goals by Steven Gamez and Ever Aguilar.

Aguilar made it 3-0 when he received a pass from Kevin Garcia and placed a nice shot across the goal.

The Red Devils enlarged their margin to 4-0 when a shot by defender Olvan Mendez was saved by the Excel keeper, but the rebound came out to Jefferson Ruiz, who was in the right spot for an easy conversion.

Jefferson notched his second goal of the game before the intermission when he received a nice pass from Gamez and took a shot that the keeper got a hand on, but which deflected off his hands into the back of the net.

The Red Devils went into cruise control mode in the second half, with Oscar Erazo scoring the lone goal for Chelsea when he tapped in a rebound after a save by the Excel keeper.

The Red Devils did not have as much luck on Tuesday in a loss to Everett.

After Chelsea conceded an early goal to the Crimson Tide, Jose ‘Smiley’ Melendez saw that the Everett keeper was off his line and crossed a nice ball to Mendez, who headed the ball into the back of the Crimson Tide net to bring the contest back to level at 1-1.

However, a pair of defensive errors allowed Everett to score two goals to take a 3-1 lead into the intermission. Chelsea got one back shortly into the second half when Mendez sent Ruiz up the left side with a nice pass. Although Jefferson's shot was saved by the Everett keeper, Angel Rosales was in perfect position to

put home the rebound to bring the Devils within a goal.

However, that would prove to be as close as Chelsea would get on the day. A perfect delivery by an Everett player late in the game found the top right corner of the CHS net to account for the 4-2 finale.

Coach Mick Milutinovic and his crew are scheduled to host Lynn English today (Thursday) and Revere on Tuesday. The Red Devils stand at 6-4-1 on the season with six games to play and are ranked 41st in Division 2. However, if Chelsea can finish the season with a .500 or better record, the Red Devils automatically will qualify for the post-season state tourney.

CHS VOLLEYBALL WINS TWO OF THREE MATCHES

The Chelsea High volleyball team won two of its three matches this past week to stay above .500, the mark that is needed to qualify for the post-season state tourney.

Last Thursday, coach Gabriel Morales's squad blanked Everett, 3-0, and then edged Malden, the second-place team in the Greater Boston League, the following day. The Lady Red Devils' victory over Malden was only the second loss in the GBL for the Lady Golden Tornadoes.

Chelsea then took on an undefeated Revere team, which is in first place in the GBL, but came up short by a score of 3-0.

Morales and his crew were scheduled to face Medford yesterday (Wednesday) and will host Lynn English tomorrow (Friday). They will travel to New Mission next Tuesday.

The Lady Red Devils stand at 7-5 on the season with four matches to play and are ranked 42nd in Division 2. However, if Chelsea can finish the season with a .500 or better record, the Devils automatically will qualify for the post-season state tourney.

CHS GIRLS SOCCER CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

Although the Chelsea High girls soccer team came out on the short end of both of its contests this past week, coach Randy Grajal's squad continues to show improvement as the season progresses.

Last Monday, the Lady Red Devils dropped a 5-0 decision to Lynn Classical and then fell to Somerville, 5-1, on Thursday.

In the latter contest, junior Alessandra Campos gave Chelsea a quick 1-0 lead, reaching the back of the Lady Highlander net just three minutes into the match.

“Alessandra continued to keep working throughout the whole game,” said CHS head coach Randy Grajal. “She created opportunities and kept the Somerville defenders on their toes during the game.”

The coach also had words of praise for senior goalkeeper Katie Arias.

“Katie gave us a consistent effort and made some amazing saves throughout the game,” said Grajal.

“This was by far our best game of the season and the team looks forward to continuing improving,” Grajal added.

The Lady Red Devils are scheduled to play at Lynn English today (Thursday) and will travel to Revere on Tuesday. They will host Medford next Thursday.

BRUINS Beat by Bob Morello

Bruins begin 2022-23 season

For Boston Bruins fans, the wait is over as the locals played their first game of the regular season last night (Wednesday) versus the Washington Capitals. The Bruins were without the services of defenseman Charlie McAvoy and forward Brad Marchand. The Capitals were also missing a trio of important players, including center Nicklas Backstrom, who, like Marchand, is recovering from off-season hip surgery, and was joined by forwards Tom Wilson (knee) and Carl Hagelin (hip). The trade of Pavel Zacha (drafted at number six overall in the 2015 NHL Draft) for Erik Hauka, might pick up some of the slack for Boston in Wednesday's matchup, along with the return of David Krejci to the lineup, these could be promising signs for the start of the 2022-23 regular season.

Some positive news was the waiver clearance of the Nick Foligno, Jakub Lauko and Mike Reilly, as the three were on the trip to Washington for Wednesday's game. The fourth Bruin waived, Walpole's Chris Wagner also cleared, but was assigned to Providence. The addition of Lauko and Jack Studnicka to the roster was a factor in that decision. The likeable Wagner once again handled his demotion to the American Hockey League as a pro, and will probably earn another call-up to Boston again in the future. With those roster moves in place, Boston's opening night roster included, Patrice Bergeron, Brandon Carlo, Connor Clifton,

Charlie Coyle, Jake DeBrusk, Nick Foligno, Derek Forbort, Trent Frederic, A.J. Greer, Matt Grzelcyk, Taylor Hall, David Krejci, Jakub Lauko, Hampus Lindholm, Tomas Nosek, David Pastrnak, Mike Reilly, Craig Smith, Anton Stralman, Jack Studnicka, Jeremy Swayman, Linus Ullmark, Pavel Zacha, Jakub Zboril.

At Monday's Media Day presser, Marchand explained, “I'm ready but there's still a process that you've got to follow to get back. Just trying to take it day by day and make sure there are no setbacks and nothing that holds me back from getting back when I want to. I don't want to be definitive in what the timetable is, just try to see how I feel. I haven't dealt with anything like this before where I feel really good, but I still have to be careful with where I'm at, with my surgeries before, once I feel good, I can go. But it's not quite like that with this one. I've just got to be careful." Marchand has been back on the ice for a couple of weeks but his progress has been very deliberate while working with the club's medical staff to make sure that he doesn't push it too much and jeopardize his recovery. He finished his comments via "We're trying not to do too many stops and cutbacks." All good according to his thought process, it now is left to the healing process. McAvoy was totally positive in his recovery efforts, while praising the Bruins training staff and team doctors. Taylor Hall is very close, as he stated earlier,

“I feel good, and ready to play on Wednesday.” Defenseman Matt Grzelcyk was also close, and is expected to return to the Boston lineup soon. The plus side on all the injury situations will be the uplift the team is expected to feel when each of these key players return to play. Just before Wednesday's game with the Capitals Bruins General Manager Don Sweeney announced that the team had signed defenseman Anton Stralman to a one-year contract through the 2022-23 seasons. The veteran Stralman has 930 NHL career games with Arizona, Florida, Tampa Bay, NY Rangers, Columbus and Toronto. Coach Montgomery also added AJ Greer and Jakub Lauko to the season-opening roster. Coach indicated that Greer might be used on the third line with Craig Smith and Charlie Coyle. At press time no starting goalie decision had been announced to face the Capitals.

The Bruins home opener versus the Arizona Coyotes will set the pace, on Saturday (October 15 at 7:00pm), when they begin a stretch that will have the Bruins playing six of their next seven games on Garden ice. The home stand will continue with the Bs hosting the Florida Panthers on Monday, (October 17 at 7:00pm), interrupting their stay at home with a brief trip to face the Ottawa Senators on Tuesday, (October 18 at 7:00pm), before returning to TD Garden ice on Thursday (October 20 at 7:00pm) to take on the Anaheim Ducks.

Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art shines at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

Metal of Honor: Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art, on view at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (ISGM) from October 13, 2022 to January 16, 2023, explores how painters across centuries have used gold to honor and commemorate their subjects. The exhibition features rare works by legendary Renaissance master, Simone Martini, juxtaposing his devotional paintings with portraits by contemporary artists – Titus Kaphar, Stacy Lynn Waddell and Kehinde Wiley. These three artists have adopted gold to elevate or memorialize Black men and women, reinventing the techniques and visual rhetoric of early Renaissance devotion and transforming it into a contemporary honorific language. Additionally, fifteen paintings from Titus Kaphar: The Jerome Project, featuring jewel-like portraits of incarcerated Black men that reveal the same gold ground techniques as his monumental canvases but on an intimate scale, will be on view in the Gardner’s Fenway Gallery. The Museum also commissioned ISGM Artist-in-Residence, Stacy Lynn Waddell, to create a public work of art, Home House, for its façade.

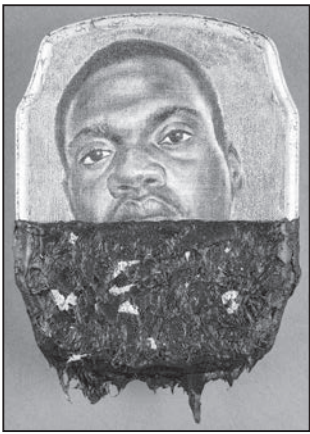
Painter to popes, princes and scions of Renaissance dynasties in his native Siena (Italy) and Avignon (France), Simone Martini (about 1284-1344) transformed Western painting and Christian imagery with his novel compositions and masterful manipulation of gold, unequaled in Europe and well ahead of his time. The Gardner Museum has two masterpieces by Martini in its collection – Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1325) and Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1320). Acquired in 1897 and 1899 respectively, these are the first works by the artist acquired in the United States and the largest holding of any museum outside Italy. In this exhibition, the Gardner’s works will be displayed for the first time with other paintings by Martini, highlighting his groundbreaking approach to gold. Brought together with contemporary portraits by Kaphar, Waddell, and Wiley, the exhibition shines new light on gold as a metal of honor, a material of virtue, and a commodity of international finance, linking artistic practice and strategy past and present, and unpacking the connec-

tions between pioneering Renaissance devotional paintings and portraiture of our era.

“We are delighted to bring together this unprecedented gathering of Simone Martini’s work with the more recent accomplishments of three important artists of our time,” shares Peggy Fogelman, Norma Jean Calderwood Director of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. “Together, these exquisite paintings, which shimmer with precious metal, inspire us to ask profound questions about who and what we honor, then and now.”

The Gardner Museum’s exquisite devotional painting, Virgin and Child with Saints (Simone Martini, about 1325) will be joined by four other paintings by the artist on loan from museums across North America – the largest gathering of Martini’s oeuvre ever assembled in the U.S. The Virgin and Child (about 1320 – 1325, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO) – the same size and subject as the Gardner Museum’s painting and created around the same time – is another example of Martini’s groundbreaking use of gold and the sacred symbolism it evokes. In Saint Catherine of Alexandria (about 1320 -1325, National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa), Martini’s goldwork techniques can be seen in St. Catherine’s jeweled brooch and the pommel of her sword, calling attention to the means of the martyr’s execution. The exhibition also considers the often overlooked axis of economic relations between Europe and Africa in the fourteenth century, a time when newly discovered sources of gold in the Empire of Mali revolutionized economies on the Italian peninsula. A film exploring the history and use of gold as an artistic medium in Martini’s time and today will also be on view.

“This exhibition offers a unique opportunity, bringing together dazzling paintings by the legendary Renaissance artist Simone Martini with artistic legends of our time Titus Kaphar, Kehinde Wiley, and Stacy Lynn Waddell,” states Nat Silver, curator of the Metal of Honor exhibition. “Masterworks past and present illuminate the allure of gold across centuries, exploring artists of unparalleled technical accomplishment who pushed the boundaries of painting to fashion



Titus Kaphar, Jerome I, 2014. Oil, tar, and gold leaf on panel. 25.4 x 17.8 x 2.5 cm (10 x 7 x 1 in.) Collection of Noel E. D. Kirnon.

new languages of honor and indices of virtue.”

The Gardner’s monumental five-panel Virgin and Child with Saints (about 1320), the largest and only intact example of a Martini altarpiece in an American collection, will be surrounded by eight contemporary portraits. These works by Titus Kaphar, Stacy Lynn Waddell and Kehinde Wiley incorporate innovative uses of gold to commemorate and celebrate their secular subjects. Kaphar, Waddell and Wiley each uniquely reinterpret the techniques and visual language of the Renaissance to elevate and memorialize Black men and women often excluded from the art historical canon. Collectively, their works raise questions of representation and the role of portraiture in the perception of value. Martini’s altarpiece, originally created for a church in Orvieto (a small city north of Rome where the Catholic popes spent their summers), juxtaposed with these contemporary works, showcase the artists’ creative manipulations of gold to produce captivating images of virtue and achievement, then and now.

Three examples from Kehinde Wiley’s (b. 1977, US) ICONIC series of Black men depicted as canonized saints, like The Archangel Gabriel (2014, Private Collection) will be on display. Inspired by historical precedents, Wiley created these intimate portraits with gold leaf and oil on wood panel in brilliant gilt frames. Three figurative works by Stacy Lynn Waddell (b. 1966, US) that probe the contradictions and misperceptions of American culture through the allegory of her own personal history are also on view.

Using experimental and alchemical processes, Waddell examines beauty and transformation, manipulating gold leaf to



Simone Martini (c. 1284-1344, Italy), Virgin and Child with Saints, about 1320. Gold and tempera on panel, 131 x 274.3 cm (51 9/16 x 108 in.) Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston.

play with light, texture and luminosity.

Waddell’s shimmering sheets of gold revealing figures beneath their surfaces include The Dawn of Our Kindred Sower of Parable (for Octavia E. Butler) (2020). The exhibition also highlights two large-scale portraits by Titus Kaphar (b. 1976, US) – My Loss (2020) and State Number Two (Dwayne Betts) (2019) – later works from his The Jerome Project (which expands into the Museum’s Fenway Gallery with examples from the original 2014-15 series). Depicting faces of previously-incarcerated men against a background of gold leaf, these works – measuring more than six feet tall – emphasize the physicality and visibility of Kaphar’s portrait subjects.

Additional selections from Titus Kaphar: The Jerome Project are on view in a separate exhibition. When searching for information about his estranged father, the artist discovered prison records and mugshots of ninety-seven men sharing his father’s first and last name. The Jerome Project in the Museum’s Fenway Gallery marks the presence of fifteen of these Black men, and interrogates the absence of imprisoned persons from the national narrative. Drawing inspiration from religious paintings of centuries past, individuals are depicted against a background of gold-leaf, with faces partially covered in tar, the height reflective of the length of time and impact of incarceration.

“It is an honor to bring this amazing body of work to Boston,” says Pieranna Cavalcini, Tom and Lisa Blumenthal Curator of Contemporary Art at the ISGM. “There is so much beauty and truth in all these paintings and they challenge us to think about whose lived experiences we consider, whose

we forget and whose we erase.”

Outside the Museum, ISGM Artist-in-Residence, Stacy Lynn Waddell, has created a new work for the Museum’s façade, Home House (2022). Complementing her portraits of African-American women important to her personal history on view in Metal of Honor Gold from Simone Martini to Contemporary Art, this work honors the artist’s maternal grandmother, Anliza Massenburg Gill, through an archival photograph of her taken as a young woman in New York City. (Anliza and her husband Otis Gill would raise a family of seven that continued to thrive and grow across generations at their home house affectionately called On-The-Hill.) This image reinforces the story-telling power of portraits and the ways in which society visually articulates its values and social hierarchies through portraiture in subtle ways.

Public Programs

In conjunction with the ISGM’s season of gold, the Museum will present a suite of public programs on a range of related topics – from artistic techniques (old and new), the history of gold mining and the relationship between incarceration and creativity. For more information on exhibitions and programs and more, please visit gardner museum.org.

Gift at the Gardner

Gift at the Gardner (online and in the Museum’s shop) will offer many books inspired by works in the exhibitions. A new publication published by the Gardner Museum,

Simone Martini in Orvieto – the first English-language book on the artist in three decades – explores the history, politics and visual culture of Martini and Renaissance Italy. Edited by Nathaniel Silver, with essays by other leading scholars, including the Museum’s chief paintings conservator, Gianfranco Pocobene, the book focuses on the works that the artist produced for churches in Orvieto (Italy). The book highlights the astonishing novelty of Martini’s paintings in terms of their construction, technique, and imagery, and discusses the results of new scientific analysis of the Gardner Museum’s works. Other items inspired by works in the exhibitions will also be available – from Kehinde Wiley journals to special tiaras, a collaboration with Loschy Crowns.

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State health officials announce sixth human case of WNV in MA

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) last week announced the sixth human case of West Nile virus (WNV) in the state this year. The individual is a male in his 60s who was likely exposed to the virus in Middlesex County in an area already known to be at increased risk. The risk of human infection with WNV is moderate to high in the Greater Boston area. Risk from mosquito-borne disease will continue until the first hard frost.

In 2021, there were 11 human cases of WNV infection identified in Massachusetts. WNV is usually transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. While WNV can infect people of all ages, people over the age of 50 are at higher risk for severe disease. Most people infected with WNV will have no symptoms. When present, WNV symptoms tend to include fever and flu-like illness. In rare cases, more severe illness can occur.

No human or animal cases of Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) have been detected so far this year in Massachusetts.

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

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

Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours. The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for many mosquitoes. Con-

sider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning.

Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites. Wear long sleeves, long pants, and socks when outdoors to help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home
Drain Standing Water. Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by either draining or discarding items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty unused flowerpots and wading pools and change the water in birdbaths frequently.

Install or Repair Screens. Keep mosquitoes outside by having tightly fitting screens on all your windows and doors.

Protect Your Animals
Animal owners should reduce potential mosquito breeding sites on

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

More information, including all WNV and EEE positive results, can be found on the Arbovirus Surveillance Information web page at www.mass.gov/mosquito-borne-diseases or by calling the DPH Epidemiology Program at 617-983-6800.

OBITUARIES

Donald ‘Donny’ Robinson

Longtime employee of Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett

Funeral Services were held on October 11 in the Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals, for Donald J. “Donny” Robinson, who died on Wednesday, October 5 at the Whidden Memorial Hospital following a brief illness. He would have celebrated his 87th birthday on November 14.

Interment was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Donny was born and raised in Chelsea and he was educated in Chelsea Public Schools. Early on in Donny’s working career, he began driving trucks for Chelsea Restaurant Supply where he worked for several years before leaving to take a position as a laborer at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

There, he was known to many of his friends and co-workers as “Robbie.” His career spanned well over 30 years. In 1984, Donny moved to Revere where he remained.

In his spare time, he enjoyed traveling, especially to Las Vegas. He was also a past member of both the Chelsea Lodge of Elks #642 and the Revere Lodge of Elks #1171.

Donny was a quiet and humble man, who enjoyed fun times and quiet times.

He also enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially his close friends at Woodlawn



Cemetery.

He was the beloved son of the late Geraldine M. (Moore) Reardon and her husband, Lawrence; loving brother of Jean M. Signorino of Revere; cherished uncle of Danielle G. Burke and her husband, Charles and their son, David P. Burke, all of Revere. He is also lovingly survived by many friends and colleagues. Remembrances may be made to the St. Anthony of Padua Church Building Fund, 250 Revere St., Revere, MA 02151.

To send online condolences, please visit www.vertuccioandsmith.com.

The staff at Vertuccio & Smith, Home for Funerals is most honored to have assisted the family in completing funeral arrangements.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Do you hate anchovies?

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We use anchovies to add depth of flavor, umami, and salinity to our food. We understand that many people think they don’t like anchovies. Read on and consider that you may already be enjoying the benefits of this pantry staple without knowing it.

Anchovies have been prepared and used for thousands of years worldwide. Salting and pickling fish was an early form of food preservation. Today, they are available dry-salted, brined, and as a paste in tubes.

Quality Is Key

Taste tests by the food experts at Serious Eats and America’s Test Kitchen made it clear that there is a vast difference between the best and the worst quality anchovies. If your experience with these little fish has been at the bottom of the quality scale, you have a good reason for not liking them. The tasters say those versions are not good examples of their kind, and simply trying a better quality product might change your mind. The taste testers on Serious Eats concluded,



Experience with anchovies at the bottom of the quality scale is a good reason for not liking them. Trying a better quality product might change your mind. (Photo: iStockphoto.com)

“Straight to the Point. Our favorite anchovies are the jarred Ortiz Anchovies. They’re tender and have a mild, clean flavor.”

In deciding what form of anchovies to use, we’ll follow the guidance offered by Kenji Alt-Lopes who writes “As someone who cooks with anchovies on a very regular basis, to me the answer is pretty clear: I’ll stick with the

oil-packed filets, but also keep a jar of the salted whole anchovies on-hand for when I really want that anchovy flavor to come forward. The paste can stay on the shelf.”

Hidden Anchovies

We bet you’ve enjoyed anchovies without knowing it. You are already eating anchovies in dishes like puttanesca, caesar salad, caponata, tapenade, and condiments like Worcestershire and fish sauces.

Whole anchovy lovers will find those on the french tart pissaladiere and salad nicoise. They may also be the reason you love specific restaurant preparations.

In the 2022 taste test on Serious Eats, Niki Achioff-Gray wrote, “Talk to almost any chef or experienced home cook, and they’ll tell you that anchovies are one of the industry’s favorite not-so-secret secret weapons. Because they’re a concentrated source of glutamic and inosinic acid—two molecules responsible for triggering our sensation of savoriness—they’re irreplaceable for adding depth of flavor and a meaty backbone to, well, pretty much anything.”

Recipe developers often say that anchovies are optional. But - when you leave out anchovies, you won’t enjoy the same re-

sult as the author.

Cooking with Anchovies

A recipe may tell you to rinse dry-salted anchovies for half an hour or give the brined ones a quick rinse. That’s a guideline. Your anchovies may need a longer rinse or none at all. We suggest you taste along the way when using this high-sodium ingredient.

Anchovies disappear in a dish like Ed’s favorite pasta puttanesca. One of the first steps is to warm olive oil in the pan and add garlic, anchovies and hot pepper flakes, then stir until the anchovies melt into a paste and become part of the oil.

Allergy Alert!

The possibility of an allergic reaction is our final thought on anchovies. If you have a seafood allergy, discuss that every time you are about to eat food prepared by someone else. Since anchovies are a secret ingredient beloved by so many chefs and great cooks (and are present in many traditional food preparations), you should always assume there might be anchovies in what you are about to eat.

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imately \$9.194 billion, which is \$443 million or 5.1% more than collections in the same period of FY2022 and \$224 million or 2.5% more than year-to-date benchmark. After adjusting for PTE excise, FY2023 year-to-date collections are \$231 million or 2.6% more than collections in the same period of FY2022 and \$169 million or 1.9% more than benchmark.

“September collections were above monthly benchmarks and above collections from the same period last year,” said Commissioner Snyder. “September revenue included increases in most major tax types relative to September 2021 collec-

tions, including increases in withholding, non-withholding income tax, and sales, and partially offset by a decrease in corporate and business tax. The increase in withholding is likely related to strong labor market conditions. The increase in sales tax reflects continued strength in retail sales".

In general, September is a significant month for revenues because many individuals and corporations are required to make estimated payments. Historically, roughly 10% of annual revenue, on average, has been received during September.

Given the brief period covered in the report, September results should not

be used as a predictor for the rest of the fiscal year.

[1] With the recent enactment of the FY2023 budget, monthly revenue benchmarks were developed for the September 2022 through June 2023 period only.

Details:

- Income tax collections for September totaled \$2.195 billion, \$131 million or 6.4% above benchmark, and \$152 million or 7.4% more than September 2021.
- Withholding tax collections for September totaled \$1.280 billion, \$36 million or 2.9% above benchmark, and \$90 million or 7.6% more than September 2021.
- Income tax estimated

payments for September totaled \$871 million, \$107 million or 13.9% more than benchmark, and \$65 million or 8.1% more than September 2021.

- Income tax returns and bills for September totaled \$166 million, \$46 million or 21.8% less than benchmark, but \$78 million or 88.0% more than September 2021.
- Income tax cash refunds for September totaled \$122 million in outflows, \$35 million or 22.3% below benchmark, but \$81 million or 196.4% more than September 2021.
- Sales and use tax collections for September totaled \$766 million, \$81 million or 11.8% above

benchmark, and \$70 million or 10.0% more than September 2021.

- Meals tax collections, a sub-set of sales and use tax, for September totaled \$131 million, \$18 million or 16.4% above benchmark, and \$11 million or 9.6% more than September 2021.
- Corporate and business tax collections for September totaled \$973 million, \$28 million or 3.0% above benchmark, but \$30 million or 3.0% less than September 2021.
- “All other” tax collections for September totaled \$254 million, \$16 million or 6.1% below benchmark, but \$2 million or 0.9% more than September 2021.

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The members of the Chelsea High School Class of 1971 Reunion Committee are pictured at their 50-Plus-1 Reunion celebration Saturday night at Kowloon. Front row, from left, are Susan Kelly Kelley, Lois Sloan Creeden, Chairperson Joyce Annese, and Suzanne Hogan Sanford. Back row, from left, are Charlie Rudolph, Thomas Keating, Bruce Glazer, Russ Sanford, Michael Matrisko, and John Dwyer. More photos of the reunion will appear in next week's edition.

Case No. 2022-31
Notice is hereby given
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Case No. 2022-30
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, November 1, 2022
Chelsea City Hall - 500 Broadway - City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor
6:00 p.m.
With reference to the application of:
Luis Barahona
For Special Permit to create two parking spaces at a discontinued curb cut at the premises known as:
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A copy of the application and petition is available for review at:
City Clerk's Office during normal business hours:

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Docket No.
SU22P1769EA
Estate of:
Barbara Myers
Date of Death:

filed by Alys Myers of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Alys Myers of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/11/2022.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Commonwealth of
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In the matter of:
Kiara Torren
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Of: Chelsea, MA
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dent and all other inter-
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has been filed by Carmen
Martinez of Chelsea, MA
in the above captioned
matter alleging that

Kiara Torren Martinez in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.


The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 11/10/2022. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

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Case No. 2022-32
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Chelsea City Hall – 500 Broadway – City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor
6:00 p.m.
With reference to the application of:
Elba Rojas
For Special Permit and Variance seeking approval for the conversion of an existing structure with one (1) residential unit and one (1) commercial unit into a two (2) residential unit structure, which does not meet the current City of Chelsea Zoning Ordinances for minimum lot area, minimum open space, and off street parking at the premises known as: 416 Crescent Avenue
A copy of the application and petition is available for review at:
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Fire Prevention Week will mark its 100th anniversary that will run through October 15 with a theme that reflects a major challenge in modern fire safety: “Fire won’t wait. Plan your escape.”

“Modern residential fires burn much faster than they did in past decades,” said State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey. “Changes in building construction, manufacturing, and furnishing mean you could have less than three minutes to escape a fire at home today, compared to 15 minutes or more in the 1970s. That’s why it’s so important to have working smoke alarms and a practiced escape plan that includes two ways out.”

Smoke Alarms
“Over 60% of Massachusetts fire deaths last year took place in the overnight hours,” said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey. “Smoke alarms are your first line of defense, so be sure they’re on every level of your home and working properly. When you hear that alarm, everyone at home should know it’s time to get out, stay out, and call 9-1-1.”

Smoke alarms should have a manufacturing date printed on the back. Alarms older than 10 years old should be replaced with new alarms that have a sealed, long-life battery. When choosing an alarm, select one from a well-known national brand that’s listed by an independent lab such as UL or Intertek/ETL. Test alarms monthly to be sure they’re working properly.

Home Escape Planning
“No matter how big or small your household

is, every home needs an escape plan,” State Fire Marshal Ostroskey said. “Consider any special needs you or your loved ones might have, including young children, older adults, and people with disabilities.”

When creating your escape plan, look for two ways out of every room – and remember that one of them may be a window. Keep those escape routes clear of furniture, clutter, and other obstructions. If you have security fittings on doors or windows, be sure they can be removed or disengaged quickly from inside.

Pick a family meeting place out front a safe distance away from the house. The meeting place should be permanent, like a tree, mailbox, or light pole, and located where firefighters can easily find you.

Once you’ve planned your escape route, practice it at least twice a year. Try it during the day and at night so everyone is familiar with it – even if they’re tired or groggy. Remember that you may have to “get low and go” in the event of smoke.

100 Years of Fire Prevention Week
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Women construction workers make ‘herstory’ at first-ever Women Build Boston conference

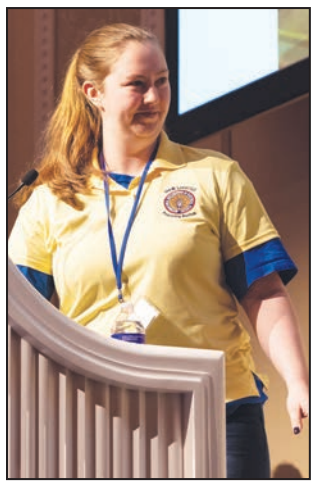
Special to the Times-Free Press

Women in the building trades came together for the first-ever Women Build Boston conference on Saturday, October 8, highlighting Boston’s leadership in making the construction industry more inclusive and diverse. The conference, dedicated to celebrating and uplifting women’s role in building trades unions, convened over 700 women across the trades. The event was attended by women of all skill levels who work in the building trades across New England, as well as allies.

“This is the labor movement at its best and what happens when a group of determined workers fights for their rights,” said U.S. Secretary of Labor Martin J. Walsh. “[The women of Women Build Boston] have grown into a powerful force in this industry. You are united and ready to smash down the doors for the next generation of women. And I’m here to tell you—the Biden-Harris administration has your back because you’re leading the way.”

The conference, organized by the Greater Boston Building Trades Unions, took place at Encore Boston Harbor — a landmark site for the advancement of women in the building trades. Under a project labor agreement, the greatest tool for promoting equity in the construction industry, nearly 500 tradeswomen were part of Encore’s construction crew, the largest number of women workers on any construction project in U.S. history.

“As the proud daughter of a union school nurse — a single mom who raised all five of us on her own



Chrissy Lynch, Massachusetts AFL-CIO.



Peter Campot and Jacqui Krum speak at the Women Build Boston Conference.

— I am forever in awe of the strength and resilience of women in labor,” said Maura Healey, Attorney General of Massachusetts and the Democratic nominee for Governor of Massachusetts. “We’ve worked closely together to diversify the trades and bring more women into these high-paying, rewarding, and in-demand fields. As Governor, I want to build on this work to create and expand career paths for women in the trades and meet the urgent infrastructure needs of our state.”

“Today, we came together to build up our labor movement,” said Jenaya Nelson, a 25-year member of Laborers Local 223. “What started as a small group of us has grown into a sisterhood of solidarity for thousands of Boston tradeswomen.



Shamaiah Turner of Sheet Metal Workers Local 17.



Nancy Luc of Building Pathways and Desalia Gomes from the International Union of Elevator Constructors emcee the Women Build Boston Conference.



Chanté Carney and Ayesca Machado.



Susan Moir of the Labor Resource Center at Umass.



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Attorney General Maura Healey.



Darlene Lambos of the Greater Boston Labor Council.



US Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh.



US Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh with the large assemblage at the Women Build Boston Conference at Encore Boston Harbor.

It’s time to double down on our progress and bring thousands more women into our ranks.”

“Whenever I look at construction sites, I see

women stepping up and paving the way for Boston’s future. I’m honored to be part of the surge in women’s participation and leadership in building trades unions,” said Renee

Dozier, Business Agent of IBEW Local 103. “We’re creating not just a better Boston, but a better future for women workers.”

The day kicked off with a tribute to four Massa-

chusetts women trailblazers in the building trades: Susan Eisenberg of IBEW Local 103, Deb Gilcoine of Painters and Allied Tradesmen District Coun

Caucus of Women Legislators seeks diverse applicants to serve as commissioners

The Massachusetts Caucus of Women Legislators is pleased to announce that they are seeking applicants to fill two seats on the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women (MCSW).

The Massachusetts Caucus of Women Legislators is a bicameral and bipartisan Caucus comprising 30% of the state legislature with 59 members. The Caucus is one of four appointing authorities to the Massachusetts Commission on the Status

of Women.

The MCSW was created in 1998 and is tasked to review the status of women and girls in Massachusetts and to offer policy recommendations to improve equality and access to opportunities for all women in the Commonwealth. The Commission consists of nineteen volunteer commissioners who serve staggered three-year terms. The Caucus appoints six of these commissioners and is currently seeking inter-

ested applicants to fill two openings.

Established by the state legislature, the MCSW studies, reviews, and reports on the status of women and girls throughout the Commonwealth. The Commission serves as a liaison between the public, organizations, and the government. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic in particular, the Commission has conducted critical research on the pandemic’s impacts on women and girls across Massachusetts.

The Commission hosts public hearings, works with legislative partners to recognize “Commonwealth Heroines” in every community, and hosts advocacy days on Beacon Hill to advance issues.

The Commission strives to be representative of women throughout the Commonwealth and, as such, the Caucus is looking for diverse applicants who have varied backgrounds and resumes—specifically diversity in race, ethnicity, religion, age, sexual orien-

tation, geography, professional background, interests, and socio-economic status. Commissioners are expected to commit to meeting attendance, participation, and collaboration with fellow Members of the Commission. Potential applicants should have a background in advancement work for women and girls or a strong interest in it. More information about the Commission on the Status of Women can be found on their website: www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-commission-on-the-status-of-women

Interested applicants are asked to submit a copy of their resume and a letter of intent to the MA Caucus of Women Legislators’ Executive Director, Nora. Bent@MAlegislature.gov by Wednesday, October 26 at 5:00pm for consideration. Additional details regarding the application process can be found on the Caucus’ website: www.mawomenscaucus.com.



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