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LA COLABORATIVA HOLDS FOOD GIVEAWAY

La Colaborativa held a massive food giveaway event under the Route 1 Viaduct at 63 Sixth Street. Over \$200,000 were distributed to all who came

throughout the day. United States Senator Ed Markey came to see the operation for himself and helped in the distribution.



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United States Senator Ed Markey (second from left) poses for a selfie with La Colaborativa staff members: Chief Operating Officer Dini Paulino, Director of Policy and Organizing and Chelsea City Councilor Norieliz DeJesus (second from right), and Executive Director Gladys Vega (right), with Chelsea City Councilor and business owner Tanairi Garcia. See Page 8 for more photos.



City Councilor of District 7 Tanairi Garcia, with the help of Kenny Baez and Chabelo Plaitez, moves a pallet of food packages to bring to elderly residents that she knew who needed food to be delivered to them.



Many residents turned out for the food distribution, the line of people continued into the evening.

Hollywood is coming to Chelsea

Matt Aaron Krinsky will film his movie, All Saints Day, here

By Cary Shuman

Hollywood-based producer and director Matt Aaron Krinsky has very notable Chelsea roots. His grandparents, the late William and Doris Waxman, were well-known in the city - William, as the owner of the Waxman Insurance Agency on Broadway, Doris as a community leader and member of the Chelsea School Committee.

mother, Debra His Waxman Krinsky, gradu-



All Saints Day, in Chelsea this month.

ated from Shurtleff School and Chelsea High School and became a teacher

at the Shurtleff School, while his father, Marty, was a beloved teen director at the old Chelsea YMHA on Crescent Avenue. His uncles, Ronald, a board member at Temple Emmanuel, and Steven, a Chelsea firefighter, are still active in Chelsea.

Matt has fond memories from when he was a child and would visit his grandfather William's insurance office "right next to the fire station.'

"We spent hours there as kids, and also on Cottage Street [where the Waxman family lived],' said Matt. "Those were great days.'

Matt Aaron Krinsky will be returning to Chelsea this month in rather

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Welcome to Chelsea (Mass.), Prince William and Princess Kate!

City begins fair housing plan process

By Adam Swift

A new fair housing plan in the city aims to address housing discrimination and help identify needs and barriers to fair and affordable housing, and establish goals and strategies to break down those barriers.

The city's Department of Housing and Community Development is spearheading the effort, with funding from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Development Block Grant Program and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. The community development department will work in collaboration with residents, housing agencies, and community based organizations to make the plan a reality.

Housing discrimination

and affordability has been a major priority for many city departments and organizations over the past several years, and an equitable fair housing plan was set as a major priority of the Chelsea Young Adult Alliance and Chelsea Black Community.

"We are pleased to announce the Fair Housing Plan, the results of an invaluable partnership with the Chelsea Young Adult Alliance and Chelsea Black Community," said Alex Train, Director of Housing and Community Development. "Against a backdrop of a housing crisis affecting residents across the community, the city is committed to ardently defending against discrimination of protected classes, to ensure all Chelsea residents have access to affordable and safe

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Forbes site purchase still in play for GreenRoots and partners

By Adam Swift

A group of local and regional nonprofits, along with affordable housing developers and the city are still all in on a plan to purchase the dormant 17.7-acre Forbes waterfront site to create affordable housing and a public, environmentally resilient waterfront area for resi-

As of this week, it was still up in the air as to whether the property will be auctioned off, or sold outright to a group consisting of GreenRoots, The Neighborhood Developers, Mystic River Watershed Association, and the Mass Audubon Society.

GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bogiovanni said the group is prepared to move quickly in either eventuality.

"We are all still actively raising funds to purchase the site," she said.

The holder of the mortgage for the property, Shanghai Commercial Bank Ltd., foreclosed on the site, according to an article in the Boston Business Journal earlier this

Bongiovanni said the

current owner has agreed to hold off on auctioning off the property for the time being, but she said it is not clear how long they will hold off before putting the property up for auction. She also noted that the current permits for the Forbes site expire on Dec. 22, which could drive down the value of

the site after that date. So far, the partnership has raised about \$10 million and is actively pursuing trying to raise an additional \$5 million by the end of the year. Bongiovanni said State Senator Sal DiDomenico has committed to help getting state funds to help with the remediation and construction on the site if the purchase is ultimately successful.

Plans for the site include 10 acres of open space with nature and educational programming and access to Chelsea Creek and the waterfront.

"This really solidifies the message we've had for the last three decades that we need to have access to the waterfront, and we are trying to achieve that goal for our residents," said

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GreenRoots Executive Director Roseanne Bongiovanni addresses the audience about the project.

Chelsea Housing and **Community Development** Director Alex Train.



DiDomenico joins panel in DC to offer insight on the MA legislature

DiDomenico Joins Panel in DC to Offer Insight on the Massachusetts Leg-

WASHINGTON Senator DiDomenico recently accepted an invitation from the Washington Area State Relations Group (WASRG) to join a leadership panel during their Inside the Dome event. DiDomenico was joined by Maryland's Senate President, Virginia's House Majority Leader, and North Carolina's House Senior Appropriations Chair. Senator DiDomenico offered his perspective on the next legislative session in Massachusetts and discussed state policy ideas with the other panelists.

"Our state is a nationwide leader on countless important issues, and I



Senator Sal DiDomenico spoke on state policies during the Inside the Dome event.

am always happy to have opportunities like this to speak about our values and our legislative accomplishments," said Senator DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. "I also appreciate events

like this where I can learn about the latest policy and political developments in other states, which can inform what we do here in the Commonwealth. I want to thank WASRG for inviting me and the rest of the panel for their insight and perspective."

DiDomenico, colleagues pass bill to prevent student loan-related license revocation

Senator Sal DiDomenico joined his legislative colleagues to pass legislation to prevent individuals who default on their student loans from having their license or professional certification revoked as a result. As of Fall 2022, approximately one million Massachusetts residents hold a combined total of nearly \$31 billion dollars in federal student loan debt, with an average debt of \$34,146 per borrower.

"There are countless Massachusetts residents who worked hard for a professional license so they could find a steady career, and I am extremely proud to pass this bill protecting their livelihood," said

Senator DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. "Student loan debt burdens around one million Bay Staters, and with payments set to resume next June, there is no better time to take this decisive action which will help people in debt to keep their jobs and will actually enable them to continue paying back what they owe. I want to thank Senate President Spilka, Senator Eldridge, and Representative Higgins for all their efforts to protect borrowers in Massachusetts."

Under current Massachusetts law, residents can have their licenses or professional certification revoked, denied, or refused

for renewal as a result of defaulting on their student loan debt. Massachusetts is one of only 14 states with such a law. The bill does away with the law and blocks any state agency or board of registration from denying or revoking any license or professional or occupational certificate or registration based on an individual's default on an educational loan.

The bill does not change the state's ability to use traditional loan collection tools.

previously Having passed both the Senate and the House of Representatives, the bill goes to the Governor for his consider-

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spectacular fashion - as the producer and director of the independent film, "All Saints Day." Krinsky, one of the rising stars in the film industry, will be shooting his darkly comedic movie in the city.

The movie is about four estranged siblings from an Irish immigrant family that come back to Chelsea and try to get their oldest brother on to a better path

The story unfolds on All Saints Day, a Christian holiday that is celebrated on Nov. 1.

At Brandeis, he set the foundation to a career in film

Matt Aaron Krinsky grew up in Peabody, attended Cohen Hillel Marble-Academy in head, and graduated in 1996 from Peabody High School. During his formative years, he would often attend shows with his family at the North Shore Music Theatre in Beverly.

Matt graduated in 2000 from Brandeis University where he majored in psychology and minored in film studies and art histo-

"I was pre-med at first, but during my sophomore year I got an epiphany that I thought maybe I wanted to do something a little bit more creative," said Krinsky. "Basically, I ended up picking psychology as my major because I thought, how could an understanding of the human psyche not help a film director?"

He also attended a sum-

mer semester program in film studies at New York University (NYU).

Off To Hollywood

Following his graduation from Brandeis, "I somehow convinced my parents to let me move cross country to Hollywood," related Matt. "I had no job, no friends, not a lot of money. My mother and I had an epic road trip adventure across the country. She helped me look for an apartment for about a week, and then I stayed here, and she boarded a plane back home. That was 22 years ago in August."

Krinsky said he "got really lucky" and took his first job as a production assistant at Quentin Tarantino's production company.

"I observed and learned a lot in that position," said Matt. "Then I moved on and took a two-year acting conservatory program at the Baron Brown Studio in Santa Monica. I went to one audition for a manager, hated it, and realized I didn't want to be an actor. The experience in acting was incredible, though, because now one of my strengths is directing actors. I can speak their language. I understand their process and I have the utmost respect for their craft."

In 2005, He produced his first large-scale film, "An Eye For An Eye," starring Sally Kirkland, a past winner of a Golden Globe and a nominee for an Academy Award. "I got

to direct her, which was fun," said Matt.

During his career, Krinsky has directed several short films and worked with playwrights to develop new works in theatrical production.

Bringing "All Saints Day" to the big screen

Krinsky said his current film project, "All Saints Day" was seven years in the making.

"It started as a play called "All Saints in the Old Colony." Julianne Homokay was the playwright and she asked me to direct the first staged reading of it," recalled Krinsky. "We did one performance and as I was standing in the back of the room, I realized that this play lent itself well to a lower-budget indie film: a small cast, one main location, incredible dialogue, and lots of heart and hu-

Krinsky said he asked Homokay if she had any desire to adapt the play into a screenplay and do a feature movie and she agreed to join him in the project.

"It took about five years to put the project together, and the last two years, we started really getting ready to shoot it," said Krinsky. "We will be shooting the movie in Chelsea throughout December."

Matt Aaron Krinsky, once the little kid who would visit his grandparents in Chelsea, is now poised to bring some bigtime Hollywood excitement to the city.

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GreenRoots recently held a community meeting about the plans for the Forbes site, attended by DiDomenico, Senator Ed Markey, and other local and state leaders.

"For too long, communities like Chelsea have borne the brunt of environmental injustices,' Markey said. "Residents have experienced higher rates of air pollution and negative health impacts; the city is vulnerable to rising tides from climate

ty residents have lacked access to the beautiful waterfront along Chelsea Creek. Access to green, waterfront space is a clear environmental justice issue; Communities of color are three times as likely to live in nature-deprived areas as white Americans."

Markey went on to state that the Forbes Site serves as a unique opportunity to bridge critical environmental concerns with public access potential.

"For the past several

change; and communi- decades, this site has sat dormant, blocking Chelsea residents' access to the water's edge," he said. "Walkways, interpretative signage, nature preserves, and outdoor educational programming would enable the public to make use of the Forbes Site in a way they have never yet been able to do.

"Community event space would provide residents with the green spaces and waterfront access they have been denied for decades."

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housing."

Train added that the plan will encompass substantial community input and help guide investments in affordable housing, community development, housing stability, and social services.

An advisory committee f residents, local housing specialists, and community based organizations held its first meeting earlier this month and will meet again in December. Additional focus groups, interviews, events, and meetings will be part of

the community process "Community engagement is fundamental in this project," said Housing and Community Development Manager Erica McCarthy. "New and long-standing residents experience

various housing realities. Folks with disabilities, seniors, children, teens, and families have unique housing needs."

Once complete the Fair Housing Plan will offer a roadmap for the city and partner agencies to tackle entrenched barriers to fair housing

"While we as a society have collectively navigated our way through a pandemic, one of the emerging impacts has been an even wider economic disparity in our communities," said Candace Perez, the city's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion officer. "The insecurity of our economy is felt in all levels of our society, and this disparity is even more apparent in the space of housing and equitable opportunities

for a safe, affordable place to live. The City's Fair Housing Plan Initiative is focused on not only identifying the mitigating factors of housing inequality, but also advocating for the substantial allotment of quality housing developments in Chelsea and in our communities beyond."

She added that the Department of Diversity. Equity, and Inclusion is a collaborator and partner in this endeavor, ensuring that all residents - regardless of their socioeconomic status - have access to obtaining equitable, af-

fordable housing. It's anticipated that the plan will be completed by next summer. Anyone with input or questions can contact McCarthy at (617) 466-4197.

Boston Harbor Hotel announces lineup for 2023 Boston Wine and Food Festival

The Boston Harbor Hotel is continuing its celebrated tradition of presenting exceptional wine events and dinners with the return of its an-

nual Boston Wine and Food Festival this January 2023. The nation's longest-running wine and food festival will be directed by Boston Harbor Hotel Executive Chef David Daniels and longtime food and wine festival expert, Nancy Bean, along with Boston Harbor Hotel Wine Sommelier Nick Daddona.

Kicking off on January 12, this year's Boston Wine and Food Festival will feature an all-star lineup of intimate winemaker-hosted dinners, seminars, thematic receptions, and celebratory brunches at the iconic Boston Harbor Hotel. A portion of the proceeds from this year's festival will benefit the Greater Boston Food Bank and the James Beard Foundation.

"This year we will bring some new and exciting events and programming to the three-month long

hotel's Executive Chef, David Daniels, the hotel's advanced sommelier Nick Daddona, and respected wine festival veteran, Nancy Bean."

Tickets are available online now for purchase and will make a perfect holiday gift for the oenophile in your life. The upcoming Boston Wine and Food Festival features an array of events that will ignite the senses to lure both novice and expert wine aficionados out of the house this winter. The five-star Boston Harbor Hotel's 34th annual celebration will continue the tradition of welcoming top vintners and personalities from the world of wine and food. Events will run on the waterfront destina-

tion from January through

March, kicking off with



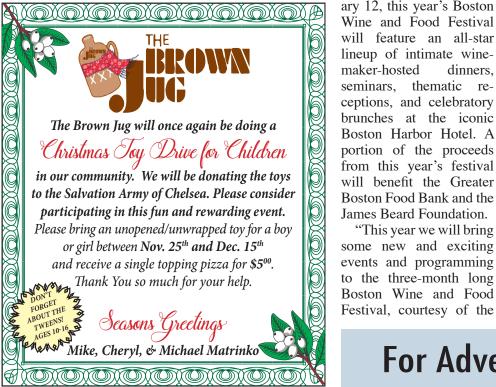
Shown is a couple enjoying last year's event.

the opening weekend on January 12, 2023. The exciting lineup of

wine dinners for 2023 will include Opus One (Napa), Staglin Family Vineyard, Far Niente (Napa Valley), Battle of the Cabs, Hitchhiking through Napa with Kevin Zraly, a Wine, Dine, Divine Women's

Leadership Dinner, and many more. Tickets to this year's

events are available on the website for pre-purchase. There is a special Boston Wine & Food Festival package for guests that will make a perfect holiday gift.



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Planning Board approves site plan for Revere Beach Parkway marijuana dispensary

By Adam Swift

The Planning Board approved a revised site plan for a marijuana dispensary at 320 Revere Beach Parkway at its Tuesday meeting.

The board also recommended the Zoning Board of Appeals grant special permits for the business proposed by the GVLP Corporation, doing business as Vide Verde.

A prior application for the site was previously approved by the Planning Board, but the project's proponents were back before the board with a revised plan that is smaller than the one that was initially approved. "Basically, they shrunk the size of the building considerably and are not using the second floor of the structure," said Anthony Rossi, the attorney representing the project owners. "By doing so, they increase the amount of parking on the site."

With the revised plan, there will be 16 parking spaces on site, one fewer than what is required under zoning regulations.

"Also, the green space and open space has increased as a result of taking a portion of the building down," said Rossi.

A marijuana dispensary is allowed by right at 320 Revere Beach Parkway. Rossi said the only zoning relief now required by the zoning board is for the parking.

A traffic and parking study prepared by the applicants showed there would only be a minimal increase in traffic over the current retail use, with about 50 car trips per hour.

"We spent a lot of time looking at parking, and we think that is the more critical issue," said traffic engineer Robert Michaud of MDM Transportation Consultants.

Currently, Michaud said there are only a few parking spaces on the property, and this causes some customers to park on Adams Street.

The estimated demand

for the marijuana dispensary would be about three to four vehicles on average, with a peak demand of 11 vehicles. Even with spots needed for employee parking, Michaud said the parking demands would be met by the spaces on the site.

While it is outside the purview of the planning and zoning boards, a member of the New Beginnings Church said her church currently occupies the second floor of the building and is a tenant at will. She said the owner of the building did not notify them that there was another tenant coming into the building.

Rossi noted that the dis-

pensary company does not own the building, but is only leasing it. However, he said the owner agreed that the second floor of the building would be vacated in order for the dispensary to come in, although they will not be using the second floor.

"While it may not be the best landlord-tenant relationship, it is still their relationship and not the Planning Board's relationship," said planning director John DePriest.

DePriest also noted that before Vide Verde goes before the zoning board for final special permit approvals later this month, it will need to submit more comprehensive security and signage plans for the business.

"Each case stands on its own," said DePriest. "We have not heard from the police department on the security plan. We had on the previous one, but not this one."

In other business, the Planning Board recommended the zoning board approve special permits and variances for a project at 168-172 Maverick St. for the construction of a four-family dwelling.

The project needs zoning relief because it does not meet the requirements for minimum lot area for a four-family structure.

Baker, Polito join roundtable discussion on opioid epidemic over the past eight years

Governor Charlie Baker and Lt. Governor Karyn Polito joined Health and Human Services Secretary Marylou Sudders, Attorney General Maura Healey, and leaders from the recovery community for a roundtable discussion on the Baker-Polito Administration's collaborative progress in confronting the opioid epidemic over the past eight years. The roundtable discussion was held at A New Way Peer Recovery Center in Quincy and included reflections from individuals and family members impacted by the opioid epidemic, as well as substance misuse providers and organizations. Roundtable participants included members of Governor Baker's 2015

Opioid Working Group. Since 2015, the Baker-Polito Administration has worked with the Legislature to support a fivefold increase in spending across the state budget to address substance misuse. with the Commonwealth investing nearly \$600 million in these initiatives in the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) budget signed by Governor Baker. The Administration also worked with the Legislature to pass two landmark laws to address the opioid epidemic: The first law, passed in 2016, instituted a first-in-the-nation 7-day limit on first time opioid prescriptions and instituted new requirements around prescription monitoring and substance misuse screenings. The second law, passed in 2018, improved access to treatment from settings such as emergency departments and the criminal justice system, and strengthened education and prevention

efforts.
"The opioid epidemic has impacted thousands of families and communities across Massachusetts, and



Governor Charlie Baker and Secretary of Health and Human Services Marylou Sudders.

we have partnered with many organizations, leaders and families over the past eight years to make the Commonwealth a national leader in responding to this challenge," said Governor Charlie Baker. "I am proud that our Administration and the Legislature have dramatically boosted funding that has increased access to treatment and recovery and enacted major laws that have become a model for other states and the nation. Most importantly, we have worked together to change the conversation and reduce stigma, which will help more people seek help and get the resources they need."

"Our administration has made tackling the opioid epidemic a priority since day one, and we have been proud to work with so many partners to expand access to treatment and support recovery and prevention efforts," said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. "Over the past eight years, Massachusetts has led the way in expanding substance misuse initiatives and getting people access to the help that they need."

The Baker-Polito Ad-

ministration has worked with a wide range of partners including treatment and recovery providers, advocacy organizations, individuals, families, the courts, law enforcement, educational institutions and many others to confront the opioid epidemic. After peaking in 2016, opioid-related overdose deaths fell for the next several years, with the November 2019 report showing 99 fewer deaths than the same period from a year earlier. The COVID-19 pandemic contributed to a nationwide increase in overdose deaths, but Massachusetts' numbers have continued to trend lower than nationwide figures, and the most recent report from the Department of Public Health (DPH) indicated that initial 2022 data showed overdose deaths decreasing again.

"Over the past eight years, we have made enormous strides in raising awareness and improving access to quality, equitable substance use disorder and behavioral health treatment across the Commonwealth," said Health and Human Services Secretary Ma-

rylou Sudders. "We have invested strategically in evidence-based resources and promising practices including peer recovery, clinical treatment, harm reduction, outreach programs and low-threshold housing, recognizing that every individual's path to recovery is unique."

"Combating the opioid crisis has been and will remain a top priority in Massachusetts," said Attorney General Maura Healey. "Together, with the Baker-Polito Administration, we have made meaningful progress in the fight against this epidemic and will continue to work toward justice, accountability, and improved access to treatment and recovery for

our communities." "A New Way Peer Recovery Support Center, hosted by Bay State Community Services, welcomes everyone impacted by substance use disorders," said Daurice Cox, Executive Director, Bay State Community Services. "We are a safe place that offers all pathways for recovery. Our staff use their lived experience, as people in recovery or as an ally in recovery, to provide support, compassion, understanding, and connection."

Baker-Polito Administration's Collaborative Record to Confront the Opioid Epidemic:

5X Increase in Substance Misuse Funding: Since taking office in 2015, the Baker-Polito Administration has worked with the Legislature to support a fivefold increase to state spending to address substance misuse. The FY23 budget signed by Governor Baker invests \$597 million in funding for substance misuse prevention, treatment and recovery programs across multiple state agencies, compared to \$119 million in FY15.

2016 Opioid Law: Shortly after taking office, the Administration worked with the Legislature to pass landmark legislation to tackle the opioid crisis. Key components include:

- A first-in-the-nation 7-day limit on first time adult opioid prescriptions and a 7-day limit on all opioid prescriptions for minors
- New requirements for clinicians to check the Prescription Monitoring Program database before prescribing
- New requirements for schools to conduct substance misuse screenings and strengthen addiction education

2018 Opioid Law: In 2018, the Administration worked with the Legislature to pass a second major law that strengthened the state's education and prevention efforts, expanded the role of recovery coaches, and improved access to treatment. Key components included:

 Additional requirements for prescribers around data reporting and the institution of a new, statewide standing order for naloxone from pharmacies • Created additional pathways to treatment from the emergency department, including more timely SUD evaluations and requirements to admit patients more quickly to treatment services

• Expanded the use of medication-assisted treatment in emergency departments, section 35 inpatient facilities and correctional facilities

Medical Education:
The Baker-Polito Administration partnered with the Commonwealth's medical, dental and social work schools to develop core competencies and require increased education on opioids for students.

Expanding Access to Life-Saving Naloxone: The Administration has expanded access to Naloxone including through a standing statewide order at pharmacies. The Commonwealth has distributed over 663,900 doses of naloxone and received over 34,800 reports of successful overdose reversals. In May 2022, the Administration launched a Community Naloxone Purchasing Program, which has already shipped 1,132 doses to community orga-

nizations.

Housing-Focused Harm Reduction: In the last two years, the Administration has provided \$22 million in funding to date for housing-focused harm reduction and recovery support initiatives. This includes initiatives designed to help people transition from street and shelter settings to housing opportunities that provide stability supports, helping individuals maintain their recovery and housing stability. The state maintains an open procurement to add additional low threshold housing capacity across the Commonwealth.



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PRINCE WILLIAM'S AND PRINCESS KATE'S VISIT TO ROCA CONTINUES THE LEG-ACY OF PRINCESS DIANA

We wish to extend a warm welcome to the Prince and Princess of Wales, Prince William and Princess Catherine, in anticipation of their visit to Chelsea today (Thursday) where they will stop in at the offices of Roca at 101 Park St. in Chelsea Square.

Since its founding in 1988, Roca has been working in the field of the intervention and prevention of urban violence among young men, offering a unique model that partners with local police departments and members of the community in an effort to show these young men that there is an alternative to street crime and violent

Roca also is one of the only organizations in the country working with a forgotten group of young mothers who are traumatized victims of abuse and neglect, teaching them the skills that these young women need to learn if they are to set themselves and their children on a path to success.

With urban crime rising at an alarming rate all across the United States, we are grateful to William and Kate for highlighting Roca's crucial role in breaking the cycle of violence in the communities it serves.

The Prince and Princess are in Boston for a threeday visit that will culminate on Friday evening when they will preside at the second annual Earthshot Prize awards ceremony at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. Inspired by President John F. Kennedy's "moonshot" speech, the Earthshot Prize is a global environmental prize that aims to discover and celebrate the best solutions to help repair the planet within the

King Charles, Prince William's father, has been in the forefront of advocating for solutions to the problem of However, it is the young royals' visit to Roca that

evokes memories of William's late mother, Princess Diana, who traveled the globe on behalf of countless causes, most notably bringing to world attention the tragedy of the AIDS epidemic in the 1980s and the horror of landmines in conflict zones in the 1990s.

It is heartening to see that William and Kate are continuing the tradition begun by Princess Diana (we still remember where we were when we heard the news of her death on September 6, 1997) by embarking on their own journey of activism for social change; to paraphrase President Kennedy, William and Kate are carrying the torch for a new generation of the royal family.

We would note that Gerrish Hall in Chelsea Square, which is across the street from Roca's offices at 101 Park St., was the site of a speech by Abraham Lincoln when he was a relatively unknown congressman from Illinois on September 19, 1848, during his two-week visit to Massachusetts on behalf of the Whig candidate for president, Zachary Taylor.

We trust that William and Kate's visit today, 174 years later, will prove to be equally historic.

HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THIS **HOLIDAY SEASON**

"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times." - Charles Dickens, A Tale of Two Cities

With Christmas fast approaching, most of us will be rushing about -- either to the stores and malls or on-line -- to do our holiday shopping in hopes of finding that "perfect" gift for our family members and loved ones.

Although economic uncertainty, spurred by record-high inflation, affects almost every American, most of us are doing okay, if not extremely well, thanks to record-low unemployment rates. However, the strong economy (from an employment standpoint) being enjoyed by the majority of Americans has not been shared by all. For a sizable number of our fellow citizens, the lingering effects of the pandemic, as well as the fraying of the fabric of our social safety net in recent years, have come together to create an existential disaster.

Millions of Americans of all ages, in a percentage greater than at any time since the Great Depression, are struggling financially, even if they have a job. According to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, more than 34 million Americans, including nine million children, are food in-

Far too many of our fellow citizens, including children, live either in shelters or in similar temporary housing arrangements -- or on the streets -- because the reality of our economy has left them out in the cold -- literally.

For these millions of Americans, the holiday season brings no joy.

Psychologists tell us that the Biblical directive, that we should give to those who are less fortunate, is the best gift that we can give to ourselves. Helping others activates regions of the brain associated with pleasure, social connection, and trust, creating the so-called "warm glow" effect.

Never in the lifetime of anybody reading this editorial has the need for contributions to local food banks been more urgent. There will be ample opportunity in the coming days to make the holidays brighter for those who are struggling just to get by, whether it be donations to local food banks and toy programs (such as the Winthrop Food Pantry or the Police Dept.'s Toy Drive) or even as simple as dropping a few dollars in the buckets

of the Salvation Army Santas. For those among us who are among the fortunate,

there is no excuse for failing to do so.

Forum

GUEST OP-ED

Christmas is in your heart

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

THE CHELSEA RECORD

Christmas once started for me when the JC Penny and Sears catalogs came in the mail. They came early in the Fall and I wore them out looking at the toy section. By December the catalogs where in shambles.

My mother used to order clothes and other stuff from those catalogs. I don't remember her ever ordering toys. They usually came from the five and dime store in our town of Inez, KY or G.C. Murphy's store in Paintsville. Yet, the catalogs were fun and gave me ideas of the latest items for which to wish and hope.

I think my mother would enjoy the Internet today. She could order online like many of us are doing. Having Internet in the country is like have an updated Christmas catalog every day. There is always a means to shop and order.

Back in that day ordering was tedious and arrival took weeks. Shipping back a dress that didn't fit was a long ordeal. As a child there was

always much more that I saw, dreamed of and wished for than I ever received. Some Christmases were lean and others were more abundant. Life is like that most of the time. We have hopes and wishes that never come true and some that do. It's nice when one or two come

We hope for good health and enough money to pay the bills. We hope for our children to have meaningful lives and to be independent. We hope for peace and to see positive results from our efforts in life. We would all like to be compensated well for the jobs we do. Being stuck in a job that is restraining with little hope of better wages is discouraging. Everyone deserves a life where internal inspiration can lead to reward and a better life.

The hardest part of life is when we feel hopeless. A terminal illness. Hard work with little to no reward. An empty house that isn't changing because you just buried a spouse. Failing when you may have tried hard or just decisions that didn't work out too well. All of these and more can be heartbreaking. Heartbreak doesn't do much for the Christmas spirit.

Those of us who have lived a few years know that Christmas doesn't come in a catalog, nor never did. It doesn't come on Black Fridays or cyber-Mondays. The multitude of Christmas programs don't bring Christmas. Decorated houses and trees are delightful but they don't create Christmas.

Christmas is an inside job. Christmas is in your heart and mind. The first

Christmas was a peasant couple giving birth to a baby in a barn with a cow's trough for a crib. They were poor and just paying their taxes was about all they could afford. Yet, the child brought a joy they had never experienced.

In Luke chapter 2:19 we read "but Mary treasured up all these things and pondered in her heart...' Consider what and mainly who brings you joy and what really matters in your life and let there be Christmas in your heart during this season.

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.

MassWildlife, the Nature Conservancy announce launch of BioMap

BioMap, a newly-updated online tool that identifies critical land and waterways throughout the Commonwealth in need of conservation, was released today by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game's (DFG) Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in Massachusetts. The web portal delivers the latest scientific data and resources to help state and local governments, land non-government organizations, and other conservation partners strategically plan projects to conserve wildlife and their habitats. The latest version of BioMap combines more than 40 years of rigorously documented rare species and natural community records from MassWildlife with cutting-edge climate resilience data from The Nature Conservancy and spatial data identifying intact fish and wildlife communities, habitats, and ecosystems that are the focus of the Massachusetts State

"BioMap is a robust online resource that helps people better understand and appreciate the natural resources in their communities and provides

Wildlife Action Plan.

information on where to strategically deploy limited resources to make real and lasting conservation impacts in Massachusetts," said Department of Fish and Game Commissioner Ron Amidon. "By making an investment in the strategic protection and stewardship of lands, we will better conserve natural areas throughout the state that provide all people with access to nature and outdoor recreation."

Through BioMap, users can gain a detailed understanding of habitats, species, and resilient landscapes, both locally and across the state. BioMap users can customize data and use the site's new online Habitat Restoration Resource Center to plan habitat management and land stewardship projects. Additionally, BioMap provides strategies to help communities prepare for, recover from, and adapt to climate change, while bolstering habitat resilience. Taken together, these efforts help to protect the state's extraordinary biodiversity now and into the

"BioMap is more than a map, it is a critical tool that offers a vision for the people of the Commonwealth

to come together to strategically protect, manage, and restore lands and waters that are most important for conserving biological diversity in Massachusetts now and well into the future," said MassWildlife Director Mark Tisa. The newest BioMap

enhanced incorporates knowledge of biodiversity and habitats and new understandings of how to ensure that natural systems are more resilient in the face of climate change. A major innovation is the addition of local data to BioMap, which complements state wide habitat information. Habitats assessed from the perspective of each city and town in the Commonwealth will inform local decision making. Furthermore, it includes the latest information on land use in Massachusetts, including a new focus on aquatic environments and habitat restoration tools.

"Massachusetts is home to a wide variety of plants and animals," said Deb Markowitz, TNC in Massachusetts State Director. "Our rich biodiversity is increasingly threatened by habitat loss and fragmentation, climate change, and invasive species. Since its inception, BioMap has become a trusted source of information to guide conservation that is used by a wide spectrum of conservation practitioners. The addition of local data will make BioMap applicable and relevant to many more people and communities, providing opportunities for equitable conservation."

BioMap is the result of an ongoing collaboration between MassWildlife and TNC in Massachusetts With similar missions, goals, and science-based approaches to conservation, MassWildlife and TNC are natural partners to produce and maintain BioMap. BioMap received support from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA), DFG, and numerous generous donors. For more information on how to use BioMap or to sign up for technical assistance trainings, please contact natural.heritage@mass.gov.

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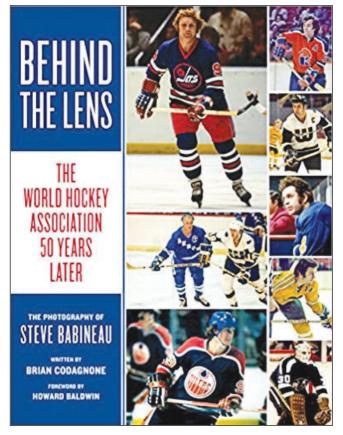
by Bob Morello

Bruins and the WHA

Usually major surprises occur for many people at Christmas time, but for Steve Babineau, it was October 12, 1972. Now a half-century later, it comes, the surprise for Babineau on that date, was that it was the beginning of a five-decade journey that even he couldn't have imagined. Obviously the quote by French writer Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr, back in the late 1800's "The more things change, the more they stay the same" still rings true, as Steve is still at it fifty years later in the position of Boston Bruins photographer. Back in 1972 Babineau was in attendance for the debut of the New England Whalers. They were taking on the Philadelphia Blazers at the old Boston Garden - and 'Babs' was shooting the action. Fifty years later, he's still photographing big-league sports events - but this lovingly curated collection Behind the Lens: The World Hockey Association (WHA) 50 Years Later, documents both his earliest published (and unseen) works and the wild emergence of the colorful, revolutionary, wild, and unforgettable

World Hockey Associa-In an era when rolls of film still had to be changed by hand and cameras were focused manually, when arena lighting was questionable and images had to be captured through the haze produced by smoking fans, Babineau captured it all: the timeless legends who were finally getting paid, the journeymen who finally got a shot at the pros, the 17-yearold (Wayne Gretzky) who would go on to rewrite record books, the brawls and goals, the glorious 'staches and flows, the highs and

Babineau's latest book titled Behind the Lens: The World Hockey Association 50 Years Later, has the Golden Jet (Bobby Hull) and the Howes (Gordie, Mark and Mar-



ty), the teams that seemed to change names and cities as often as some players changed wooden sticks, and even the true origin story of that Wayne Gretzky photo that's become the million-dollar holy grail for sports card collectors.

The WHA was the first major league to compete with the National Hockey League, since the challenge by the Western Hockey League in 1926, but it was the most successful in the modern era, although only able to exist from 1972 to 1979. During that short-lived existence, Babineau was able to record on film, and digitally, a solid record of the WHA players, unequalled by any other photographer. The infancy of the new league saw them signing 67 players away from the NHL, including Chicago Black Hawks star Bobby Hull, Bernie Parent, J.C. Tremblay, and notable former Bruins Teddy Green and Johnny "Pie" McKenzie, and off the active Boston roster, Gerry Cheevers and Derek Sanderson. At the time, the NHL tried to block several of the defections. The Boston Bruins attempted to restrain Sanderson and Cheevers from joining the WHA, though a United States federal court refused to

prohibit the signings.

With more and more WHA teams folding and financial problems mounting, the WHA finally came to an agreement with the NHL in early 1979. Under the deal, four WHA clubs - the Edmonton Oilers, New England Whalers (renamed the Hartford Whalers), Quebec Nordiques and Winnipeg Jets – joined the NHL as expansion franchises. The agreement officially took effect on June 22, 1979. Babineau's Behind the Lens: The World Hockey Association 50 Years Later, captures the names and the faces of the many players from the WHA. Not only stars as Wayne Gretzky, Mark Messier, but also future NHLers as Rick Vaive, Michel Goulet, Kenny Linseman, Rod Langway and more. This exciting book is filled with Babineau's amazing photos, timely descriptions written by Brian Codagnone, and a foreword penned by the Hartford Whalers' original owner, Howard Baldwin.

For a chance to be eligible to win a copy of Behind the Lens: The World Hockey Association 50 Years Later, email your name, address and phone number to: bobmorello@ comcast.net, to be received before Monday,

December 5.

Sounds of Christmas Concert program listed

The North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra (NSPO) will once again assemble around the altar at St. Anthony's Church for the Robert A. Marra Memorial "Sounds of Christmas" Concert Sunday, December 4, continuing a tradition that began in 1976. Admission to the concert is free in exchange for a generous donation of non-perishable food to benefit the Revere Food Pantry. Patrons are asked to bring their food in a sturdy box or bag. The concert begins at 4 p.m. The concert is principally sponsored by Bocchino Insurance Agency, Massport, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Xfinity, Astound Broadband, and Action Emergency Services.

The program includes a holiday essay written by Revere High School Senior Madison Lucchesi. A talented writer and poet, her poem "Salutary Neglect" was featured last year in EmersonWRITES, a creative writing program by the Office of Enrollment and Student Success and the First Year Writing program at Emerson Col-

lege. The concert is named in memory of Robert A. Marra Sr., a violinist who was one of the original members of the North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra in 1948. A lifelong resident of Revere, he was instrumental in beginning the Christmas concert tradition, and the concert was named in his honor after his death in 2002.

The North Shore Phil-



The NSPO plays from the altar at St. Anthony's Church.



Members of the NSPO performing in a previous Sounds of Christmas concert.

harmonic Orchestra plays three classical music concerts each year at Swampscott High School. more information and concert schedules visit www.

The program is as fol-

The North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra Robert Lehmann, **Music Director** Malinda Haslett, soprano

Overture to The Gypsy Baron — JohannStrauss Jr., Gesu Bambino, Pietro Yon, arr. William Ryden, Malinda Haslett, soprano Selections from "The

Pyotr Nutcracker" Tchaikovsky, March and

Waltz of the Flowers

Alleluja from Exsultate Jubilate — Wolfgang Mozart, Ms. Haslett, soprano

An Original Christmas Essay - Madison Lucchesi, RHS Class of 2023

Polar Express Suite 6 — Alan Silvestri

Hanukkah Medley Lucas Richman, Ms.

Haslett, soprano Carol of the Bells — Mykola Leontovich,

White Christmas -Irving Berlin, arr. Robert Russell Bennett, Ms. Haslett, soprano

Christmas Singalong — arr. John Finnegan, Ms. Haslett, soprano and the entire audience

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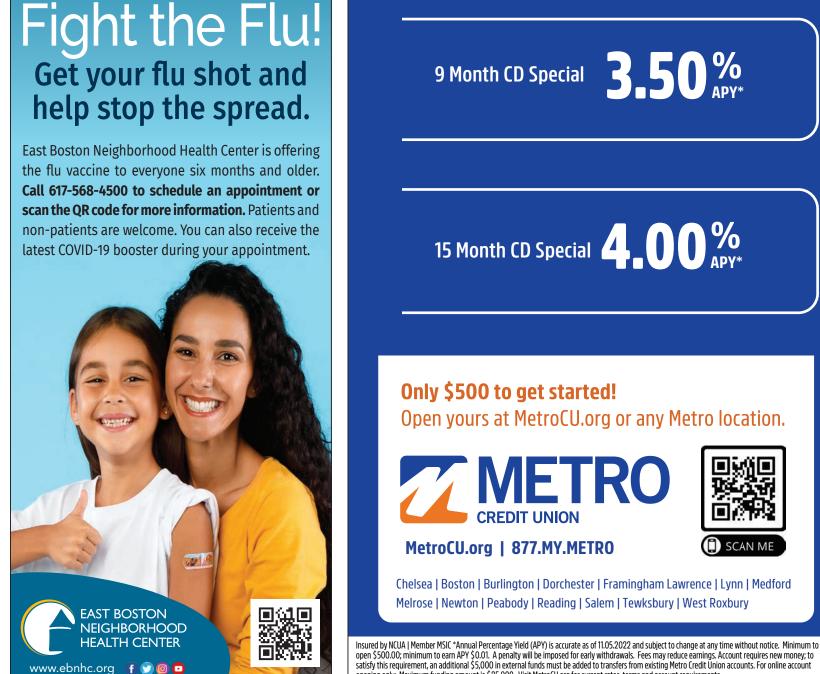
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SURPRISE 30TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR KYLE UMEMBA

-Kyle Umemba had a busy day ahead with a trip to Berlin for an international fashion shoot. He had just traveled in from London where he had modeled the latest fashions.

But Kyle Umemba was in Chelsea for his 30th surprise birthday celebration, and it was a night to remember.

Family and friends, many dressed in Halloween costumes, packed the Polish Political Club function hall to honor Kyle on the milestone birthday.

"It feels amazing to be here," said Kyle, who is a model and works in the finance industry for PWC. "I would not want to be anywhere else in the world. I'm home with my family and the people I love. You can travel anywhere, but there's nothing like Chelsea."

The son of Kenneth Umemba and CBC President Joan Cromwell, Kyle

has become a prominent community leader. He and his friend, Cesar Castro, have built the area's most exciting basketball tournament, "Let It Fly," which is held at Chelsea High School each summer.

Kyle said he was in fact, surprised. "I thought I was coming to my sister's baby shower. I had no idea. This is wild."

Kyle thanked his parents for all their support throughout his successful academic, athletic, financial services, and modeling careers.

"They're the best. I wouldn't be who I am without them. They motivated me, they shaped me, and they've done everything for me. I'm so grateful for their direction, their guidance, their love, and their trust – I'm so thankful for the family and friends that I've been blessed to be in the presence of."



At the DJ booth providing the musical entertainment are Mannix Resto Jr. and Maxwell Elgart.



Claudia Dias and Celeste Williams.



honor Kyle Umemba upon his arrival for his 30th birthday celebration.



Guest of honor Kyle Umemba arrives for his 30th birthday surprise party at the Polish Political Club.



well, Kyle Umemba, and Cesar Castro.



John Perkins and Debra Treanor-Perkins.



Michael Caulfield and Sharon Caulfield.



Maria Schneiderman Cheevers and Maureen Lee.



Michael Fields, Larry Elgart, and John Martin.



John Hassell and Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jennifer Hassell, with Jaylen Hassell and Juliana "JuJu" Hassell.

sister, Jessey Lopez, mother Joan Cromwell, brother, Kingsley Umemba, and sister Jayde





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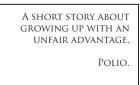
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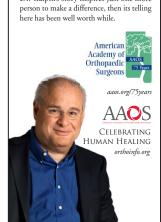
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As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease. But Jeffrey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





Sports

THE CHS RED DEVILS FALL TO CATHEDRAL HIGH 34-7 IN THANKSGIVING DAY GAME

The Red Devils of Chelsea High faced off against the Purple Panthers of Cathedral High School of Wilbraham last Wednesday evening at CHS Field. This game accounted for the annual Thanksgiving Game, usually played on then Thursday morning.

The Red Devils gave a great effort on defense in the first half, but the offense failed any scoring attempts.

CHS managed to put up 7 points before the game ended, with the final score or 34-7.



QB Angel Lino lines up behind center Jonathan Barrientos.



Despite a great running game by RB Captain Herman Esquivel Mendez, CHS only scored 7 points against the Purple Panthers of Cathedral High School



Jaiven Dian breaks through the line for a CHS gain.



Rood Jerry-Pierre drags down a rushing Panther.



Alexander Cano punting for the Red Devils.



QB Duane Davis on an end around runs into a host of Purple Panthers.



The CHS Captains head to mid-field for the coin toss, Theodore Joseph-Seale, Kenneth Bonilla, Ali Warsame, Justin Reyes and Herman Mendez.



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LA COLABORATIVA HOLDS FOOD GIVEAWAY

La Colaborativa, which is under the direction of Gladys Vega, held a massive food giveaway event under the Route 1 Viaduct at 63 Sixth Street. Over \$200,000 in food products

were distributed to all who came throughout the day. United States Senator Ed Markey came to see the operation for himself and helped in the distribution.

PHOTOS BY DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN



Melanie, Norma, and Pamela wait for the bus after receiving their food from La Colaborativa's giveaway.



People make their way through each station to fill their boxes and bags with food.



Limne Sulee with her son Bradley make their way through the line.



Eddi Carlito proudly holds her turkey while looking forward to the fun she will have with her family on Thanksgiving.



United States Senator Ed Markey (center) with La Colaborativa Community Organizer Natalia Restrepo and Health Equity Promoter Anais Rodriguez.



Jillian Lazo with famed clown roaming the streets of Chelsea, Azuca Rin.



United States Senator Ed Markey with Maria, Sophia, and Kelly Pinto.



United States Senator Ed Markey assists in distributing food.



United States Senator Ed Markey, with a local family.



United States Senator Ed Markey assists in distributing



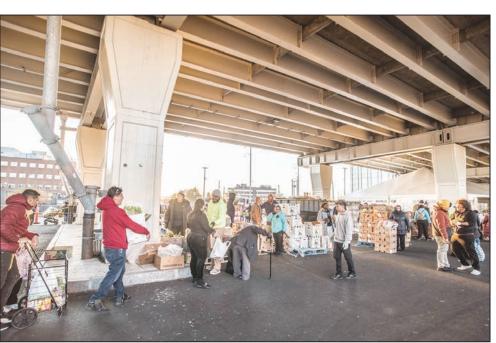
United States Senator Ed Markey speaks with Norieliz DeJesus, Chelsea City Councilor and Director of Policy and Organizing for La Colaborativa.



United States Senator Ed Markey speaks with La Colaborativa staff after arriving to view their efforts.



A long line of people await to receive their food packages from La Colaborativa.



People make their way through each station to fill their boxes and bags with food.



La Colaborativa's operation took over the parking lots underneath the Rt 1 Viaduct.

OBITUARIES

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Tomas Quintanilla

Of Chelsea

Tomas Ovidio Guzman Quintanilla a resident of Chelsea for several years, passed away on Tuesday, November 1.

he beloved son of Rosalio Moreno Guzman and Maria Sara Quintanilla de Guzman of San Lorenzo El Salvador, Tomas was born and raised in Obrajuela, El Salvador. came to the United States, settled in Chelsea and worked as a produce handler and warehouseman for Boston Tomato Co.

Final services will be held in El Salvador with Tomas being placed to rest in San Lorenzo ES.

Local arrangements and transportation were given to the care and direction of the Welsh Funeral Home.

For online guest book or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit; www.WelshFH.com.



Dick "Dickie" Fong

Longtime well known Chelsea resident

Dick "Dickie" Fong passed away on Tuesday, November 29 after a brief decline in health. He was 96 years of age. Born and raised in

Canton, China, he was the second eldest child of Sek Haw Kwong and Kim Chow Wong. He gained his early education in China and as a young man, he settled in Hong Kong, where he met and married Joyce Chin in 1953. Several years later, in 1960, he came to the United States, bringing his family and immediately settled in Chelsea.

In 1961, he established the Prattville Laundry and continually operated the laundry with his wife until 1974. Leaving the laundry business, "Dickie" began waitering for the August Moon Restaurant in Revere and soon became a popular waiter there. After retiring from "the Moon" in 1994, he continued part time work at the Jade Restaurant in Peabody and assisting at a laundry in Newton.

In his lifetime, he was a proclaimed people watcher and would enjoy sitting for hours on end at his favorite bench in the Boston Public Gardens near the Swan Boats. He also favored Revere Beach and visiting various shopping malls in wintertime.

His favorite game of chance was playing "Let it Ride" and he was a great all sports spectator. He enjoyed watching Spanish Soccer, even though he did not speak or understand Spanish, he still loved watching those games. He was an elder member of the Soo Yuen Benevolent Assoc, Boston Chapter and the Q-Sing in Chinatown.

In addition to his parents, he was also prede-



ceased by four brothers and his only sister. After 58 years of marriage, he was widowed in 2011 with the passing of his beloved wife, Joyce (Chin) Fong. He was the devoted father of John Fong of Chelsea, May Fox and her husband, Norman of Francestown, NH, David Fong and his wife, Nicole of Halifax, Susie McDonald and her husband, James of Concord and Patty Calabrese and her husband, James of Lynn and dear brother of Dick Fong of Canada. He is also survived by nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Visiting hours will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea

on Tuesday, December 6 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. His Funeral will be from the Welsh Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 7 at 11 a.m. Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Should friends desire, contributions in Dick's name may be made to a charity of their choice.

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

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John Carolan

Licensed Master Plumber

John M. Carolan, 62, passed away unexpectedly in his Saugus home on Saturday, November 26.

Born and raised in Chelsea, the beloved son of the late CFD (Ret.) Francis X. "Frank" Carolan and Dorothea M. Dot (Dolan) Carolan, John attended local schools and graduated from Northeast Vocational High School. He was a Licensed Master Plumber and worked in the maintenance Dept at the Mass. General Hospital for 25

He was a longtime resident of Chelsea and Lynnfield and also spent some time living in Palmetto, Fl and Peabody. He was married to Patrice Slater and raised two sons. In his lifetime John was most devoted to spending time with his sons following the NE Patriots, traveling to Nova Scotia, Cape Cod and Dennis Port.

He is survived by his wife, Patrice of Lynnfield, his sons, Jack Slater Carolan and Harris Slater Carolan, both of Lynnfield. He was the dear brother of: Margaret A. Bolognese and her husband, James of Chelsea, Frank P. Carolan and his wife, Doreen of Florida and Revere, Paul



T, Carolan of Peabody and Maureen Carolan of New Hampshire. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, many friends and extended family members. Relatives and friends

are most kindly invited to attend a memorial gathering and remembrance service to be held at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Monday, December 5 from 4 to 6 p.m. Should friends desire, contributions in John's memory may be made to the charity of their choice.

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

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Matilde Andrade

Of East Boston

Matilde Andrade of East Boston passed away on Friday, November 25 after a brief illness. Born and raised in Jocoro el Pa-

El Salvador, she was the second eldest of ten children of Alejandro Miranda and Evangelina Andrade. She married Jose Salvador Solis and raised her family

She settled in East Boston and lived there for the past 35 years.

Matilde worked locally as a residential housekeeper for many years. She was a talented cook and enjoyed preparing

Salvadoran dishes of Tamales, Pupusas, soup, and learned to enjoy making lasagna.

She is survived by her son, Carlos Andrade of Chelsea, her four daughters: Sonia Cruz of Chelsea, Rosa Andrade and Yesinia Andrade, both of East Boston and Marisela Andrade of Chelsea. She is also survived by numerous grandchildren and four great grandchildren.



Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend her funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea, today, Thursday, December 1 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Rose Church, 600 Broadway, Chelsea at 10 a.m.

Services will conclude with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

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Gladys Francisca Ortiz

Devoted Catholic

Gladys Francisca Ortiz, 83, passed away suddenly on Saturday November 26 after being stricken in her home. Born in Barrantas,

Puerto Rico she was one of twelve children of Teodoro Ortiz and Maria de la Paz Rivera. She came to the local area in the early 90's and resided in Lowell and Chelsea. In her lifetime, Gladys was a very devoted Catholic and was a member of the St. Rose Community, she would frequently bring fresh cut flowers to honor the blessed mother.

She is lovingly remembered for her impeccable style and dress, her independent nature, and her lively and spirited personality.

She was the devoted mother and mother-in-law of: Jose Torres and his wife, Norma of Chelsea, Yvonne Torres and her wife, Helen Soto of Lawrence, Marlin Torres and her wife, Joanna Torres of Lowell, Nilsa J. Torres and her husband, Samuel Ramos of Coamo, PR and Gladys L. Torres of Lowell; cherished grandmother Abuela of Nitza J Ramos, Yaiset E Ramos, Samuel Ramos, Jinny L Natal, Jimmy Natal, Melany Natal, Keira Z Torres, Kristopher Torres, Kiara Torres, Frances S Alvarez, Gary E Alvarez, Adrianna Rivera, Jolin Torres and Aiden Torres; adored great grandmother of 14



and dear sister of Fransisco, Junior, Edilberto, Fredy, Orlando, Milagro, Minerva, Gloria, Carmin Ortiz Rivera and the late Maritza and Edwin Ortiz Rivera.

Visiting hours will be

held from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broad-Chelsea way, today, Thursday, December 1 from 4 to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend. Funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday, December 2 at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Rose Church, 600 Broadway, Chelsea. Final services and burial will be held in Puerto Rico with Gladys being placed to rest in Los Cipreses

Cementerio in amon Puerto Rico.

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

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Saul Armando Ramos

Truck Driver

Saul Armando Ramos, 53, passed away suddenly in his Chelsea home on Tuesday, November 22.

Born and raised in Apastepéque, El Salvador a beloved son of the late Esteban Ramos and Rogelia Emelda Flores, Saul worked as a truck driver and deliveryman for Boston Produce in the NE Produce Market in Everett.

was married to He Glenda Ivelisse Diaz and had a son Saul Ramos, both of Chelsea. He is also survived locally by brothers: Mario Ramos and Juan Ramos of Chelsea and Carlos Ramos of Waltham. A private farewell gathering was held locally, Saul will be returned to EL Salvador for final services and will be laid to



rest in Parque Memorial "Las Colinas" Ilopango EL Salvador.

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

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

COSTA APPOINTED LIAISON TO

PLANNING BOARD

EVERETT - The City Council's Legislative Affairs Committee appointed Ward 3 Councilor Darren Costa as the Council's liaison to the Planning Board and the Planning and Development Department at its Nov. 14 subcommittee meeting.

In his new position, Costa said he will report back findings from Planning Board meetings to his colleagues on the City Council. He indicated that Ward 3 residents have approached him about "revisiting some of the business zoning" regulations that haven't been modified in several years.

Costa is a graduate of Fairfield University and holds an MBA degree from Suffolk University with a concentration in accounting and finance.

Councilor-at-Large Stephanie Smith was named an alternate for the position.

WU OPENS NEW SENIOR CENTER

EAST BOSTON - Mayor Michelle Wu, in partnership with Massport, announced the opening of a new city-owned senior center in East Boston, located at 7 Bayswater Street. Mayor Wu joined Massport, elected officials and community members

involved with advocating for the new center at a ribbon cutting Wednesday, on the one year anniversary of her taking office as Mayor. The center will be operated by the Age Strong Commission and managed by the Property Management Department. "This new, accessible

senior center in East Boston will expand opportunities for our older adults to connect and build community," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "I'm grateful to all our City departments, local partners, and community members that have advocated for years to make today's opening a reality." The East Boston Senior

Center, based on community input, will offer programs and services for older adults (Boston residents age 60+) starting December 1. The center will provide lunch on weekdays, as well as classes for wellness, entertainment, and more. Between now and December 1, the center will offer tours to interested community members, November 21-23 and 28-30, during regular hours, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

"This new senior center in East Boston will raise the bar for senior programming in Boston and is a great example of what can happen when the City partners with residents and entities like MassPort to serve a critical neigh-

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borhood need," said Chief of Human Services, José F. Massó. "We're excited to be able to offer programming that will resonate with all the diverse groups of older adults that make up East Boston."

"Socialization, connec-

tion, and community are vital to human wellbeing," said Emily K. Shea, Age Strong Commissioner. "Research shows that people who have friends and participate in activities are more healthy and live longer. The new center will provide a place for our older residents to connect with each other and engage in a richer, healthier "This was a great col-

laborative effort between PFD, Age Strong, and Property Management," said Chief of Operations Dion Irish. "The renovation allows for additional programming and services while the new addition enhances accessibility with respect to its existing urban setting." Formerly serving as

the East Boston Barnes Branch of the Boston Public Library, the construction of the new center site officially started in September 2020 and was led by the City's Public Facilities Department. New additions and renovation of the site were initially delayed due to COVID-19 pandemic and supply chain issues. This project, with a focus on accessibility for older adults, consisted of over 20 external partners, including the architect, Fennick McCredie Architecture (FMA), and general contractor, GVW Construction (GVW). Additionally, Lifespan Design was brought on as a consultant for their expertise in senior center features, which was noted in the RFP.

The new center consists of two levels, with modern, accessibility features for older adults including an elevator (upgraded from a lift), wave/sensor door openings instead of push buttons, tables that wheelchairs can easily roll up to, bright lighting, a hearing loop system (hearing aids can connect to), and stairs with step-grippers. The center's restrooms are large enough to include a care partner, wheelchair, or walker and include dual grab bars and toilet seats of different heights to accommodate older adults of varied heights. Light switches are installed at a lower height and electrical outlets higher to accommodate older adults as they bend. Outside of the center, there is a walking path in the backyard to cue folks with memory loss as well as raised garden beds, so older adults can participate in gardening either from a wheelchair or without steep bending.

tal civic space for our seniors comes after decades

"The opening of this vi-

by Valerie Sutherland

of advocacy from many individuals," said City Councilor Gabriela Coletta. "I am so grateful to the community members, former and current elected officials, and Massport for making this dream a reality. The center will be a hub of activity and bring people together for years to come."

"Supporting our seniors is one of the most important things we can do as a community and a city, thank you, Mayor Michelle Wu, the Age Strong Commission, Public Facilities, members of the East Boston Community, and MassPort for your work in bringing a new Senior Center to East Boston," said State Senator Lydia Edwards.

"I'm excited to see the long-awaited dream of the East Boston Senior Center finally realized," said Representative Adrian Madaro. "This is something that I have advocated for throughout my time in office. Our seniors are the bedrock of our community, and this new state of the art center will provide East Boston's elders with a dedicated space to gather, participate in enriching activities, and access supports and resources. Thank you to the city's Age Strong team and Mayor Wu for helping us get the Senior Center across the finish line!"

The City committed \$6.5 million in the capital

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"Massport is pleased to partner with the City of Boston and support the new East Boston senior center, which will deliver important services and programming,' said Massport CEO Lisa Wieland. "We are glad to see the community's hard work and dedication over the years coming together in this terrific new asset for East Boston."

The new center will be led by Age Strong's Lina Tramelli and Luz Leal, both bilingual in English and Spanish, to serve East Boston's diverse community of older adults. Visit www.boston.gov/ebsc or call 617-461-3131 for more information.

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Hearing of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission will be held on: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. City Council Chambers 500 Broadway Pursuant to Section 6-3 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment regarding the removal of the two parking spaces directly in front of the Shop and Go, located at

Per Order Chief Keith E. Houghton Chairperson 11/17/22, 12/01/22

354 Washington Avenue.

COMMONWEALTH

LEGAL NOTICE OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT **Suffolk Division** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR **FORMAL** ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P2152EA Estate of: Elena Josephine Zullo Date of Death: 09/01/2014 To all interest persons: A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by William Festa of Peabody, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such

other relief as requested

The Petitioner requests

that: William Festa of

Peabody, MA be appoint-

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tative(s) of said estate to

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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 12/22/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED AD-MINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised ad ministration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court, Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the including the distribution of assets and expenses of Dunn, First Justice of this

Court in any matter relating to the estate, administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Court. Date: November 08,

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> COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate** And Family Court 24 New Chardon St.

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Boston, MA 02114 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT

Register of Probate 12/01/22 **LEGAL NOTICE**

Felix D. Arroyo,

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Harbor House Collective 80 Eastern Avenue, Chelsea, MA Commission, December 8, 2022 Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Chelsea Licensing Commission on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Conference Room, Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA, to amend the recreational marijuana establishment licesne by adding medical marijuana for Jolo Can, LLC d/b/a Harbor House Collective, 80 Eastern Avenue, Chelsea, MA. Please be advised that you must notify, via Certified Return Receipt mail, all abutters to the licensed premise. CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION Naomi Libran Licensing Administrator 11/17/22, 12/01/22

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THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate **And Family Court** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P2593EA Estate of: Richard G. Collette Date of Death: 02/07/2022 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative

has been filed by Keith

M. Collette of West War-

wick, RI requesting that

the court enter a formal

requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Keith M. Collette of West Warwick, RI 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 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 12/30/2022. 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 (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED AD-MINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS (MUPC)

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: November 18,

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Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, dated November 26, 2003 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 33392, Page 35 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2004-A, Mortgage-Backed 2004-A is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for Fremont Home Loan Trust 2004-A, Mortgage-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-A dated May 7, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 49648, Page 85, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 250 Congress Avenue, Unit No. 38, of the Willow Park Condominiums, Chelsea, MA 02150 will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 AM on December 20, 2022, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The Unit described as #38 in the Willow Park Condominium, City of Chelsea, County of Suffolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, created by Master Deed dated February 25, 1987, and

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in-person public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at The Williams School **Building located at 180**

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THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION** NOTICE Docket No. SU22P2453EA Estate of: Vincent Peter Gulizia Also Known As: Vincent P. Gulizia, Vincent Gulizia Date of Death: 03/04/2008 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Anthony J. Gulizia of Revere, MA A will has been admitted to informal probate. Anthony J. Gulizia of Revere, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory

HSBC Bank USA, National and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative 11/23/22, 12/01/22, and can petition the

relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of **LEGAL NOTICE** administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal

Court in any matter

Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, Petitioner.

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booster organization, paid tribute to Hoffman's 25 years of calling Everett Crimson Tide football with the presentation of its Citation of Achievement Award.

With his proud granddaughter, CBS Sports writer Shanna McCarriston, in attendance, Hoffman accepted the club's highest award at the E Club Dinner Nov. 17 at Spinelli's, Lynnfield.

Hoffman has been the Crimson Tide play-byplay announcer for 25 years, with Lynn resident Paul Halloran serving as the duo's outstanding color analyst. The Hoffman-Halloran tandem was in the broadcast booth for Everett's incredible run of state championships under the leadership of head coach John DiBiaso.

Hoffman delivered a heartwarming acceptance speech that was followed by enthusiastic applause from the dignitaries and guests at the awards banquet.

"I have a lot of great memories," said Hoffman. "I made a lot of great friends with the coaches, the players, the fans in the stands. I got to watch the Crimson Tide band."

Hoffman recalled that "Bippy" Manuel was his early broadcast partner before Halloran became his longtime teammate in the booth.

"They did a great job for me. They made me look good. They carried me and made sure I did what I was supposed to do," Hoffman said humbly.

Hoffman also thanked broadcast coordinator Josh Del Gaizo, the technical crew, and the videographers for their assistance during games, sometimes amid inclement weather conditions.

"I have a lot of great memories of all the games and the great players and coaches," said Hoffman. "This is like the cherry on the sundae for me, being here tonight and being honored in this way by Everett. Everett is a big piece of my family and I am very blessed to be a very small piece of the Crimson Tide football program who I consider to be the best program in the state.

"Thank you and God bless you all," Hoffman said in concluding his remarks.

Hoffman continues to serve as the TV-15 play-by-play announcer for Lynn high school sports. Hoffman's annual year-ending All-Star Awards Party, in which he and TV-15 honor the top student-athletes in the city, has become a much-anticipated and much-appreciated event on the Lynn sports calendar.

FERRY UPDATE **GIVEN**

WINTHROP - The Winthrop Ferry looks to be in the shop for the winter, but should be good to resume services in the spring, according to Town Manager Tony Marino. The 53-foot Valkyrie

ferry is a partnership between Winthrop and Quincy and operates between those two municipalities and the Boston Seaport. This season, the ferry began operating weekdays at

the end of May. According to Marino, this year's season ended a

little earlier than expected. "The ferry has been down for the last couple of weeks," Marino told the Town Council last week.

"We had some engine issues and towed it to Newburyport for repairs."

The ferry will likely need a new engine, and Marino said the town was getting an estimate on how much that would cost. "That means the ferry

will be down for the re-

mainder of the season, but

we hope to get it back up and running and ready to go by March," said Mari-In other business, Marino said the town has advertised for the new Chief Financial Officer position,

and the schools. "We are hoping to get some qualified candidates for that," he said.

which will be shared by

the municipal government

Earlier in the fall, Marino said the position would not replace any positions on the school or town sides, and that school business officer manager Noel Velez and assistant CFO Robert Powers would both report to the new position.

While the CFO would oversee some of the big picture items, such as end of the year reports, Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard said the business office would still oversee the day to day financial concerns of the school department.

Marino also noted that he will be updating the Town Council on trash rates at its next meeting.

"We have a pretty solid draft put together right now," he said.

The town is also seeking proposals for legal services, Marino added.

"We did put out an RFP for legal services to see what is out there," he said. "Obviously, (current legal firm KP Law) will put in a bid, but there are other town counsel services out there, so they will be due to my office by Nov. 30."

COUNCIL DISCUSS-**AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

REVERE - Ward 4 City Councillor Patrick Keefe wants to see what the city's new Affordable House Trust committee can accomplish before moving ahead with a motion he recently filed asking the city to look at using underutilized space to increase affordability options for senior citizens.

"I didn't get much of a formal response, but I did speak to some people in the mayor's office, as well as with the mayor himself in regards to their doing more with affordable housing in the city," said Keefe at a recent council economic development subcommittee meeting. "The Affordable Housing Trust and trustees are still getting their feet beneath them, so I think granting them some more time to get up to speed to research what type of funding they will need to make certain things happen."

Last year, the City Council approved the establishment of an affordable housing trust, which specifically sets aside money to establish and promote affordable home ownership and rental opportunities. Earlier this year, however, the council voted down an inclusionary zoning proposal that would have set aside a certain percentage of new development as affordable units.

"I also spoke to the director of Revere Housing, and he gave some really good points on what they can and cannot do, and there are some hurdles to overcome when it comes to what the Revere Housing Authority can do," said Keefe. "But I think everyone has the right intentions, I would just like to see if there is a little more of that official collaboration on what we can control."

In regards to the proposed inclusionary zoning changes that failed several

months ago, Keefe said he would like to see if the city can work to increase affordable housing opportunities with the boards it already has.

Council President Gerry Visconti noted that the Affordable Housing Trust Committee just recently held its first meeting.

"Once they get off and running, we can figure out

what is the appetite there, and get more information from them," said Visconti.

In other business, the development economic subcommittee recommended the council accept a donation of land on Revere Beach Parkway from Paul Ferragamo for conservation purposes.

Last year, the council expressed concerns about the state of the property, Councillor-at-Large Marc Silvestri said he recently went by the property and that it looked like it was in a more acceptable condition.

The full City Council later approved accepting the half-acre parcel from Ferragamo.





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Mass Lottery celebrates 50th anniversary at State House event

Deborah B. Goldberg.

"When Prop 2 ½ was ad-

opted in the early 1970's,

The Massachusetts State Lottery commemorated its 50th Anniversary with a celebration of its customers, retailers, employees, and the communities that the Lottery supports, all of whom have played an important role in the Lot-

five decades.

The celebration, which took place at the Massa-

Treasurer Bob Crane unchusetts State House, inderstood the negative imcluded a live drawing of the pacts it would have on Midday Numbers Game at local communities," said the Grand Staircase host-Treasurer Goldberg. "It ed by State Treasurer and was his vision that creat-Chair of the Massachusetts ed a lottery whose profits State Lottery Commission tery's success over the past became the one reliable source of unrestricted local THE CHELSEA RECORD aid that people throughout the state have come to rely on. We have built upon that legacy and hope through collaboration, innovation, and good business practices to continue for another 50 years." Prior to the drawing, Governor Charlie Baker presented Treasurer Goldberg with a Citation com-2 COL memorating the Lottery's milestone achievement. "The Lottery has been all that anybody back in the beginning could have IN COLOR AT hoped for and then some, and I'm thrilled to be here

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erything you've done." Since selling its first ticket on March 22, 1972, the Mass Lottery has generated over \$143 billion in revenues, awarded over \$100 billion in prizes, returned over \$31 billion in net profit to the Commonwealth for unrestricted local aid provided to cities and towns, and paid over \$8 billion in commissions and bonuses to its statewide network of retailers.

to be a part of this celebra-

tion today," said Governor

Baker. "Thank you for ev-

"As we look towards our next 50 years, we make this commitment today to continue to innovate, to continue to come out with new and exciting lottery products, and to continue on with the State of Winning, which since 1972 has generated over to our players," said Mark William Bracken, Interim Executive Director of the Mass Lottery and host of

the event.

Additional speakers included Senate President Karen Spilka, Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante of Gloucester, Mayor of Newton and President of the Massachusetts Municipal Association Ruthanne Fuller, and Gary Park, owner of Gary's Liquors in Chestnut Hill, a Lottery retail partner since 1972.

"The Lottery is so important to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in so many ways," said Senate President Spilka. "As a former chair of Ways and Means, especially when financial times were not so rosy, I have to tell you how valued and how critical the partnership with the Lottery was then and continues to be now to ensure that we continue to give the resources to our cities and towns that they all need so dearly."

"We can fully appreciate and comprehend what it means to have a billion dollars to put into the budget to help cities and towns with the things that matter," said Representative Ferrante. "Sometimes, it's not the big things, it's the smaller things, like the ability to improve a school playground, to do the things that matter to the people that have been so supportive of the Lottery over time."

"Last year, it was \$1.1 billion that was distributed to the 351 cities and towns here in the Commonwealth, and they allowed us, with that unrestricted aid, to help our residents and our businesses at a re-



State Treasurer and Chair of the Massachusetts State Lottery Commission Deborah B. Goldberg stands with mascots Blades (Bruins), Lucky (Celtics) and Wally (Red Sox) all participated in the festivities.

Mayor Fuller. "For us, it translated into teachers in schools, police on the streets, and firefighters available during emergencies. DPW workers paving our streets and clearing the snow. Social workers and counselors meeting the mental health needs of our residents and our children, and so much more."

"The Lottery has been fantastic for us and fantastic for a lot of Lottery agents throughout the state," said Park, a third-generation owner who was joined at the event by his father Barry. "The commissions have helped us improve our business, the claims bonuses over the years I know went towards my and my brother's and my sister's college educations. The amazing thing about the Lottery is the amount of people that it brings into a lot of small family-run

local businesses." The event featured a live performance by local musician Andy Brink, winner of the Lottery's "Sound of Winning" jingle contest. Brink's jingle, "Everyone's a Winner in the Commonwealth," was incorporated niversary advertising cam-

paign earlier this year. At the conclusion of the speaking program, a video featuring historical footage and testimonials from municipal leaders, Lottery employees, retail partners and prize winners was shown. The video was narrated by national television personality Tom Bergeron, a native of Haverhill, who hosted Lottery Live and Megabucks drawings in the 1980s while working in the Boston television

On display at the event were jerseys from local professional and college sports teams with "Mass Lottery" on the name plate above the number 50. Mascots Blades (Bruins), Lucky (Celtics) and Wally (Red Sox) all participated in the afternoon's festivi-

A red carpet was set up near a display of movie and television posters in which Lottery branded equipment had appeared. Additional displays featured historical items, including vintage lottery terminals, advertising posters and oversized instant tickets.

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