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Changing the mindset

BRT, less parking can equal a better city, mayor says

tinely at the various City

By Seth Daniel

shouldn't there be?

opment crazy, or wise?

These questions and

PHOTOS BY KATY ROGERS

Dalissa Lopez (right) posed in a pumpkin patch at Riv-

erGreen Park on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 3, during the

City's Halloween celebration

- which also included the rib-

had Everett kids help him cut

the ribbon to officially open

RiverGreen Park. See Page 5

By Adam Swift

The Zoning Board of Ap-

peals (ZBA) unanimously

denied a variance request

that would have allowed for

the conversion of a dilapidat-

ed single-story home to an

eight-unit apartment build-

The new building would

have sat next to a 17-unit

apartment building current-

ly being renovated by the

owner, according to Anthony

Rossi, the attorney for the

variances

being

ing at 126 Ferry St.

project.

The

for more photos.

many more come up rou-

boards as Everett transitions from a car-oriented middle At many meetings in City suburb to something more Hall – whether the Zoning Board, the Planning Board, urban and entirely different. And while those questions the City Council, and sometimes even the Licensing often linger at the various boards, make no mistake Board – the city seems to be that Mayor Carlo DeMaria at a crossroads on the subject of automobiles. is resolute about his desire Should there be more to minimize the use of autoparking at developments, or mobiles, lessen the depen-

Will people really take the city more densely. Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)? It is, he said, the way of Is a zero parking develthe future for great cities, and he believes Everett can be that kind of place.

"It's all one big picture

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION IN EVERETT

dence on parking and build

and it's all connected," he said this week, following another major philosophical impasse on parking and transportation at last week's Planning Board. "We need to develop more housing, and we need better public transit to do that...We need to stop building parking lots and we need to give people reliable transit. It has to happen. Everett is going to have Gold Standard BRT, the Gondola to Assembly Row, bikes lanes, the Silver Line going from Everett to

See BRT Page 2

Council At-Large (Top 5 Win) •Gerly Adrien, 1,965 ·Wayne Matewsky, 1,963 Michael Marchese, 1,888 John Hanlon, 1,870 Peter Napolitano, 1,743 •Richard Dell Isola, 1,620 Stephen Simonelli, 1,180 Catherine Tomassi-Hicks,

BY THE NUMBERS

Joe M. LaMonica, 910 •Renee Solano, 806

Ward 1 Council Fred Capone, 3,469

Ward 2 Council Stephanie Martins, 2,263 Jason Marcus, 1,739

Ward 3 Council Anthony DiPierro, 3,085

Ward 4 Council •Jimmy Tri Le, 2,614

Ward 5 Council •Rosa DiFlorio, 2,271 Vivian Nguyen, 1,714

Ward 6 Council Michael McLaughlin, 2,563 •Al Lattanzi, 1,691

School Committee at-Large (Top 3 Win) •Millie Cardello, 1,942 Cynthia Sarnie, 1,903 Samantha Lambert, 1,256 Dan Skerritt, 1,245 David Lindsey, Jr., 1,194 Angelmarie DiNunzio, 1,054

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ADRIEN TOPS AT-LARGE TICKET

New Guard

New faces make good showing on Council, School Committee

By Seth Daniel

The make-up of the City Council changed in Tuesday's City Election, bringing on new voices that are calling for a change in the way things are done at City Hall.

Leading as the change agent was candidate Gerly Adrien, who in her first run for Council topped the atlarge ticket, besting perennial ticket-topper Councilor Wayne Matewsky by two votes.

Councilor Michael Marchese finished in a strong third place, just 77 votes behind Adrien and Matewsky. Veteran Councilor John

Hanlon finished fourth just behind Marchese by 18 votes. The field was rounded out by Councilor Peter Napolitano, who more than 100 votes behind the pack. That left out one incum-

bent, which surprisingly, was Council President Rich Dell Isola, who was out of the money by 123 votes.

Lower Broadway parking lot numbers not

as lucrative as expected, but still positive

Adrien said she was very



Gerly Adrien

excited and it showed the people wanted the kind of changes at City Hall that she's been talking about on the campaign trail.

"I want to thank everyone, especially my husband (David Lindsey) and my family," she said. "I'm so excited and can't wait to begin serving everyone on the City Council. For everyone who thought I couldn't do it, this shows the community wanted it."

In the ward races, the biggest surprise was the red-hot campaign in Ward 6, which featured Councilor Michael McLaughlin against Al Lattanzi. The

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bon cutting ceremony for the new RiverGreen Park funded overflow casino parking lot by Encore Boston Harbor. was expected to be a reve-Above, Mayor Carlo DeMaria

Rossi also noted that the

building on Ferry Street is

near public transportation

and bus routes and would

appeal to tenants who do not

necessarily own cars. He said

the owner would also agree

to conditions in the ZBA

decision in which tenants of

126 Ferry St. would not be

able to get on-street parking

said Arlington Street resident

Kathy Getchell. "You can't

tell someone that is renting

See ZONING Page 3

'My concern is parking,"

stickers from the city.

By Seth Daniel

The Lower Broadway nue stream worth several million dollars a year for the City – which is operating the lot for three years - but those estimates are coming in much lower due to lower usage than expected.

City officials didn't immediately have an explanation for the lower numbers, but said it was likely due to Encore making its parking lot free on weekdays, and free for Red Card holders on weekends – cutting into the use of the City's paid parking lot across the street.

City Chief Financial Officer Eric Demas said they

had expected around \$5-6 million a year from the lot over a period of three years. However, that is no longer the estimate, even though the parking lot is still making money.

"Usage is down," he said. "At this point, we're not anticipating making those initial estimates we received from Encore. It is a fluid situation and we're adjusting accordingly...Through the end of September, we received a net in excess of \$400,000."

Demas said he didn't have official numbers yet for October when parking became free for everyone the whole month, but he did say the parking lot made money over the Oct. 19-20 weekend.

"We still \$6,000 over that weekend." he said. "People are still parking there, but not to the extent we thought they would. Encore's parking is getting full, so we do see an increased usage of our lot during the busy times at Encore on Thursday through Sunday. So, we're still getting revenues."

Mayor Carlo DeMaria said he is still encouraged by the lot, as he was a big proponent of operating it for the interim. He said they are still paying taxes on it, still intend to develop it, and the City isn't losing any money.

"We aren't seeing as much money on the parking

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Zoning Board denies eight units on Ferry Street

sought for the building in-

cluded rear, side, and front

setbacks, but the biggest

hold up appeared to be the

lack of parking spaces for

the project. Under zoning

regulations, 16 spots were

required for the six two-bed-

room and two one-bedroom

market-rate units, but there

was no parking proposed on

"I know there are con-

cerns about parking, but

there are three spots that can

be rented at the other build-

ing (being renovated by the

owner)," said Rossi.



The full Everett Crimson Tide Marching Band performed for Senator Sal DiDomenico and his wife, Tricia, as well as the many other guests. The surprise came during Sen. DiDomenico's annual Fall Fundraiser on Weds., Oct. 30, at the Silver Fox. Sen. DiDomenico celebrated 15 years in office during the time. See Page 7 for more photos.



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campaign was heavily influenced by the Mayor's Office, with the mayor supporting his long-time friend Lattanzi. However, it didn't help on the vote count with McLaughlin winning every precinct in the city and beating Lattanzi by 872 votes.

"I am overwhelmed and grateful for the show of support I have been given," said McLaughlin. "I promise to always be the voice for the people of Everett. I also promise to always work my hardest and make Everett proud."

In Ward 2, Candidate Stephanie Martins prevailed over Candidate Jason Marcus by 524 votes.

"It takes a village," she said. "It's the power of us, every person. The Everett people who walked for hours in this campaign, made the phone calls to voters. I'm happy to say I ran a positive campaign. I'm excited to serve.'

In Ward 5, Councilor DiFlorio prevailed Candidate Vivian Nguyen. DiFlorio won every precinct except for 5-2, which votes at City Hall.

Ward 4 Candidate Jimmy Tri Le prevailed easily over a write-in challenger, winning by more than 2,300 votes.

Ward 1 Fred Capone and Ward 3 Anthony DiPierro were unopposed and grabbed a good vote total.

On the School Committee, things stayed pretty much the same despite some really intense races. However, with two vacancies in the at-large race, there were some new faces winning - and adding to that long-time Ward 4 Committeeman David Ela Jr. lost to newcomer Dana

Murray, who didn't campaign very much at all.

In the at-large race, Committeewoman Millie Cardello topped the ticket, and Candidate Cynthia Sarnie (a former City Councilor) finished 39 votes behind her. Candidate Samantha Lambert finished third nearly 700 votes behind the top two.

Ward 4 provided a surprise with Murray beating Committeeman Ela by more than 700 votes. Ela has been on the Committee some time, and has been a key member of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Murray is a schoolteacher at East Boston High School, and said she was very happy to be given a chance.

"I want to say I really appreciate the voters of Everett that wanted to take a chance on someone new," she said. "I look forward to serving the families and children of Everett. I'm a mother and an educator, so I understand. It's very shocking."

In Ward 1, Committeeman Allen Panarese easily beat Candidate Edgar Ruiz. In Ward 2, Committeeman Joe LaMonica cruised to a win over Thomas Messina. A heated race in Ward 3 resulted in an easy win for Committeeman Frank Parker over Candidate Robert Santacroce. In Ward 6, Chair Tom Abruzzese scored a victory over John Mavilio Jr. Ward 5 Committeeman Marcony Almeida-Barros was unopposed, but collected a good vote.

The overall voter turnout was 25 percent, with 4,969 ballots cast – which is about what City Clerk Sergio Cornelio predicted.



School Committeewoman Millie Cardello (left) and Council-

or Rosa DiFlorio who both won their races.

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Ward 1 School Committee •Allen Panarese, 2,208

•Edgar Ruiz, 1,410 **Ward 2 School Committee**

Joe A. LaMonica, 2,216 •Thomas Messina, Jr., 1,320

Ward 3 School Committee •Frank Parker, Jr., 2,172 •Robert Santocroce, 1,577

Ward 4 School Committee Dana Murray, 2,060 •David Ela, Jr., 1,344

Ward 5 School Committee Marcony Almeida Barros,

2,866

Ward 6 School Committee •Tom Abruzzese, 2,188 John Mavilio, Jr., 1,369

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as we thought we'd see," said the mayor. "They are still paying taxes on the property, and we are still seeing some good money for that. They only have three years to operate that lot. They're moving on to the next phase of re-development of that parking lot and all the property they purchased from Dexter to Beacham. We're anticipat-

ing reviewing some new development in there in the next few years."

Demas said they are exploring right now the idea of leasing spaces to businesses in the area that need parking – particularly during the slower periods.

"The mayor is looking to maximize those revenue opportunities," he said.



Student Opportunity Act gives major boost to school funding

By Laura Plummer

In a presentation to Council on Monday, Oct. 28, Sen. Sal DiDomenico announced a potential massive investment in Everett schools in the form of the Student Opportunity Act, which recently passed unanimously in the Massachusetts House and Senate.

The new legislation invests \$1.5 billion in Chapter 70 aid to public schools across the state over the next seven years. Chapter 70 funding - or

state funding for public education - is meant to even the playing field between school districts in low-income communities and those in wealthier communities. The amount that a city receives in Chapter 70 funding is based on its collective wealth and resources, taking taxes and demographics into account.

The Student Opportunities Act was designed to support school districts in four key areas: managing employee and retiree healthcare costs, increasing special education enrollment, supporting English language learners, and educating children from low-income families. Everett will receive a substantial increase in Chapter 70 aid due to its high number of low-income students as well as students who do not speak English as a first lan-

"I can't give you an exact amount," the Senator told Council, "but with this investment of \$1.5 billion, the City of Everett will be very, very happy going forward over the seven-year process that this bill is im-

plemented."

In addition, the bill will expand funding for guidance counselors, charter school tuition reimbursements, transportation costs, and school renovation and construction.

"This is the first time I've ever seen everyone on board: the unions, the mayor, the superintendent, the school committee, and both houses of Congress," said the Senator. "This is happening." Councilors expressed

full support of the bill, with Councilor John McKinnon saying it was "a long time coming." "This is great news and allows us to make an in-

vestment in education,"

said Councilor Anthony

DiPierro. "Thank your colleagues on the Hill." "I want to publicly thank

you for your efforts," said Councilor Fred Capone. "You have worked extremely hard on this from

the beginning. Our community is lucky to have you." "Education is blessed to have you as our senator,' said Councilor Michael

McLaughlin. "This is going to help a lot of families," said Council President Richard Dell

"We're all very happy," said Councilor John Han-

Council will send a letter of support for the bill to Gov. Charlie Baker, who is the last hurdle in the process of passing the bill. The bill has passed both Houses and is in a Conference Committee, which will then forward the compromise bill to Gov. Baker.

Exelon, City court hearing postponed, but core issues still persist

By Seth Daniel

A court hearing in Bos-Suffolk Superior Court was postponed until December on Tuesday morning, but the issues at the core of the civil suit between the City and Exelon still persist as the case begins its hearings.

The case was to be heard Tuesday at 2 p.m., but was postponed until early December at the last minute.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria said the postponement doesn't change the issues, and he's still convinced that the company misled the City when seeking a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) agreement many years ago - telling the City they planned to spend \$800 million less than they actually ended up spending on the

"I hope the judge really sees that," he said this week. "It's not a slam-dunk case, but if the judge does take his or her time and sees that, we may be in a better position.

"They came in and told us they were going to add \$300 million in value and

wanted a tax break...." he said. "On that value, it made sense, but then to go and spend \$1.2 billion on the project, it doesn't make much sense. That is another \$800 million of additional work they did we did not anticipate giving them a tax break on. It's a bit disingenuous and disheartening that this big corporation is getting away with not pay-

Exelon does dispute the City's inferences in the case, and said it gives back to Everett and believes it has paid its fair share in property taxes.

"Exelon Generation cares about the communities in which we live and operate, and we always seek to pay our fair share of taxes," said Exelon spokesman Mark Rodgers. "Last year the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (EACC) conducted an extensive and comprehensive administrative proceeding to consider Everett's challenge to the longstanding tax agreement with Mystic Generating Station and voted 17-0 to reject the City's claim. Exelon Generation's current annual tax payment for Mystic Generating Station of \$15 million represents more than 10 percent of Everett's total tax levy and approximately 60 percent of the City's industrial tax levy. Exelon Generation is an active member of the Everett business community and supports the Everett Public Schools, City of Everett's Summer Jobs Program, Parlin Library, Bread of Life, Everett Community Growers, Mystic River Watershed Association, and other worthwhile organizations that serve the community."

Everett Chief Financial Officer Eric Demas said the case was filed by the City after the State Economic Coordinating Assistance Council (EACC) refused to de-certify the 20-year-old TIF agreement last year. They are officially asking a judge in the Suffolk Civil Division to overturn that EACC decision.

The City hopes to recover taxes they feel were not paid due to the company spending far more than they told the City they would.

"We're seeking to recover taxes we feel they

should have paid had they not misrepresented the project when submitted to the mayor and Council for acceptance 20 years ago," he said.

DeMaria said he credited his administration for finding the error a few years back when they were doing a revaluation of all waterfront property down the Line. When doing that, they recognized that the Exelon project had far more investment than had been detailed at the time of the TIF agree-

He said the company now pays \$15 million under the TIF, which is set to conclude in 2021. However, he said even if they lose, due to that investigation by the administration, they will know to value the property at more than \$1 billion.

"They pay \$15 million now and that would double or more," he said. "We may lose the case and that would be unfortunate, but going forward in a couple of years, they won't be paying \$15 million."

The new hearing date is scheduled for the first week in December.

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Cambridge and Somerville, a commuter rail stop at Market Forge in the Commercial Triangle...In 10 years, Everett is going to be a city where people will come and say, 'How did you do it?' We're really trying to think outside the box and I credit my whole team at City Hall."

Mayor DeMaria is hot off of a major regional win for BRT and his transportation vision. While many in the City debated parking at Everett City Hall, DeMaria was able to lobby Boston Mayor Martin Walsh to embrace the BRT idea and include it in the year's-long Rutherford Avenue/Sullivan Square plan. That was introduced at a meeting in Charlestown last Tuesday, where new aspects of the BRT - perhaps center-lane BRT with two Charlestown stops - was introduced in that City's 25 percent design plan for the critical corridor that connects to Everett.

"We are going to have gold standard, center lane BRT in Everett," DeMaria said. "We have Boston and the governor and their consultants working with us...(Boston Mayor) Marty (Walsh) gets it and the governor gets it. We have to get these cars off of our streets and coming through our cities. Giving people better transit means we can build more housing - givto build more stories and that gives them the ability to build more affordable housing. You get more people of mixed incomes living in the same building...That helps everyone. You can

mix people's incomes.'

He said that while they are planning to start their BRT at Glendale Square, they plan to design it all the way to the Malden line. He said Mayor Gary Christianson also is supportive and wants to look into the same service - all in the name of getting suburban commuters off the streets of the middle suburbs like Everett.

"Once you get it all the way up 99, then you have BRT on Rt. 1 with connections all along Rt. 1 getting people connected as far away as Newburyport, Saugus and Danvers," he said. "That will take thousands of cars off our streets."

A long-time pet peeve of Mayor DeMaria is also the environmental implications of building so much parking in Everett - and the City policies in the past that pushed people to pave over green space and build parking.

"In the old days people would want to convert their two-family into six units, and they would say they needed 12 parking spaces," he said. "They responded by paving over all their grass, flowers and gardens to make a parking lot in



RENDERINGS COURTESY OF UTILE

These renders of gold standard, center-lane Bus Rapid Transit show a vision of what that kind of transit offering could bring to Everett. Mayor DeMaria fully supports the idea, and has won over key allies recently like Boston Mayor Martin Walsh. This week, he said his vision is to offer this kind of transit so the city can build more housing and take cars, especially North Shore commuters, off the streets.



their backyards - leaving us with stormwater issues." Beyond the neighbor-

hoods, DeMaria said Everett should be on the cutting edge in its downtown. He said cities on the move are taking parking away from their downtowns and putting gardens in front of the

more inviting, more friendly to pedestrians. That, he said, is a vision he would like to see in Everett. "It's that kind of thinking

businesses – making things

that will change the community, and the country," he said.

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New ordinance would tighten restrictions on short-term rentals

City Council is in the process of drafting a new ordinance that would impose more regulations on short-term rentals managed through booking sites, such as Airbnb, in the City of

Council will vote whether or not to enroll the ordinance at its next meeting on

Written with the help of outside attorneys and the Inspectional Services Department, the new shortrental ordinance would replace the one that has been on the books since July 1.

Highlights from Ordinance 365 on short-term rentals:

•New short-term rentals will be registered directly with the Licensing Board. Currently they are registered through the Clerk's

•Certain properties will be ineligible to rent out for short-term stays. These include units that are designated as income-restricted or below market rate, or units considered problem properties.

As November hits the

calendar, don't be surprised

if local first responders look

like they haven't shaved in

weeks. For the privilege of

growing out their facial hair,

officers from the Everett Po-

lice Department are paying

up and participating in the

Home Base No Shave cam-

paign in support of Home

Base, a Red Sox Foundation

and Massachusetts General

Hospital Program located in

Traditionally, police de-

partments have a grooming

policy where officers must

remain clean-shaven. How-

ever, for the entire month of

November, police officers

have pledged \$100 to fore-

go the traditional grooming

policy and grow beards,

mustaches and goatees - all

in support of Home Base

and their mission to provide

no-cost clinical care to Vet-

erans and Military Families

impacted by the invisible

wounds — such as post-trau-

matic stress and traumatic

The movement is spear-

brain injury.

Charlestown.

•Rental units must not be in violation of any building, sanitary, zoning or fire codes, or have any existing orders of abatement or stop-work orders.

•Seven days prior to registering a property, operators must notify any residents living within a 150-foot radius of the proposed rental. Under the old ordinance, owners were not required to notify abutters until after applying for a

•Operators of short-term rentals must provide proof that the building containing the rental unit is their primary residence. This applies to rental operators who rent out units in a single-family or multi-family home. In some cases where a landlord does not live on the premises, a 24/7 management company overseeing the property may suffice. This measure, which is the norm in many other cities, came after reports that absentee landlords in Everett were hosting guests that threw rowdy and destructive parties.

•Short-term rental operators must show proof of a current liability insurance

participating in Home Base No Shave Campaign

headed by MBTA Transit

Police and Boston Gang Unit

Detective Kurt Power, a U.S.

Army Veteran and Purple

Heart recipient who sought

care for his own invisible

that we give the gift of hope,

hope to all the veterans that

don't believe reintegration

is possible. Hope to the ap-

proximately 20 veterans a

day that may give up tomor-

row," Power says. "If I can

convince just one person

who needs help to listen to

me and put their trust in the

treatment at Home Base, this

ers at Everett Police Depart-

ment will go beyond the

badge to not only help raise

money for a program that is

changing the lives of Veter-

ans and their Families, but

also to evoke conversation.

raise awareness and break

the stigma associated with

"I think the biggest part

about this campaign is the

demonstration of support

getting care.

This month, first respond-

will all be worth it."

"The only wish I have is

wounds at Home Base.

Everett Police are among more than 120

•Rental operators must clearly post safety measures for guests, detailing emergency exits, the location of fire extinguishers and fire alarms, parking regulations and trash collection information.

 Certain properties will be ineligible to rent out for short-term stays. These in-

that are designated as income-restricted or below market rate, or units considered problem properties.

On Nov. 12, Council will vote to enroll the ordinance. If enrolled, it will then be posted in the paper and at the City Clerk's Office for public viewing. The final vote will be held at the Council meeting on Nov. 25, at which time the local community can speak for or against the ordinance. If approved by Council, the ordinance will then become

Council is also working on drafting another shortterm rental ordinance, this one having to do with zoning. It will be sent directly to the Planning Board and will be up for a vote to enroll at the first Council meeting in December.

by communities from across

New England and the coun-

try," said Home Base Ex-

ecutive Director Brigadier

General (USA ret.) Jack

Hammond. "It goes well

beyond 'thank you for your

service' - it's something

tangible people are doing to

show them that they care. At

Home Base, we offer some

of the best care in the Unit-

ed States, so with all of these

departments reaching out

into these communities, they

are bound to know someone

who needs help and connect

them to us. Every time they

do that, they are saving a

No Shave campaign, benefit-

ting Home Base, has raised

more than \$500,000 and en-

gaged more than 118 police

departments across the coun-

try. Everett Police Depart-

ment has a goal to make an

impact and are asking com-

munity members, business

owners and family members

to join the cause and donate

To date, the Home Base

EVERETT PUBLIC LIBRARIES EVENTS

Email or Resume Assis-

Shute Memorial Library

Monday, November 18. Want to create your first email, but don't know how? Or do you need help sprucing up an old resume? Sign up for a thirty minute appointment at the Shute Memorial Library with your personal resume writing coach anytime between 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Please call us at 617-394-2308 with any inquiries or to register.

Family Storytime

Parlin Memorial Library Monday, November 18. Come to the Parlin Li-

brary on Monday morning to read books, sing songs, explore movements, and more! For toddlers and pre-k (and their grownups). No registration required.

Video Game After-

Shute Memorial Library Wednesdays and Fridays Come play awesome new PS4, Nintendo Switch, or Gear VR games at the Shute Library! All Wednesdays and Fridays of the month except the 27th and the 29th! 3:30-5 p.m.. This program is for tweens and teens ages 11-18. Please call us at 617-394-2308

Babytime

with any questions.

Parlin Memorial Library Wednesday, November 20, at 11 a.m.

A story hour for the very young. Join us as we sing songs and make enjoy lapsit songs, interactive baby rhymes and simple stories followed by time to socialize for babies and grown-

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Tinkercad

Shute Memorial Library Wednesday, November

Learn the basics of Tinkercad, a design tool, to create your own 3D print! Register for a thirty minute one-on-one session in one of our time slots between 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.. For ages 13 and up. Registration is required.

Computer Basics 101 Shute Memorial Library

Thursday, November 21. Press Due: November 4. Not familiar with the

computer? Learn the basics of how to start up and shut down a computer, navigate the operating system and applications, perform basic functions, learn how to pull up a word processor, and even use a web browser to navigate the internet! This class is intended for computer novices. This program is free and open to the public. By appointment only for 30 minute time slots between 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Plase call the Shute Library at (617) 394

Chess Club

Shute Memorial Library Thursday, November 21.

This program is open to students in grades 1-12. Chess exercises your mind and improves academic performance. It has been shown to improve concentration and memory, increase creativity self-esteem, teach patience, planning and problem solving skills. Learn to play, im-

prove your game, and play against others! Please call the Shute Library Information Desk at 617.394.2308 with any questions.

Email or Resume Assis-

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Sensory Stations

Parlin Memorial Library Wednesday, November

An alternative to a traditional story hour, children and their grown-ups are invited to investigate and explore using all our senses. Interactive stations might include water bins, moon sand, ice blocks, pom pom pouring, and more!. Best for ages 3-5, all are welcome. No registration is required.

Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church "Molding forth the word of Life" This Sunday we will be honoring our late brother in Christ, Larry Scott. He was a faithful Christian who recently went home to be with his Lord Jesus. Larry was well-known and loved by many in Everett and surrounding communities. He proudly served our country during the Vietnam War. We hope that you can join us for this special occasion. Nov. 10, 2019 @ 10:30 AM

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that they are not going to have a parking spot. Residents will park on the street."

However, Getchell said she would find the project more acceptable if there was a condition that residents wouldn't be able to get parking stickers.

ZBA member Michael Dantone asked if there was any chance the size of the project could be reduced.

Rossi noted that the owner, Luisa Bedoya, spent a considerable amount on the neighboring property, as well as 126 Ferry St., and is making a sizeable investment in the properties, but that she would be willing to reduce the project to six units if it was the Board's will.

According to city assessing records, Bedoya purchased 126 Ferry St. last year for \$200,000. She bought 114-124 Ferry St. in 2017 for \$2.8 million.

"We're willing to take a story off and do four two-bedrooms and two one-bedrooms," said Rossi. "We could do that and still have a nice project."

Dantone made a motion to grant the variances for 126 Ferry St. with the conditions that no city parking stickers be issued for residents, and that the project be reduced by one floor, eliminating two units, but the variances were unanimously rejected by the

to their page.

Board. The applicant can appeal the decision to the state.

•Many of the residents attending Monday night's meeting went home early, as several projects on the agenda were tabled to future meetings, including projects at 31-33 School St. and a controversial one at 295 Chelsea St.

•The ZBA also denied a special permit to convert a two-story home to a three-story home on Bennett Street after the applicant failed to show up for the second hearing in a row.

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Americans observed the first anniversary of the end of the war the following year when the holiday we now know as Veterans Day originated as Armistice Day in 1919.

The First World War was referred to at the time as "the war to end all wars." It was thought that never again would mankind engage in the sort of madness that resulted in the near-total destruction of Western Civilization and the loss of millions of lives for reasons that never have been entirely clear to anybody either before, during, or since.

Needless to say, history has shown us that such thinking was idealistically foolhardy. Just 21 years later, the world again became enmeshed in a global conflagration that made the first war seem like a mere practice run for the mass annihilation that took place from 1939-45.

Even after that epic second world war, America has been involved in countless bloody conflicts in the 74 years since General Douglas MacArthur accepted the Japanese surrender on the Battleship USS Missouri. Today, we still have troops fighting -- and dying -- on front lines around the world.

"Peace is at hand" has been nothing but a meaningless slogan for most of the past 101 years.

Armistice Day officially became known as Veterans Day in 1954 so as to include those who served in WWII and the Korean War. All of our many veterans since then also have become part of the annual observance to express our nation's appreciation to the men and women who bravely have answered the call of duty to ensure that the freedoms we enjoy as Americans have been preserved against the many challenges we have overcome.

The recent capture and killing of the leader of ISIS demonstrated both the precision and bravery of our troops, who are the most dedicated and lethal fighting force in the world.

Although Veterans Day, as with all of our other national holidays, unfortunately has become commercialized, we urge our readers to take a moment, even if just quietly by ourselves, to contemplate the debt we owe to the veterans of all of our wars and to be grateful to them for allowing us to live freely in the greatest nation on earth.

If nothing else, Veterans Day should remind us that freedom isn't free and that every American owes a debt of immeasurable gratitude and thanks to those who have put their lives on the line to preserve our ideals and our way of life.

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CONGRESSMAN JOE KENNEDY III VISITS LA COMUNIDAD, INC.

Congressman Joe Kennedy III visited La Comunidad, Inc. on Broadway in Everett on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 3. Kennedy, who recently announced he will run for Senate, addressed the group in Spanish, engaging in discussion to hear constituents concerns.



Executive Director of La Comunidad, Inc., Antonio Amaya, welcomed Congressman Joe Kennedy to Everett on Saturday afternoon.



Congressman Joe Kennedy III found a lighter moment when young Sebastian Montano sat next to him during the community discussion at La Comunidad, Inc. last Sat



Jonathan Martinez introduced himself to Congressman Joe Kennedy as they engaged in a discussion in Spanish.



listened to residents' concerns during a discussion at La Comunidad, Inc.

Your opinions, please

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A room full of residents engaged in a discussion with Congressman Joe Kennedy in Span-

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CITY OF EVERETT CELEBRATES HALLOWEEN

The City of Everett celebrated Halloween in coordination with the grand opening of RiverGreen Park on Saturday, Nov. 3. Families enjoyed dressing up in their costumes while exploring the new state-of-the-art park. The festivities included dancing, games, arts and crafts, archery, and a haunted maze.

The new park comes in combination with Encore Boston Harbor, and features a wonderful playground – as well as new sports practice fields.



State Rep. Joe McGonagle welcomed everyone to the



Council President Rich Dell Isola was pleased to be part of the opening.



Patrick Herron of the Mystic **River Watershed Association** was proud of the improvements made to the area next to the Malden River.



Jacqui Krum of Encore **Boston Harbor was pleased** to see the casino's community contributions come to fruition.



Mya Ortiz, Jahnerys Figueroa, and Jaliyah Muniz showed off their girl power with their superhero costumes.



Councilor at Large John Hanlon greeted Marylou the Ghost, who entertained the children.



Bailey and Lia Estrada enjoyed playing at RiverGreen Park during the Halloween festivities.



A new playground was opened on Saturday as part of RiverGreen Park.



Council Candidate Al Lattanzi, Thayz DosSantos, Maria Clara, Dolores Lattanzi, and Mayor Carlo DeMaria.



Karyn Alzayer helped kids with arts and crafts.



Gemma and Mischa Bellone and their family avoided a zombie attack in the haunted maze.



Zihan Zhou zoomed around the new street hockey rink at RiverGreen



Matthew Goss showed off a scary pose.



Henry and Franklin Rivas made spooky faces at the Halloween celebration.











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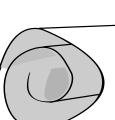
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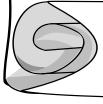
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Sen. Sal DiDomenico celebrated 15 years of public service as an elected official at the Silver Fox on Wednesday evening, Oct. 30. Vinyl Groove entertained with live music throughout the evening, and a special appearance was made by the Everett Crimson Tide Marching Band. Senate President Karen Spilka attended to show her support and praised Sen. Sal DiDomenico for his hard work.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico thanked friends and family for their support throughout the years.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico was joined by supporter Linda Maloney.





Sen.Sal DiDomenico was joined by District Attorney Marian



Brian Zama-Lenfest and Nunotte Zama joined Sen. Sal DiDomenico.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico was joined by Everett High Music Director Gene O'Brien.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico received support from Principal John



Sen. Sal DiDomenico celebrated his 15 years of public service alongside Senate President Karen Spilka.



The Everett Crimson Tide Marching Band made a special appearance, performing at the Silver Fox.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico received the support of the LUMA organization.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico was joined by friends, John Tocco, Rich Eliseo Sr., Mike Dantone, Rich Eliseo Jr., Council President Rich Dell Isola, and Roger Thistle.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico was joined by his family, Matthew, Sal, Tricia, Marie, and Sal.





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MIAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Everett routs AB, 47-7, in opener

Doherty, Tide set up rematch with Central Catholic

Special to the Journal

The Everett High football team built a 27-0 halftime lead and rolled to a 47-7 victory over Acton-Boxborough in a Division 1 North quarterfinal

round playoff game Friday night at Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium.

Junior quarterback Duke Doherty threw three touchdown passes and rushed for another score to lead Everett in a one-sided win over the Colonials.

The win sets up a rematch with Central Catholic (Lawrence), who ousted the Tide from last year's playoffs, 23-20, on a last-minute field goal by Nick Mazzie. The two

teams, both 7-1, will meet Saturday at 12 p.m., in Lawrence.

In the playoff opener, Doherty connected with Tyrese Baptiste for a 76yard touchdown to give Everett an early 6-0 lead. Abraham Betancourth booted the PAT to make it

John Smith-Howell returned a punt 82 yards for a touchdown and Betancourth followed with the

PAT for a 14-0 lead.

The Everett running game checked in as Jayden Clerveaux raced 37 yards for a touchdown. Doherty fired a 30-yard touchdown pass to Ismael Zamor to give Everett a 27-0 lead at the half

Clarence Jules used his blazing speed on a 48-yard run as Everett extended its lead to 34-0. Doherty teamed up with Eli Auguste for a 7-yard touchdown pass before the Everett quarterback rushed for a 17-yard touchdown, with Betancourth's fifth PAT of the day completing the scoring.

TIDE NOTEBOOK

Duke Doherty had 5 rushes for 100 yards and a touchdown. Clarence Jules (4-69) and Jayden Clerveaux (6-71) also ex-

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Eli Auguste (2) slides right and makes his AB opponent, Graham Brady (2) go left as he dekes him out of the way.



Samy Lamothe (5) tangles with Acton Boxborough's Alex Berrouet (9) as the two struggle during a run.



Everett wide receiver Tyrese Baptiste (11) splits the defense and makes an incredible catch while Colonials' Nate Sullivan (8) and Jed Haggard (4) can only watch after being beat on coverage.



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EHS boys soccer wraps up season

The Everett High boys soccer team concluded its season with non-league contests against Wellesley and Wakefield last week.

Although the Crimson

Tide came up short in both contests by scores of 3-0 and 1-0 respectively, first-year EHS head coach Pedro Blas was upbeat about his team's effort.

"This season was defi-

"This season was definitely a learning experience for both the coaching staff and the players," said Blas. "After playing some of the top teams in the state, we all realize what it takes to be a team. Players are definitely motivated for next year. Our seniors this year gave it all they had and I am extremely proud of them and happy I got to coach them their last season."

EHS SPORTS ROUNDUP

EHS girls soccer drops final contests

The Everett High girls soccer team ended its season last week with a pair of contests against non-league foes Stoneham and Dracut. The Lady Crimson Tide fell short by scores of 7-0 and

6-1 respectively.
Sophomore Zineb Drissi scored the Everett goal in the Dracut contest after receiving a nice corner kick from captain Carolann Car-

dinale.

Although coach DeAnn Gallagher's crew dropped both encounters, Gallagher remained upbeat about the team's future.

"It might not have been the best way to finish our season, but the girls did try and put much more effort into the Dracut game in the second half," said Gallagher. "Hopefully the seniors played their hearts out in their last career high school game.

"Overall I am proud of this group," Gallgher added. "I am hoping the younger girls will work hard in the off season. I look forward to next year!"

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celled behind the Tide's powerful offensive line.

Doherty was 10-for-16 for 175 yards and has surpassed the 1,000-yard mark in passing yards for the season.

Ismael Zamor had five receptions for 65 yards.

Head coach Theluxon Pierre's team has won its last seven games heading in to the showdown against Central Catholic. Everett's offense, defense, and special teams all looked very impressive against Acton-Boxborough.

Everett and Central Catholic have one common opponent, Springfield Central. The Tide suffered their only defeat of the season versus Springfield in the season opener, 40-12. Central Catholic defeated Springfield, 52-42, in the second week of the season. The Raiders (formerly the Red Raiders) beat Lexing-

ton, 42-7, in their playoff opener. Central's only loss was a 28-14 setback to St. John's Prep on Sept. 20. No. 2 seed St. John's

Prep will host No. 3 seed Andover in the other Division 1 North semifinal Friday night.

In the Division 1 South

In the Division 1 South semifinals, Catholic Memorial (8-0) hosts BC High (5-3) Friday night while Franklin (6-2) hosts Brockton (5-3).



Jayden Clerveaux (20) looms large over Acton-Boxborough running back Steve Callison



Senior running back Clarence Jules (4) is tripped up on a run by Acton-Boxborough's Nate Sullivan (8) but manages to dive forward and get the extra yard needed for a Tide first



Crimson Tide defensive back junior Tyler David (21) lowers the boom and stonewalls

Acton-Boxborough's Nick Pucillo (24) at the line of scrimmage for no gain.

New research reveals demand for bike share in Greater Boston communities

Zonta Club of Chelsea's Fundraising committee recently met to plan their fall fundraiser.

It is being held on Sunday Nov. 17, at 1 p.m. at Casa Lucia in Revere. The Delvena Theatre

set in Luigi's Ristorante featuring Lynne Moulton, Joseph Zamparelli and Fran Baron in multiple roles. Come put your "super sleuth" on – having much fun along the way. Token prizes will be awarded. For tickets or information contact Christine DePrizio @ c5dsmom@

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yahoo.com. Pictured, seated left to right, Liz Fama, Mary Jane O'Neill, Barbara Lawlor, and

Joan Lanzillo-Hahsey. Standing, Trisha O'Flaherty, Christine DePrizio and Diane Cambria.

New research by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) analyzing over 300,000 bike share trips reveals demand for bike share in Greater Boston communities, as well as opportunities for improvements to suburban cycling infrastructure within communities and between cities and towns.

The interactive report uses detailed trip-level data from the Lime system, which operates in 16 cities and towns in Greater Boston, to map trip patterns and pinpoint the most-frequented routes over the 18-month period from April 2018 through September 2019.

The data, which includes individual trip routes without tracking information about the habits of individual users, revealed that connections to transit were a relatively small share of Lime bike trips: only 15% of trips began or ended within 100 meters of a subway, trolley, Silver Line or Commuter Rail station.

Instead, many trips took place within communities, to and from points of interest or between municipalities where transit connections are limited. City or town centers and commercial districts have the highest density of activity, but trips spread out into residential neighborhoods, which tend to be the end-point of trips more than the start. The average trip length was just over one mile and the high-

est frequency of trips took place between 4 and 7 p.m.

"This analysis shows how new forms of so-called 'micro-mobility' can be quickly adopted by all kinds of communities and serve a unique role in the transportation system," said MAPC Transportation Director Eric Bourassa. "It also shows how important it is for public agencies to have access to detailed data that can inform planning and policy."

Analysis of the trip data demonstrates that in many places, Lime users were riding on roadways with limited or no existing bike infrastructure, such as bike lanes, physical separation from traffic, and easily-navigable turns and crossings. Sweetser Circle/Revere Beach Parkway in Everett, Commercial and Centre Streets in Malden, Washington Street in Newton and Arsenal Street in Watertown are all examples of roadways that saw high volumes of Lime ridership but are currently stressful for bicyclists.

"We're looking forward to using this new data resource as another piece of information to plan for new bike infrastructure that will make people feel safe and comfortable biking around Newton so they don't feel the need to drive for every little trip," said Nicole Freedman, director of transportation planning for the City of Newton.

The information comes as a result of a data-sharing agreement between Lime and MAPC, which created the regional framework that allows Lime to operate in over a dozen communities in the Greater Boston region.

"Greater Boston currently suffers from the worst traffic congestion in the nation, affecting everyone who lives, works or studies in the region. Yet while nearly 50 percent of trips in the region are less than four miles, people still overwhelmingly choose to drive," said Scott Mullen, Lime Director of Northeast Expansion. "MAPC's unprecedented analysis of data from our regional bike share system will enable cities and towns to prioritize safe, inviting infrastructure, which will entice people out of their cars for those short trips and help

to ease congestion for all."

The 16 municipalities served by Lime and included in the data analysis are Arlington, Bedford, Belmont, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Milton, Needham, Newton, Quincy, Revere, Waltham, Watertown and Winthrop.

The report is being published in an online, interactive format that will allow municipal staff, cycling advocates and interested residents to select specific corridors and intersections and download detailed information for further analysis.

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Rain Garden goes from paper to purpose on Wyllis Avenue

By Seth Daniel

What was a neglected entry point to the Northern Strand Community Path – a stretch of pavement desecrated by National Grid for their back-door entrance during the lockout of 2018 - has gone from the drawing boards of about a dozen students at the Madeline English School to a real project carried out and functioning on Wyllis Ave-

This Monday morning, that Rain Garden was inaugurated and celebrated by students, members of the community and business partners. Headed up by Resident Artist Carolyn Lewenberg, the Rain Garden came to life on paper long before it did in reality.

That's because about 12 students collaborated with her starting last winter on the idea of making the little stretch near their school a little more beautiful and a little more helpful for the environment.

They began meeting last spring about what they could do, and spent the entire April Vacation Week coming to the English to work all day on designs and ideas for the Garden.

Ideas like cloud benches, a Lotus mural and a permeable rock pathway were debated and discussed. Now, those three things have been put into practice.

Student Emily Veras said designing the Rain Garden gave her an idea of what engineers do all day. She said it's an unforgettable experience, and she hopes to work on another community project like it again.

"We made it happen and I created so many friendships and bonds that would have never happened otherwise," she said. "Our ideas went out on paper and then came to life here...It warms my heart seeing everything come to life. It's the only project I've ever worked on, but I want to create more things like this for Everett. It is definitely on

my mind for the future. I wouldn't trade this experience for the world."

Mayor Carlo DeMaria said he was proud of the students.

"You decided to take it upon yourselves to do something good for the environment," he said. "By creating this Rain Garden, we are humbled to see young people working together in this way. It is inspiring to us older people."

Amber Christoffersen, Greenways director for Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA), said they were excited to bring in a new generation - young people who have seen the value of protecting their natural resources.

"It's a small scale project, but every little bit counts," she said. "The biggest thing that happened was the youth education piece. We realize we need to seed a new generation of resident that will care for our Greenways and rivers. A project like this helps young people to see the value of these things and not to slip back to what they were."

The Rain Garden is located at the end of Wyllis Avenue adjacent to the Wyllis Condominiums. It was formally named after longtime Conservation Commissioner (and abutter) Jon Norton.



Mayor Carlo DeMaria, Interim Supt. Janice Gauthier and the students from the Madeline English cut the ribbon on the



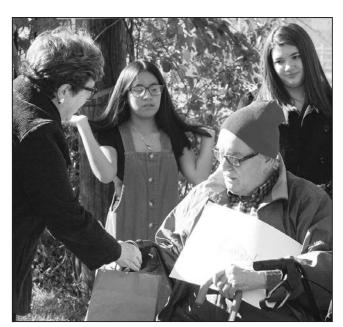
State Rep. Joe McGonagle honored Jon Norton and the students for the work on the Rain Garden.



Mayor Carlo DeMaria said the students should be commended for valuing the environment - and doing something about it.



Emily Veras, one of the students from the English, said she wouldn't trade her experience on the Rain Garden for anything.



Jon Norton receives an award from the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions for his work.



Jon Norton unveils the plaque announcing the Jon Norton Rain Garden on Wyllis Avenue.

A conservationist before conservation was cool

By Seth Daniel

Everett's Jon Norton cut a conservationists edge long before it was cool to be resilient, progressive or any other term associated with climate change and environmental causes.

The life-long Everett resident stood proud of that record on Monday, stating clearing that he has been a member of the Conservation Commission for the past 34 years. "I have been on the Con

Com since 1985 and I haven't missed a single meeting since 1995," he said proudly this week of his service on the all-volunteer board. But beyond that, Norton

was an advocate for recycling, for restoring access the waterfront and for other environmental issues long before it was a priority in City Hall. He was the recycling di-

rector and brought the recycling company Recycle-Bank to Everett many years ago. That was his passion, and Mayor Carlo DeMaria recognized it in a ceremony on Monday. "You were the first

person to be in City Hall talking about recycling and getting access to the waterfront," said the mayor. A lot of people used to run away from you because they didn't know what you were talking about. It was before its time. Now we are



ning Director Tony Sousa and Councilor Wayne Matewsky on Monday. Norton has been on the all-volunteer Con Com since 1985 and hasn't missed a meeting since 1995. On Monday, they named the new Wyllis Avenue Rain Garden - designed by students of the Madeline English School - after him.

putting into place the many things you were telling us about years ago." That was followed by a

touching tribute whereby the new Rain Garden on Wyllis Avenue was named after Jon Norton – the fruition of a policy, that being stormwater absorption, for which he fought for so

many years. Norton was born and raised in Everett, going to the Lafayette School, the Parlin Middle and to the old Everett High. He attended

Salem State College and go his Master's Degree. He was a mathematics teacher for many years before re-On the Conservation

Commission, Norton said

the crowning work of his

tenure was on Encore Bos-

ton Harbor - where scores of meetings were held and hundreds of hours spent on going over the environmental aspects of the project. "We did all of our work

with the Encore project," he said. "The Con Com oversees the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act and nothing could go on down there without us. The biggest thing we did was reviewing that project, no question. It was a unique project...They did everything they said they

were going to do. We had no problem giving them a Certificate of Completion for everything before us." Norton is also very active on the Mystic Valley

Services in Everett.

Elder Services Board, and

also Community Family



Students from the Madeline English who participated in the design and engineering of the Rain Garden posing in front of a Lotus mural on the side of Sampson Engineering.

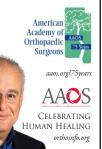
A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

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

As one of the last American children to

in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS. Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus

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





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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

TAX BILLS TO RISE SLIGHTLY

CHELSEA - Chelsea property owners will see a modest increase on their property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2020, with owners of commercial and industrial properties and apartment complexes of nine or more units shouldering a larger burden of the City's overall tax bill.

Monday night, City Manager Thomas Ambrosino presented an overview of the FY2020 tax rates and the valuation of Chelsea properties.

The City Council's annual tax rate classification hearing is scheduled for Nov. 25. At that time, the Council is expected to vote on two recommendations from Ambrosino, including a 175 percent tax burden shift onto commercial and industrial properties, and a 31 percent residential property tax exemption for Chelsea homeowners who live in the city.

If those recommendations are approved by the Council, the residential property tax rate would be \$13.46 per \$1,000 of valuation, while the commercial tax rate would be set at \$27.18.

While both those rates are lower than for FY19, there will be an increase in the average tax bills because of the recent revaluation of Chelsea properties that saw assessed property values increase across the board. The average increase in assessed values ranged from 11.5 percent for single family homes to nearly 40 percent for apartment complexes of nine or more units. The averages ranged from 12 to just over 15 percent for 2, 3, and four-family homes and condomini-

"With adoption of the maximum 175 percent shift and the ability to increase the residential exemption, the City Council will be able to keep tax increases reasonably modest for all owner occupants," said Ambrosino.

While the Council can increase the residential exemption to as much as 35 percent, Ambrosino is recommending it increase only 1 percent from the current 30 percent rate.

"This remaining 5 percent is the most effective tool for lowering residential property taxes and should be reserved for years with high increases," he said.

Cutting to the chase, if the Council approves the two recommendations, the FY20 tax bill for a single family home at the median assessed value of \$357,500 will be \$2,645. That is down 1.6 percent over the average FY19 bill.

For condo owners, the average bill will go up 6.5 percent to \$1,937.

Owners of two-family homes will see a 4.3 percent jump to \$4,191, and owners of three-family homes will see a slight decrease to \$5,553. Four-unit owner occupied properties can expect a .5 percent increase in the tax bill to \$6,688 for the median assessed value of \$659,241.

Ambrosino said City Hall will be open late for several nights before the City Council votes so that property owners can check the new assessed valuations of their properties.

Ambrosino noted that in addition to the residential exemption rate, Chelsea does offer other assistance on property taxes for residents, especially for those 65 and older.

District 1 Councillor Bob Bishop noted that one of his pet peeves about the assessment process is that owners of large apartment complexes are taxed at residential rates, while owners of smaller commercial properties face the burden of the 175 percent tax shift.

"I've advocated that income producing apartments of more than four units should be taxed at the commercial rate," said Ambrosino. "But that would take a Constitutional amendment."

CHELSEA SCHOOLS SHINE BRIGHT AMONG URBAN DISTRICTS

CHELSEA - It's an across-the-city success story, a cause for celebration for parents of Chelsea schoolchildren, a nod for a "great job" by the hard-working principals and teachers at all the schools - from the John Silber Early Learning Center to Chelsea High School - and a final tribute to the exceptional leadership of retiring Supt. of Schools Dr. Mary Bourque - and her Hall

Here are some of the noteworthy accomplishments for a school system that has, for one reason or another, not received its due recognition statewide for what Dr. Bourque called, "this little scrappy school district, the Chelsea public schools and how it is really pushing and redefining urban education":

Chelsea achieved the highest categorization earned by the state's urban districts, that of "Substantial Progress Toward Targets"

Grades 3-8 English Language Arts average student growth percentile exceeded the state target

Chelsea's criterion Reference Target Percentage increased 12 points and is the highest in the District 5 Partnership

Chelsea High School's mathematics average student growth percentile increased 14 points and Advanced Placement Calculus scores outperformed the state and the globe

Chelsea English Lan-

guage Learners improved 13 points showing "Substantial Progress" Chelsea's "Lowest Performing Students" im-

forming Students" improved 22 points in elementary and middle schools and 19 points in high school.

Dr. Bourque said the

road to today's successes began in 2011.

"We've been underfunded all these years, that's why the Mass. Student Opportunity Act (that would add \$1.5 billion to education funding over the next seven years) was so important," said Bourque. "But during these years of underfunding, we've always gone after grants and the grants helped us to do the turn- around work in our schools."

Bourque said Chelsea is seeing "a march towards deep transformational change" in the schools.

"Our AP schools have been slowly increasing, our overall criterion reference scores increased in 2018 and 2019 and our English Language proficiency scores continue to increase," said Bourque.

Chelsea High students are making their mark with their excellent scores in Advanced Placement tests, particularly in Calculus, which certainly illuminates the superb mathematics de-



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

Sophia, as a Fortnite character, Laura, as Captain Marvel, and Isabel, as a unicorn during the City's 15th annual Halloween Party on Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Williams School. The annual tradition drew in many families getting ready for Halloween today, Oct. 31.

partment at CHS. Eightysix seniors took AP exams last year.

"We've been working hard year in and year out toward these achievements," said Bourque. "The last four years we've has about seventy-two percent of students going on to two-or-four-year colleges. The last three years, we have had over \$4 million given in scholarship and awards. That goes beyond what other districts do."

Being able to overcome challenges

There are challenges in the school district. As Bourque notes, for every 100 students who enter in the Chelsea school system, approximately 25 leave within 12 months for various reasons.

"Yet, we're able to move the needle on opening the doors of opportunity for the students," said Bourque.

The superintendent said that classroom size "is in a good, reasonable 22-25 student-to-teacher ratio. There are 6,400 students in the district. The school system is seeing an influx of parents with school-age children moving here from East Boston, where rents for apartments have been soaring.

Superintendent says a team effort is producing great results

What does Dr. Bourque attribute to the improved scores system wide and the increasing number of grad-

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uates going on to excel in college? One of many shining examples is 2018 CHS graduate Deedee Hernandez, who is now a freshman at prestigious Dartmouth College.

"It's our teachers, our administrators, our academic coaches, our district coordinators, our assistant superintendents – everybody is just working coherently, everybody is in the boat rowing in the same direction. I'm very proud of our schools."

Assistant Supt. Kent said, "I would just stress the fact it's a progression – our students do come and go and we do have a lot of mobility - the high school does have wonderful scores but it's coming from a whole system of employment. The success is being built from the ground up."

Superintendent-Elect Dr. Almi Abeyta will be succeeding Dr. Bourque at the helm of the Chelsea school system. She is ready to carry on the excellence and pursue even greater heights for the district.

"There are a lot of systems and structures in place," said Abeyta. "The academic work on the instructional side is strong so my job will just be to carry it to the next level. My goal is to continue to work and to make sure we're steering the ship in the right direction that it's already been going in."

GREENWAY NAMED FOR MARY ELLEN WELCH

EAST BOSTON - The godmother of East Boston community activism, the late Mary Ellen Welch, was not much for adulations, awards or honors. Instead, Welch preferred to quietly go about her daily commitment to improving the lives of all who called Eastie home and inspiring generations to become community leaders.

Sure, in her earlier years she was on the front lines protesting airport expansion. She joined the legendary Maverick Mothers and blocked Logan construction trucks that were disrupting the quality of lives for hundreds that lived on the street in the 1960s.

Yes, she was a force to be reckoned with at community meetings when her beloved community was threatened in any way.

And there are countless beautification and open space projects that dot the entire neighborhood that have her fingerprints all over them.

But when it came to honors or hero worship she shrugged them off as silly, especially in her later years when she preferred to work behind the scenes--writing hundreds of letters to decision makers expressing her opinion or offering sage ad-

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vice to those who sought it. So those who gathered at the East Boston Greenway Caboose last Saturday afternoon to officially name the Greenway after Welch were in an awkward situa-

On one hand the friends, family, elected officials and residents who gathered and benefitted from her decades of activism needed to honor her after her unexpected passing in March at the age of 77.

On the other hand, those who knew and loved her knew she would have been embarrassed by the whole affair and the fact everyone was making such a fuss over her.

Her longtime friend and collaborator Fred Salvucci had a solution.

"I see a cloud moving in and at any minute Mary Ellen is going to send a lightning strike down because she did not want to be recognized (for her accomplishments)," said Salvucci Saturday at the dedication.

Salvucci said there is still a lot of unfinished work to be done in Eastie, work that inspired Welch everyday. So Salvucci looked up

to the clouds and told the heavens, "Mary Ellen, this is not a memorial, but a rally to organize support and keep going!" For over a half century

Welch was the steward of social, political and environmental activism in the neighborhood.

Welch, a longtime community activist and school teacher, helped bring a neighborhood with the least amount of open space to a community with award winning sprawling parks and greenways.

Sadly, on Thursday, March 7 Eastie lost Welch after she battled an illness for several months.

As one of the founding members of the Friends of the East Boston Greenway, Welch worked for decades to take a neglected stretch of the old Narrow Gauge Railroad and transform it into a system of lush landscaped park so residents could enjoy a stroll from Jeffries Point to Orient

Welch was one of a small group of Eastie residents who believed the trash filled, abandoned freight tracks could become a welcoming, safe Greenway would remove years of contamination in the midst of the neighborhood.

At Saturday's dedication Welch's lifelong friend Roberta Marchi, whose children fondly called Welch "Auntie Mary," spoke of her commitment to the neighborhood--even in failing health.

"One of Mary's major priorities was always the creation of more green space in East Boston," said Marchi. "She became an active member and supporter of the Piers Park Initiative and the Greenway Council, where she served as Chairwoman for years until poor health prevented her from leaving her home. Even then, she continued to attend meetings via phone conference calls. She never gave up networking with hundreds of contacts and personal friends that she had made along the way with whom she could work to create new initiatives and promote more oppor-She influenced tunities. many politicians and power brokers by her amazing powers of persuasion, using poetry, home-baked cookies and visits at her home to share a glass of wine with newsreporters, authors, activists, analysts and university students who were interested in promoting the

causes that were dear to her heart." Mayor Martin Walsh called Welch a hero.

"Often times we use

when dedicating things after sports figures or political figures and those are nice," said Walsh. "But it's when we recognize a great Bostonian like Mary Ellen Welch who loved her community as a teacher, a mentor and an activist is when the word 'hero' means a little more. Mary Ellen represented the best values and dedicating the Greenway to her is the perfect way to honor this local legend. When we think about heroes, when we think about true heroes Mary Ellen Welch is at the top of that list."

SUFFOLK DOWNS **DEVELOPER** ANNOUNCES **NEW COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS**

EAST BOSTON - The HYM Investment Group recently announced it was committed to extending the East Boston Greenway and making additional contributions to its partnership with the East Boston Social Centers (EBSC) to create a more interconnected, community-oriented neighbor-

HYM, the development team behind the redevelopment of the 161-acre Suffolk Downs site on the East Boston-Revere line, announced it will fund the full design and construction of an East Boston Greenway (EBG) extension from Constitution Beach to the southeast corner of the development, following along Bennington Street and Walley Street. The move is in line with the goal of making Suffolk Downs a walkable, multimodal transit-served, and better-connected neighborhood.

"The Friends of the East Boston Greenway are excited about the Greenway extension, and we're glad to partner with HYM on this initiative," said President of the Friends of the East Boston Greenway Karen Maddalena, "We look forward to a continued process to create new permanent open space."

The Greenway extension will create an improved biking, running and walking experience with designated pedestrian and bicycle crossing at Bennington Street and Walley Street with appropriate traffic safety measures. This extension will combat traffic congestion and create a more connected and easily accessible East Boston by allowing for more bike-friendly connections from city to city. In addition to extending

the EBG, the HYM Investment Group has announced a flagship partnership with the East Boston Social Centers with plans to integrate the EBSC into the Suffolk Downs redevelopment. "This collaboration will

play a critical role in developing an enduring facilities strategy for years to come," said Executive Director of The East Boston Social Centers Justin Pasquariello. "Securing the highest quality facilities enables us to focus on delivering on our mission-ensuring that all children served by the EBSC -- and all children in East Boston--enter Kindergarten ready to learn, joyful and thriving." The EBSC is an inte-

gral part of the East Boston community, effecting change not only in East Boston but also throughout Greater Boston for over 100 years. Serving members of the community through childcare, public health, and social work, the EBSC's programs are empowering the community and will continue to do so and extend its reach with an additional location at Suf-

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folk Downs.

"The HYM Investment Group's mission of creating an extension of the existing, vibrant neighborhoods around Suffolk Downs as the redevelopment moves forward".

> However, the Lawyers for Civil Rights (LCR) submitted extensive comments to the Boston Planning and Development Agency

> Thomas O'Brien said these

commitments to support

the East Boston Greenway

and East Boston Social Centers are consistent with

(BPDA) outlining legal and equity concerns with the proposed redevelopment of the Suffolk Downs site. 'Cities that are diverse and inclusive thrive," wrote

LCR in a statement. "That is why development must be carefully planned, to avoid displacing long-time residents and businesses, communities of color, and low-wage workers. Housing in particular must be affordable to a broad range of families and individuals." Sprawling over two cit-

ies and more than 150 acres, Suffolk Downs is one of the largest projects in Boston's history and includes the creation of an entirely new neighborhood that will feature public spaces, residences, and extensive retail and commercial units.

"We do not want East Boston to become another Seaport," wrote the LCR. "The last thing Boston needs is another predominantly affluent space that both fails to reflect the rich diversity of this city, and that lacks basic community amenities. We are not anti-development. We are pro-growth - smart and equitable growth. Our work is motivated by contemporary race-and-class dynamics, and the legacy of housing and economic segregation in Boston. As the city becomes one of the most expensive in North America, our goal is to ensure that it thrives by retaining its vibrant socioeconomic and racial diversity."

LACK OF INTEREST FOR UNIFORM **PILOT**

A uniform pilot that was set in motion during the 2017-2018 school year, has come to a close due to lack of interest. The pilot was launched at Callahan and Aborn Elementary Schools in the fall of 2017, to gauge the interest from both students and parents. Consisting of a uniform t-shirt, the pilot was initially met with some energy and enthusiasm, that later expired at both schools.

School Superintendent Tutwiler met with both school principals and confirmed that there was a lack of interest in the school communities. There was also not enough requested orders of shirts and other uniform items to meet the minimum requirement to place an order last year as well as this fall. It was determined that there were a few factors leading to the waning interest, including the lack of flexibility in ordering options, as there were only certain points in the year when students could opt to order additional shirts. The fact that wearing the uniform T-shirts is an option made it less of a priority for families, and legally, uniforms cannot be mandated, as there is always an opt-out preference. "At this point, I'd rec-

ommend ending the pilot, although it has ended on its own," said Tutwiler. "Personally I do not have a problem with uniforms in schools if it's that school community's wish. If we do rethink this and pursue it in the future, I'd advise to

Tutwiler shared that the

ment beforehand."

gauge interest and commit-

broad survey that was sent out to Callahan Elementary School, only captured half of the families of the 430 students, and not all who responded were in favor. When reviewing the data to see if any notable changes took place with those who opted for the uniforms, there was no difference in attendance and while there was a slight difference in discipline, it did not reflect a trend. The principals also reported that the cost of the uniform shirts did not seem to be an issue with parents, as there was no feedback alluding to this.

"I want to thank the prin-

cipals who implemented the pilot, the PTO members, and parents who were a huge help running surveys and getting the pilot off the ground," said School Committee Member, Jared Nicholson. "When we have a district of this size, it gives us a great opportunity to try new ideas and do a pilot like this. When you do a pilot, you are testing to see if something works or doesn't work, and that is data and feedback that we have now. When I started working on this it was driven by parent interest and if the interest is no longer there, there goes the program. The other things are all things we can address and are fixable, but if we don't have the original parent interest, I can't imagine

LOCAL SCIENCE **TEACHER TAKES** PART IN PROGRAM

it would be successful."

WINTHROP cal science teachers, including Winthrop High School's Meghan Dooley, learned how to edit genes using CRISPR during a free professional development workshops by Acera Education Innovation (AceraEI). The goal is for participants to bring this curriculum to their own public school classrooms. Short for "clustered reg-

ularly interspaced short palindromic repeats" CRISPR is a family of DNA sequences found within the genomes of organisms such as bacteria. The technique is considered to be at the leading edge of scientific research.

The teachers went through the first of a twoday intensive workshop on October 18 Michael Hirsch, AceraEI's Life Sciences Specialist and Curriculum Lead. Hirsch's curriculum included conducting handson experiments using a CRISPR-based molecular biology assay and detecting bacterial transformation.

The workshops are funded through recent \$50,000 grants from both the Amgen Foundation and Bristol-Myers Squibb. In addition to the training, teachers have access to ongoing support to assist schools in creating science labs that teach 21st century skills, engaging students in cutting-edge biology and fostering the next generation of innovators and scientists.

Winthrop High School biology teacher Meghan Dooley sees a benefit in introducing the unit as early as ninth grade. "It is easy to scaffold the units to be able to build skills at a lower level, so that when students reach AP or upper level biology electives they are able to focus more on the content versus the techniques," she said.

AceraEI trained its first group of high school biology teachers in gene editing earlier this year, and participating teachers began applying the curriculum in their own classrooms with students. As a result of this training, more than 3,000 public school students will soon apply CRISPR to edit a gene in their high school science classrooms. "All students should

be able to link classroom learning to real-world innovations; the CRISPR toolkit is the first step in our plan to collaborate with schools to reinvent high school biology," said Courtney Dickinson, founder and director of Acera. "Working with breakthrough technology that is in the news, and engaging in deep discussions to understand these innovations, including how they work and why they matter, makes science labs meaningful and enable students to see a pathway for themselves as future scientists and innovators."

AceraEI exists to transform STEM education in public schools and develop the next generation of scientists, innovators, and leaders. AceraEI works with public school districts to develop a plan for transforming STEM education. Founded in 2010, Acera's lab school is a nonprofit STEM school serving students in Grades K-8. The school and its enrichment programs function as an educational innovation hub to invent new curricula with evidence-based pedagogy, founded with the mission to help catalyze change in public education. Acera pedagogy engages students to learn habits of mind like systems thinking, problem-solving, emotional intelligence and collaboration skills within projects aligns with each student's capacities and interests, in an inquiry-based approach. For more information on Acera and AceraEI, visit www.aceraschool.org and follow us on Twitter @AceraEI.

COUNCIL HONOR SERVICE OF SGT. **CHRIS GIANNINO**

REVERE - The City Council voted unanimously to award a Certificate of Commendation to Revere Police Sgt. Chris Giannino in recognition of protecting and serving the City of Revere for 30 years on the Revere Police Department.

Councillors Steven Morabito and Joanne McKenna co-sponsored the motion recognizing Giannino's outstanding record of service to the city.

LICENSE COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON REPORTS VANDALISM

REVERE - Revere Police are summonsing an East Boston man for allegedly vandalizing the vehicle of the Revere License Commission Chair Rob Selevich after the two had a heated verbal disagreement at the most recent Licensing meeting.

The meeting featured the suspect, Ralph Ravesi, who operates a food truck at the Farmer's Market, having a long verbal disagreement with Selevich over the licensing of their food truck - as well as alleged political motivations for that trouble. After more than 10 minutes of yelling, a Revere Police officer finally convinced Ravesi and his business partners to leave the Council Chambers.

They did not go quietly. Now Police say Ravesi is suspected of vandalizing Selevich's vehicle in front of his home.

Police said Selevich came to the Station to file a report that, at some point after the contentious meeting, his car was vandalized. Sources have said that Ravesi is specifically charged with busting out the windows with a brick.

Police conducted an investigation into the matter. and with evidence secured during the investigation, have issued a summons on Ravesi for Malicious De-



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OBITUARIES

Dora Apruzzese

Of Everett

Dora T. (Olivero) Apruzzese, 97, of Everett, died

on Oct. 31. She was the beloved wife of the late John P. Apruzzese, loving mother of Marie DiDomenico and her husband, Sal, Lucille Barrett and her husband, Leo and Vincent Apruzzese and his wife. Beverly; loving sister of Louise Rock and the late Frank, Lena, Vincent "Jim," Armando, Helen and Josie. She is survived by 10 beloved grandchildren and 16 cherished great-grand-

Her Funeral will be from the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main St., Everett, today, Wednesday, Nov. 6 at 9 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church in Everett at 10 am. Relatives and friends are



kindly invited. Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum in Everett. Donations in Dora's memory may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, P.O. Box 98018, Washington, DC 20090.

For more information: 1-877-71-ROCCO or roccofuneralhomes.com.

Maria Lea Magnani

Late member of the Orsogna Women's Club of Everett

Maria Lea (Silvestri) Magnani of Everett entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, Oct. 30 surrounded by her loving family. She was 80 years old.

Born in San Gemignano, Italy, Maria Lea lived in Everett for 59 years and worked at the Massachusetts General Hospital for many years where she made many lifelong friends. She was a late member of the Orsogna Women's Club of Everett.

The beloved wife of the late Luciano for 57 years, she was the loving mother of Laura Vlasuk and her husband, James C. Vlasuk of Middleton and Diana D'Alba and her husband, Anthony D'Alba of Stoneham; loving grandmother of James C. Vlasuk, II and Emily D'Alba and sis-



ter of Anna Bonacchi and her husband, Giuseppe of Michigan. She is also survived by her wonderful nieces, Stephanie Bonacchi and Gina Hespen.

Funeral arrangements were by the Cafasso & Sons Funeral Home, 65 Clark Street. (Corner of Main St.) Everett. Entombment was in Woodlawn Cemetery Community Mausoleum (Versailles) Everett.

Maria DeSimone

Of Everett

Maria (Civitareale) DeSimone, of Everett, born in Vittorito, Italy, died on Oct. 30 at the age of 86.

The beloved wife of the

late Gino DeSimone, she was the loving mother of Nancy DiFilipo and her husband, Thomas, Marilena Toomajian and her husband, Charles, Viviana Cunsolo and her husband, Vincenzo, Gino DeSimone Jr. and his wife, Rosanne and Marco DeSimone and his wife, Maria Patricia. She was the daughter of the late Giuseppe Civitareale and Domenica, sister of the late Rocco, Palma, Anna, Ludovica "Dora" and Americo. She is also, survived by 11 grandchildren: Gina and her husband, Kevin, Nicole, Kirk, Marc, Rocco, Vincenzo Jr., Regina, Gino III, Maria, Sofia and Marco Jr and one great granddaughter: Giana.



Funeral arrangements were by the Salvatore Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, Everett. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Donations may be made in Maria's memory to the Kaplan Family Hospice House, 78 Liberty Street, Danvers, MA 01923. For more information: 1-877-71-ROCCO or roccofuneralhomes.com.

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Row House holding grand opening event at Lovejoy Wharf

Boston Savings Bank, Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA), Boston Local Development Corporation (BLDC) and the Massachusetts Small Business Administration (SBA) partnered in providing the funding for a new fitness studio, Row House located at 25 Lovejoy Wharf near Boston's North

Row House, owned by Gyee and Robert O'Malley is part of a nationwide fitness franchise that offers a 45-min full body cardio coach-led workout on indoor rowers. Row House has 36 existing locations in several states including New York, California and Texas. All Row House workouts are low-impact, high-energy, effective and efficient because rowing works the core, back, arms and legs and engages 85% of muscles.

Row House Boston pro-

vides several classes all designed by fitness professional and rowers, conducted in the studio every day, and each class is be led by a certified coach who goes through rigorous classroom and studio training at the Row House University. Financing for this project

was made possible in part by collaboration between EBSB, BLDC (Boston Local Development Corporation) and the SBA. We are pleased

that we were able to build this partnership supporting a new business in Boston providing quality jobs.

Row House Grand Opening Reception is Thursday, Nov. 14, at 11 a.m. at 25

Lovejoy Wharf, Street, Bos-

Local politicians, senior members of East Boston Savings Bank, BPDA, BLDC and SBA will be in attendance.

CHURCH News

Immaculate Conception Parish

News and Notes

Our Parish Staff: Father Joseph Chacha Marwa,

S.M.A. Administrator; Father Ernest Egbedike, S.M.A. Parochial Vicar;

Secretary Barbara Can-

Weekly Mass Schedule at Immaculate Conception is as follows:

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) 4:00 p.m., Sunday 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 11:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

12:15 p.m. Spanish Community

4:00 p.m. Haitian Community

Masses are being held in the Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Each Thursdays' adoration will conclude the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to spend a few moments with Our Blessed Lord

Bring a Book-Buy a Book We have a new Fundraiser Program in the back of the Church. It's called Bring a Book-Buy a Book. All books are a dollar and any money collected will go towards our Stain Glass Fund. Brink a Book and Buy a Book and make a donation. Our selections are great and varied. Please stop by the table and see what we have. Thank you

> **Immaculate Conception Parish** 489 Broadway Everett, Mass 02149 Phone 617-389-5660

Glendale United Methodist Church

News and Notes

Glendale United Methodist Church is open to all and we welcome people of all faiths, race, nationalities and sexual preference. No one is ever turned away. If you are looking for a new home church, we would like you to check us out and let us know what we can do to make church a better fit in your life.

Bible Study: Consider joining us for Bible study on Sunday. We meet in the Church Parlor off the Chapel from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Sponsor the bulletin! For a \$5 donation, you can dedicate the Sunday bulletin to recognize family, friends, or special occasions. There is a sign-up sheet in the Pastor's study. Feel free to choose your particular week and leave a copy of your dedication in the mail in that is on the Pastor's door. Please contact the Pastor if you have any questions.

Boy Scout Troop 814: Meet in Cooper Hall on Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. Cub Pack 11 meets on Saturday mornings.

NA Meetings - Mon. Bring Your Own Book 7:30

- 9:30 p.m.; Thurs. I Can't But We Can, 8:00 7:30 -9:30 p.m.

AA Meeting - Saturday

evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 Pastor's Office Hours:

Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Other times by appointment. Bread of Life Donations -

This outreach is being done to honor the United Methodist Women's Group, who for so many years were our outreach source. Please bring any food item(s) to church and place in the box located on the altar.

We are on the Internet http://www.glendaleumc-everett.org **Glendale United Methodist Church Pastor David Jackson** 392 Ferry Street (across from Glendale Towers) Please enter the church by the driveway on Walnut Street 617-387-2916 PastorDavidJackson58@gmail.com Pastor's Office Hours: Saturdays 10 AM to 2 PM. Other times by appointment.

Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

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Grace Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open & welcoming to all.

There are 3 services on Sundays: 10 a.m. English, 1 p.m. South Sudanese (Dinka) and 3 p.m. Haitian Creole. We have Sunday school during each service in the Children's Room. Coffee Hour starts after the 10am service in the Parish Hall

(entrance on 11 Liberty St.) Come all and let us walk together in this season of hope, renewal and new beginnings.

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church 67 Norwood Street, Everett, MA Phone 617-387-7526 or 508-243-8487

Mystic Side Congregational Church

News and Notes

Mystic Side Congregational Church is located in Everett, on Malden-Everett border, at 422 Main Street. We offer a warm, inviting atmosphere, and all are welcome. Our Sunday Church service starts at 10:30 a.m. and Communion is offered on the first

Sunday of each month. A very pleasant coffee hour and socializing follow our services. Parking is available in our lot next to the church on Wyllis Ave. (one way off Main Street). We look forward to welcoming you this Sunday.

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- LEGAL NOTICE -CITY OF EVERETT



BOARD OF APPEALS 484 Broadway **Everett, Massachusetts 02149** (617) 381-7445

To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is to inform you that a public hearing will be held on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM, Everett City Hall, 3rd Floor, George Keverian Hearing Room. All interested parties may attend and opinions will be heard regarding the following petition.

Property Address: 178-180 Hancock Street Everett, MA 02149 Map/Parcel: C0-01-000155 **Property Owner: Timothy Penso**

Whereas a petition has been presented by:

178-180 Hancock Street Everett, MA 02149

PROPOSAL:

The applicant proposes to convert the existing accessory structure garage into a single family dwelling by renovating the interior and installing new windows and doors. There are no exterior build outs or additions proposed. The existing lot is 6000 sf and is located in a Dwelling District and contains an existing principle structure two family dwelling. The applicant proposed adequate parking for the additional dwelling unit.

REASON FOR DENIAL:

Appendix A Section 3 (13): which states the following: "Any lot, which is to be occupied for residential purpose shall have a frontage of at least twenty (20) feet wide on one or more streets and there shall be not more than one (1) structure of the type permitted for each such lot." The applicant needs relief in the form of a variance from the Board of

A copy of the application is on file in the Office of the City Clerk located at City Hall, 484 Broadway, Everett, MA and can be inspected during regular business hours.

> **BOARD OF APPEALS** FOR THE CITY OF **EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS** Mary Gerace - Chairman Robert Suppa Clerk - Board of Appeals



November 6, 2019 and November 13, 2019

- LEGAL NOTICE -CITY OF EVERETT



EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS **PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ZONING AMENDMENT**

Everett Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 25, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Speaker George Keverian Room, third floor, City Hall, 484 Broadway Street, Everett, MA on a proposed Amendment that the Zoning Ordinance be amended by adding a new section: Section 34: Short-Term Rentals. Below is the draft language: SHORT-TERM RENTALS Section 34

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, M.G.L. Section 5, the

A. Purposes. The purposes of developing Section 34, Short-Term Rentals, 1. To allow zoning compliance for Division 18A "Short-Term Rental Licens-

- es", thus enabling Short-Term Rental Licenses to be properly administered by the Board of Licensing Commissioners. 2. To safely encourage the use of Short-Term Rentals throughout the City
- of Everett. B. Applicability.
- 1. Section 34, "Short-Term Rentals", shall apply to all Zoning Districts. 2. The requirement for "Primary Residence" or "Owner-Occupied" Short-
- Term Rentals, as defined in Section ____of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett, shall apply only to the following districts:
- I. Dwelling District II. Lower Broadway Residential Detached District III. Apartment District

3. In any district not mentioned in Section 34 (B)(2), the Short-Term Rental

Unit need not be Owner-Occupied so long as a property manager is on

duty for said Short-Term Rental Unit(s).

License Commissioners.

- C. Use Regulations 1. No Residential Unit shall operate as a Short-Term Rental without first receiving a license from the Board of License Commissioners.
- 2. The use of a Residential Unit as a Short-Term Rental for residential occupancy for a fee by a person or persons shall be limited to thirty-one (31) consecutive calendar days.
- 3. A valid Short-Term Rental License shall last for one year, automatically expiring on December 31st. To continue operation as a Short-Term Rental, the Operator must apply for a renewal, the process for which is detailed in Division 18A "Short-Term Rental Licenses"
- 4. While there is no limit to the amount of bedrooms that can be utilized in a Short-Term Rental, there is a limited occupancy load of two (2) persons per bedroom in a Short-Term Rental. 5. The Operator of a Short-Term Rental must abide by and adhere to any

and all conditions on the Short-Term Rental license given by the Board of

Following the public hearing, the Planning Board will provide a report and recommendation to the Everett City Council on the proposed zoning

A copy of the proposed zoning amendment is on file in the Office of the City Clerk as well as the Department of Planning and Development, City Hall, 484 Broadway, Everett, MA, and can be inspected during regular City Hall business hours.

All persons interested or wishing to be heard on the proposal should appear at the time and place designated.

> Frederick Cafasso, Chairman **EVERETT PLANNING BOARD** November 6, 2019 and November 13, 2019

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Encore partners with Goldman Global Arts to create large-scale art installation in Boston

Staff Report

Encore Boston Harbor announced this week its partnership with Goldman Global Arts (GGA), the curators of the Wynnwood Walls in Miami, to develop two murals located on Alford Street near the Charlestown/Everett line. Together, Encore and GGA have commissioned world-renowned artists Tavar Zawacki and Okuda San Miguel to create the large-scale public art display. Painting began on Oct. 11 and is now complete.

"We are pleased to partner with Goldman Global Arts, a respected national leader in the public art space, to bring these large-scale art installations to life on lower Broadway," said Matt Maddox, CEO of Wynn Resorts. "Creating an entertainment district adjacent to Encore is incredibly exciting to us. This is the very beginning of our effort to stimulate and engage people's imagination for the future."

"Goldman Global Arts uses art to transform the familiar into the extraordinary. We are very excited to have teamed up with Wynn Resorts to add to the already exceptional progress happening in the Everett entertainment district," said Jessica Goldman Srebnick. "Public art is an important component in creating street life. It is our desire to continue to bring color, texture and joy to communities around the United States. We are honored to be working in Boston."

Zawacki is an American contemporary artist best known for his three different styles of street works; multi-layer, full color social and political stencils, colorful abstract arrow compositions and large text-based painted murals. His works have been showcased in galleries and creative in-

stitutions around the world since 2005. At the age of 19, he moved to Paris where he started painting his trademark above arrow icon. The concept Zawacki created for the Alford Street installation was inspired by the length of the wall and visualizes a gradient design that "runs" 146-feet along Alford Street.

"As with all of my murals, I aim to create a design that is complimentary to the structure of the wall. The design inspiration here builds off a previous mural project I created where I learned how to paint gradients on a lengthy scale," said Zawacki. "I am excited to expand my previous knowledge and design the more refined Boston Harbor mural. I choose a color palette that is highly personal to my associations with a visit I made to New England in 2016."

Spanish-born Okuda San Miguel is considered to be one of the most renowned artists among the contemporary art movement, celebrated for his unique geometric structures and patterns that have developed their own instantly recognizable language. iconographic Featured in hundreds of solo and group exhibitions, his works can be seen in streets and galleries around the world including India, Mali, Mozambique, United States, Japan, South America, South Africa, Mexico, many parts of Europe and beyond. Highly sought after for large scale projects. Okuda is perhaps best known for his conversion of an abandoned Spanish church aptly named Kaos Temple, which has become a new icon of contemporary art.

"I created a rainbow background as an atmosphere for diversity where we find animals in different states of transformation into magical beings - a reference to ancient cultures that had a

greater connection with nature by acquiring the identity of animals in their rituals. The composition sets to highlight the necessity to find a more balanced relationship between animals and humans," says Okuda San Miguel of his mural, titled 'Magical Animal.'

In addition to his newest mural Okuda San Miguel's 'Air Sea Land' collection can also be seen in Boston lining Seaport Boulevard.

The new murals are painted on Eversource-owned walls outside its Mystic substation following a partnership between Encore Boston Harbor and the energy com-

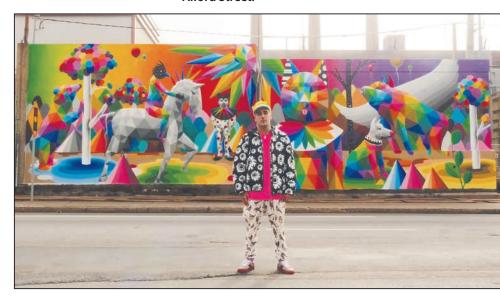
"We're thrilled to have the mural painted at our substation," said Eversource President of Transmission Katherine Prewitt. "This particular artwork offers an aesthetic touch that fits in very well with the community and provides a beautiful façade to our property. We're proud to have partnered with the cities of

Boston and Everett, and the Encore Boston Harbor to support this project."

Goldman Global Arts is a Miami and New York-based creative collective founded by Jessica Goldman Srebnick and Peter Tunney. GGA strives to elevate the platform of street art and public art as an instrument of change.



World-renowned street artist Tavar Zawacki at work on Alford Street.



Okuda San Miguel with 'Animal Magical' on Lower Broadway at the Charlestown/Everett



Okuda at work on his mural, 'Animal Magic.'

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