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DeMaria: City to begin early design for new Police Station

By Seth Daniel

Using his Midterm Address on Monday as a platform, Mayor Carlo DeMaria announced that the City would be starting the process of building a new Police Station.

In the speech, as a very short announcement that was much bigger news than the space it took up, the mayor said the City is working towards a new Police Station.

"We are in the process of designing a new Police Station," he said with a smile,

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EHS GIRLS BASKETBALL NOW 6-0

PHOTO BY JARED CHARNEY

Arielle Charles dishes out an assist to a teammate during a 44-20 win against the Charlestown High Townies last Friday afternoon, Jan. 3. The Everett Crimson Tide girls continued their unbeaten ways with the win, sitting at 6-0. See page 12 for more photos.

Abruzzese returns as chair of School Committee

By Seth Daniel

When School Committeeman Tom Abruzzese walked into the annual organizational meeting last year during the first meeting of the year, he had no idea he would emerge as the chair.

In fact, in one of the most pressure-packed and contentious years on the School Committee for decades, Abruzzese lent his leadership to the body, and this Monday, his returning colleagues and new members gave him another year as chair.

In a unanimous vote, Abruzzese was elected chair of the School Committee for a second term Monday night.

"Last year I wasn't prepared to say anything because it was a complete surprise," he said after being elected. "This year, I wanted to be prepared with a few comments. Unfortunately, when I started to write things down, my pen started writing positive things, but turned into negative things. Maybe I'm growing sensitive in my old age. Even tonight there was a negative spin on something we did. I want to move past the negative this year. It's a great School Committee. It's exciting to see different faces – faces that have already given me good advice.

"Unlike last year, when I didn't know what to expect, this year I'll have a better handle on things," he continued.

School Committeeman Tom Abruzzese was unanimously chosen for a second term as chair of the Committee on Monday.

New member Samantha Lambert listens to a piece of business in the first School Committee meeting Monday.

Cynthia Sarnie officially joined the school committee on Monday evening.

Abruzzese said he wanted to promote freedom for

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Everett Inauguration

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio elected president in 10-0 vote

By Seth Daniel

The crowds were enormous on Monday night, Jan. 6, as residents packed the Council Chambers at City Hall to usher in the new, most diverse Council ever in City history.

It was standing room only for the ceremony that welcomed three new councilors and a host of returning incumbents, who will be led in 2020 by new Council President Rosa DiFlorio – who is also the dean of the Council.

As the Everett High String Orchestra played several medleys, crowds began to gather in the Chambers more than 30 minutes ahead of the 6 p.m. ceremony. Many in the audience were there to see the swearing in of new Councilors Gerly Adrien, Stephanie Martins and Jimmy Tri Le. They represented a major influx of new, and diverse, leadership on the body – joining a Council that had already begun to forge its own path in City Hall during the latter part of the year.

The new councilors were joined by returning councilors Fred Capone, Anthony DiPierro, DiFlorio, Michael McLaughlin, John Hanlon,

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PHOTO BY KATY ROGERS

The new Everett City Council and School Committee (top right) took the Oath of Office on Monday night in the Council Chambers to a standing-room-only crowd that packed the Chambers to witness the inauguration of the most diverse City Council (left) in the history of Everett. There was great celebration of the event, and it was followed by Mayor Carlo DeMaria (top left), who gave a detailed Midterm Address on his initiatives and visions for Everett in 2020 and beyond. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Mayor details vast vision for City of Everett in Midterm Address

By Seth Daniel

In a speech that will likely set the tone for the new decade, Mayor Carlo DeMaria delivered a vast vision in a 70-minute Midterm Address to the City Council in a jam-packed Council Chambers on Monday night, Jan. 6, titling it 'Pride, Progress and Possibilities' – a motto often seen on signage around Everett.

"To some, this motto may mean nothing more than a string of four words," he said. "To me, however, this motto serves as an homage to who we are, a reflection on what we've accomplished, and a call to action for innovation and implementation. Everett is driven by its residents, and is fast becoming a home to new faces, new businesses, and new ideas. We serve as pioneers throughout the State and nation. Our color

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Local tax collections show strength for Encore hotel in last quarter of 2019

By Seth Daniel

The state released numbers for the local option meals and room taxes statewide on Monday, Jan. 6, and the Everett numbers for hotel room excise taxes skyrocketed from the previous quarter – and were up from zero just two years ago.

The excise taxes are local option taxes collected by hotel operators, and submitted to the state. The state releases the numbers for hotel excise on a quarterly basis, with those numbers being a good indicator of how a hotel property performed over the three-month period.

In Everett, the hotel excise jumped to $1.346 million in the last quarter of 2019 (October, November and December), which was up from $505,330 in the previous quarter. It was only the second quarter that Encore Boston Harbor had its operations running full-speed, and showed a remarkable improvement over the hotels first quarter of operations (July, August and September).

There are only two hotel operators in Everett, that being Encore and the EnVision Hotel. EnVision has been up and running for about 18 months now, and provided the City with about $100,000 per quarter in hotel excise before Encore opened in June 2019. That would roughly figure out to Encore accounting for $1.2 million of the latest quarter in excise tax – signaling that the hotel has been much busier than it was in the opening period for the resort.

In the fiscal year 2017, Everett had zero dollars collected the entire year for hotel excise – meaning that if the Encore casino continues to perform, it could

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Superintendent contracts with consultant for education funding

By Seth Daniel

A new consultant has been contracted by the Everett Public Schools to advise the district on the increased funding and implementation of the Student Opportunity Act – the wide-ranging education reform bill signed into law last November.

Interim Supt. Janice Gauthier told the School Committee on Monday in their first meeting of the year that she had executed a contract with Ribas Associates to come up with a three-year plan for the Student Opportunity Act. The Act looks to bring a lot of new funding into the district incrementally over the next seven years, starting in this year's State Budget. Districts all over the state – particularly Gateway City districts like Everett, Chelsea and Revere – have begun planning for the best uses of the money as it begins to come in.

Gauthier said it would likely be similar to a District Improvement Plan, and that former Lexington Supt. Paul Ash would be working on the Everett plan.

"This is a reality that is coming along soon," said Gauthier. "It will be very interesting work and it's all about the kids and raising them up the best way possible."

•Executive Session Soon

Chair Tom Abruzzese said the Committee and its new members would need to have an Executive Session briefing as soon as possible and before the next meeting on Jan. 21.

He said he thought that meeting would take place sometime next week.

"There are some things you have to be made aware of that are going on in the Everett Public Schools," he said.

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the members to speak out, no matter whether tensions or passions are high.

"Last year, a lot of times it got heated," he said. "I don't think it's bad to get heated, but I don't think it's okay to get heated when things get personal. Things aren't supposed to be personal. We're here to do the bidding of the kids and students of Everett. I will maintain my composure. I lost it one time. I won't let that happen again."

School Committeeman Frank Parker nominated Abruzzese for chair, and said he had done amazing work over the past year. From negotiating successful teacher contracts to running the superintendent search process, he said Abruzzese had done tremendous service to the City.

"What we did not know last year when he was elected, was he was the right man for the job," he said. "What he did for this community will likely never be fully known. He did so much and at times at the expense of his family."

For Vice Chair, Parker won unanimously as well, 9-0.

In his comments, Parker encouraged returning members and new members to specialize in some aspect of education.

"When you decide where that path is to go, let us know so we can get you the resources you need," he said.

Interim Supt. Janice Gauthier was sworn in also as the secretary of the Committee.

The first meeting was quite a milestone, as it was the first with several new members. Three new members joined two members who had been appointed, and were elected for the first time (Marcony Almeida Barros and Millie Cardello). It gave the School Committee an entirely new face from what it had been for many years prior to 2018.

2020 residential parking stickers now available

Mayor Carlo DeMaria and the Office of the Parking Clerk would like to notify residents to obtain their residential parking stickers.

Vehicle owners must visit the website https://everettparking.cityhallsystems.com/ and submit an online application in order to receive their stickers. Please make sure any prior parking violations and excise tax must be fully paid prior to submitting an application. Once the online application is complete, stickers will then be mailed directly to the resident. A link to the parking sticker website will also be available on the City's official website, cityofeverett.com as well as the City's Facebook Page.

As a courtesy, stickers may still be obtained for FREE until February 28th. Then, beginning March 1st, the $10, per sticker, fee will once again be reinstated.

Residents may apply for up to 4 stickers per online application. Information required to complete the application include name, address (include floor number and apartment number, if applies), license plate number, the name that appears on the registration, email and phone number. Please make sure any prior parking violations and excise tax must be fully paid prior to submitting an application. Once a resident has successfully submitted an application, they will receive an email notification of the order. Upon verification of their information, the resident will then receive an additional email as confirmation that the order has been successfully processed. The parking sticker will then be mailed to the resident.

To assist residents with the process, the Mayor's Office of Constituent Services will be available to help navigate the online application.

The process for obtaining visitor placards will remain the same. Anyone wishing to request a visitor placard must do so in person at the Parking Clerk's Office at City Hall. Visitor placards are required for any visitors of Everett residents who wish to park overnight on the streets of Everett. Visitor placards cost $5 for a one-night pass, $10 for a 7-day pass, $15 for a 14-day pass, $20 for a 21-day pass and $25 for a 30-day pass.

In order to obtain a visitor placard a resident must show proof of residency. Residency can be established with a MA driver's license, utility bill or lease. The license plate number of the visitor's vehicle must be provided at time of request. The visitor placard shall be displayed on the driver's side of the dashboard, clearly visible through the windshield.

All Residents MUST fill out the 2020 City Census form prior to renewing their residential sticker application.

For questions regarding the residential parking sticker program or the online application, please contact Everett 311 or the Mayor's Office of Constituent Service's at 617-394-2270.

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be a new revenue stream of many millions of dollars coming into the City beyond the Host Community Agreement mitigation payments.

For comparison, the City of Chelsea collects on average around $600,000 per quarter in hotel excise, and it has five high-quality hotels now operating in that city.

For the meals taxes, the story didn't seem to be so spectacular.

Like hotel excise, meals taxes can be used as a barometer for the health of restaurants in the city – particularly those at Encore.

In the last quarter of 2019, the meals taxes for Everett (which includes taxes collected from all restaurants in the city – not just Encore restaurants) was $345,441. That was up from the first quarter of Encore operations, when collections came in at $255,474. Prior to Encore opening, the City averaged meals tax collections of around $150,000 per quarter.

It was expected that meals tax collections would be much higher quarterly than they have come in so far.

•ENCORE MAKES SECOND HCA PAYMENT

In other news, Wynn Resorts made its second quarterly mitigation payment under the Host Community Agreement to the City on Dec. 31.

Everett Chief Financial Officer Eric Demas confirmed that Wynn Resorts issued the City payments of $5 million and $1.25 million, which are the quarterly amounts prescribed under the Agreement.

The next payment would come at the end of March.

The payments would total just under $30 million for the year.

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is crimson, but our standard is gold."

In a speech that covered everything from the flu shot clinics to community charitable efforts to transportation revolutions to healthy school lunches – the mayor called for Everett in the new decade to be the "happiest and healthiest community in the Commonwealth."

It builds on his previous work in the last five years that has stressed healthy living, healthy food choices and frequent exercise – those coming in policy initiatives like his Food Council and the City-operated Health & Wellness Center in the old Everett High School on Broadway.

Standing at the podium, and keeping the mood light, the mayor detailed numerous agenda items he hopes to bring to the residents and propose to the new Council.

Chief among those items – and in keeping with his policy on health and wellness – he detailed a plan to sell the Everett Veterans Memorial Stadium on the Parkway for development. That sale, he said, would be able to completely pay off the bonds used to construct a new Stadium and Wellness Center in the new RiverGreen Park on the banks of the Malden River.

"We have the intention on relocating Everett Veteran's Memorial Stadium, shifting away from the congested residential parcel off of Revere Beach Parkway to the new RiverGreen Park area," he said. "In doing so, we hope to join together a brand new, state-of-the-art stadium with our health and wellness center, community spaces, training facilities, and a new locker room facility, finally granting to our storied Everett athletic department the amenities that they have earned over the years. The stadium's offerings will be open for use by all of our residents, regardless of the sport they play, their gender, or their age."

That was not breaking news, as the mayor announced those intentions at his Inaugural Address two years ago. However, what was new were more detailed plans and the decision to sell the current Stadium for development. Two years ago, that was not yet decided, as school officials at the time supported the move, but wanted the Stadium land to potentially build another new elementary school to handle the growing school-age population.

That seems to be no longer in the cards, as the mayor detailed a plan to pay for the new Stadium and fitness area with the proceeds from the sale of the Stadium.

"The same can be said with the proposed new stadium development: taxes generated from the development of the old stadium site will assist in funding the construction of the new stadium," he said.

The mayor said doubling the size of the Wellness Center, installing collegiate-level facilities and building a brand-new Stadium would cost the City about $50 million. He said they would bond the project for $30 years, which in today's dollars would amount to about $2 million a year in payments. He said by selling the eight acres of land at the Stadium for development – which currently generates no tax dollars – the City could pay the Stadium bond just by the new taxes from development on the Stadium property at the Parkway.

"The site that the Stadium currently sits upon is around 8 acres of land; land that generates no taxes for the City," he said. "In the current market, best-use development of a parcel of land off of the heavily trafficked Route 16 would generate approximately $500,000 in taxes per year per acre. What this means is that when half of the Route 16 stadium site is developed, the taxes generated would cover the expense of the new stadium."

Within that plan, the mayor said any Request for Proposals would emphasize the importance of retaining open space on the site, and adding public parking facilities for the Connolly Center and businesses on Chelsea Street and the Parkway.

"Although we are a City, we handle our financial matters like a business," he said. "Our investments are sound and we spend our money wisely. By doing so, it enables us to progress as a City without burdening the taxpayer."

For the new Stadium, he said they have already begun working on a new shared parking agreement that would leverage existing parking in the area. He said by using underutilized parking lots like the BNY Mellon lot, the RiverGreen lot, the Boston Coach Fidelity lot, and the Best Buy lot, they could handle parking for large events like graduation and homecoming football games.

"We will be able to accommodate for the increases in vehicular traffic during events with the over 2,000 spaces already in existence in the area without the need to construct any additional parking facilities," he said.

He also added it would help prevent visitors from being towed in lots near the existing Stadium at events like graduation – which happened in June 2019. That, he said, would help those visiting the Stadium and those who live adjacent to the old Stadium.

The proposed new Stadium would not have any immediate residential abutters as the existing one does now on Cabot Street and others.

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CORRECTION

In last week's Independent, it was stated in an article that both votes by the Council to take Pope John and pay for the purchase were unanimous. In fact, the friendly eminent domain taking passed 8-3 – with Councilors Mike Marchese, Michael McLaughlin and Fred Capone voting against. The vote to purchase the land passed 10-1, with Capone voting against that one.

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MVES holds monthly LGBTQ social group

Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) invites community members to join Mystic Tea, a monthly gathering for individuals with a focus on serving lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older adults in the Mystic Valley region, and beyond. MVES provides an affirming, comfortable gathering place for LGBTQ older adults and anyone who wants to meet, eat and socialize with a lot of very interesting and welcoming people.

Mystic Tea is held on the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at Mystic Valley Elder Services, 300 Commercial Street, in Malden. The "tea" includes coffee, tea, a hearty meal and periodical guest speakers, but more importantly, good company and conversation.

For more information about Mystic Tea and to RSVP, please call 781-388-2303.

City Hall to open new Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

By Seth Daniel

The City will begin a new effort to make sure all residents have their voice heard, and Mayor Carlo DeMaria said that will start with the opening of an Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion to make sure all programs and services are available to everyone in Everett – no matter what language or background they bring to the Hall.

The mayor made the announcement in his Midterm Address as part of an overarching initiative to make City Hall and City government more accessible to every resident of the city.

"In the interests of serving the needs of all of our residents, to give a voice to those not always so easily heard, my Administration is in the process of implementing the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion," he said. "This office will work with all City Departments to ensure that all people can access the City's programs, services, and buildings. They will also work toward addressing any racial and/or gender inequities in the City's workforce, with the goal educating and encouraging our diverse populations to utilize the many opportunities for growth and advancement that exist in our City."

The office will also oversee what the mayor said would be a new Immigrant Community and Learning Center. That new Center will be housed in the old Everett High School on Broadway – which the mayor announced alongside news of a community boxing gym there and space for the Everett Girl Scouts to meet.

The move was a nod to a much more diverse electorate that is checking in now at the ballot box, as well as new, active residents moving to Everett from Cambridge and Somerville. Those new faces, which the mayor spoke of several times in his speech, will be looking for services and greater inclusion in a City Hall – like many others – that has been "insider" territory for generations.

That, the mayor said, would all change – and not just in the sense of diversity and inclusion.

Along with the new office, the mayor said he wants to make City Hall into a dynamic and vibrant "heart" of the community.

"It is imperative that City Hall becomes a more dynamic, more accessible place," he said. "This revitalized physical City Hall will focus on modernization and interior gathering spaces, offering free Wi-Fi and community spaces for our residents, with the goal of becoming the true home and heart of our community."

DeMaria said that will come with a new design for the layout of offices at City Hall. Instead of walled-off departments, he hopes to have more open-space layouts that will streamline many of the "constituent-facing processes." That, he said, would lead to better operating efficiency.

A reinvigorated City Hall will also mean not going to City Hall, he said.

He said the administration would be coming to the residents through an Ambassadorship Program, or Mobile City Hall.

"Select members of my Administration will be coming to you, the residents of Everett, to meet you, to hear your concerns, and to offer their assistance in any way that they can," he said.

But it won't stop there.

He said they have expanded 3-1-1 to be accessible via phone seven days a week, noting that they logged approximately 50,000 issues with phone calls and in-person visits at 3-1-1 in 2019. That expansion will allow people to call in concerns every day of the week, and not operate on City Hall time, but on their own time.

That idea will also be used for paying bills or submitting applications using a forthcoming new website. The upgrade will also allow residents not to have to come to City Hall for parking or code enforcement hearings – an announcement that drew applause from the crowd in the Chambers.

"Additionally, we will soon allow parking-ticket and code-enforcement hearings to be conducted via FaceTime and Skype, relieving the need for a person to physically come to City Hall to address their issue," he said resolutely.

INAUGURATION NOTEBOOK

•The mayor said they are working with Mt. Vernon Group Architects to address the long-term needs of the school population. That group has determined that the best solution for the City and School Department is to utilize classroom space at the old Everett High.

Working with the School Department, the City will use the old Everett High as a space to expand the vocational program, he said.

"We intend to further expand the vocational programming for our high school, extending hands-on education for the trades, by utilizing existing vocational space in the old high school," he said. "This expansion will serve as an additional measure to attain my goal of ensuring that every graduate from Everett High School has a clear future path for eventual employment upon graduation."

•Scratch Kitchens? Mayor DeMaria said he is happy with the work of Whitson's as the new school food contractor, but he wants them to take it further. He said he has spoken to the company about the idea of implementing scratch kitchens in the schools. That would serve as an educational opportunity, as well as a source of even fresher, healthier food, he said.

•The City has received designs for the long-planned updates to the Connolly Center. Mayor DeMaria said they plan to start construction later this year, with renovations including a bowling alley, exercise room, art room and other features in the basement of the Center.

•The mayor announced that the Mass Gaming Commission (MGC) has allocated $1 million to complete designs to make the Orange Line Station at Assembly Row accessible from the Northern Strand Path. That will unlock the promise of Encore to build the pedestrian and cycle path over the Mystic River.

•On the Malden River front, DeMaria said designs have been completed for a public canoe and kayak launch at RiverGreen Park. He said they expect to start construction on the launch this spring.

"Imagine an Everett where you can ride your bike along a dedicated bicycle path, head toward the waterfront, and hop on a ferry to the Harbor Islands or take a quick trip over to the aquarium by boat," he said. "Imagine an Everett where crew teams gather in our backyard and skull down the Malden and Mystic Rivers. Imagine an Everett where parents spend the day with their children fishing off a public pier. This is not some far-fetched dream or disillusioned goal. This is a reality and this is our future. Our residents deserve nothing less."

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before quickly moving on to other initiatives.

However, the weight of the announcement was not lost on the public and the police, who have had frequent troubles with the existing Police Station on Elm Street. Last summer, the air conditioning went out for some time at the Station in the middle of a very hot stretch, making regional news as officers sweated it out.

Now, it looks like Mayor DeMaria has decided to move forward with the preliminary steps of getting a new station on the books.

"This is the very first Step 1," said Planner Tony Sousa. "Prior to going before Council to look for funding for design or construction, we are starting with Step 1. This is studying the feasibility for a new facility and they will look at siting and needs and design."

Economic Development director Tess Kohanski said the City put out a bid for an Owner's Project Manager (OPM) for the project in late December. Those bids are due on February 3, and will be opened at that time. The City will chose a bidder on the project, and that company would likely put together a Feasibility Study by the fall of 2020.

"It's bigger than just the air conditioning now," said Kohanski. "It's getting to the point where the air conditioning is a problem, the entire building is an issue and it's outdated and falling down around them as we go."

Right now, there is nothing firm as to what kind of Station would be constructed.

It could be a major renovation of the existing Station; it could be a demolition of the existing Station and re-build on the same site; or it could be a relocation of a new Station to another site.

The OPM would likely begin by speaking with Chief Steve Mazzie about the needs for a new Station, and what he and the officers want for a new Station. They would then conduct the Feasibility Study and Site Study.

"That will look at whether it is replacing the building where it is now, renovating what is there or building a new building on a totally different site," said Kohanski. "We will get an idea of where it should be sited and also we'll have a scope of the size and the needs of the Station. That will give us budget numbers and we can go to Council for funding and then go for full design."

Sousa said he expected that the project would come to the Council as part of a future Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) after the study is completed.

Everett Public Libraries Events

Events at the Everett Libraries for week of January 20.

Babytime
Parlin Memorial Library
Wednesday, January 22nd
Press Due: Monday, January 6th
Come to the Parlin Memorial Library at 11:00am on Wednesday, January 22nd for our monthly Babytime. This program is ideal for children up to 24 months, and focuses on songs, movement, action rhymes, and simple stories. No registration required.

Spontaneous Storytimes
Parlin Memorial Library
Saturday, January 25th
Press Due: Monday, January 6th
Drop by the Parlin Library from 10:00am to 1:00pm for a spontaneous story. Pick a story from our pile of the newest books, find a librarian, and participate in personal story hour! Or join in on someone else's chosen pick. We'll be reading books all morning!

Family Storytime
Parlin Memorial Library
Monday, January 27th
Press Due: Monday, January 6th
Come to the Parlin Library at 11:00am on Monday morning to read books, sing songs, explore movements, and more. For toddlers and preschoolers (and their grown-ups.) No registration required.

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THE EARTH IS ON FIRE

As this is being written, reports indicate that the worst is yet to come for the people of Australia, whose land literally is burning up all around them.

The apocalyptic images of families being driven from their homes, wearing face masks and eye goggles because of the acrid smoke that is darkening the daytime sky, and then being evacuated by boat from the beaches, are something out of a science fiction film.

But now, in 2020, reality has caught up with science fiction.

The Australian bush fires are the apex of what has been a sad, sad year for our planet. The Australian fires already have destroyed about 15 million acres — an area almost as large as West Virginia, more than triple the area destroyed by the 2018 fires in California, and six times the size of the fires last summer in the Amazon.

The fires not only have rendered large areas of the continent uninhabitable for humans, but they also have killed incredible numbers of wildlife -- some reports estimate half a billion creatures have perished -- threatening some species with extinction.

The bush fires have killed 24 persons and are causing health issues for every person in their path, especially those with existing lung diseases. The air quality in Canberra, the capital city, on New Year's Day was the worst in the world thanks to the smoke cloud that is as wide as Europe and now envelops much of the Australian continent.

The problems attendant to the bush fires are not confined to Australia. New Zealand, which is more than 1200 miles across the ocean, is enduring toxic air pollution levels. In addition, the carbon that is being released by the burning of the bushland will increase even further the carbon dioxide levels in the atmosphere that are the principal cause of global warming and climate change.

The influence of a changing climate is now evident in each day's global weather pattern, according to a study published last week in Nature Climate Change.

The study employed a new technique to analyze daily patterns of temperature and moisture across the globe. It found that the locations of above and below average temperature and moisture have been distinct from natural variations on every single day for almost a decade.

The bottom line is simply this: The world is getting hotter day-by-day and therefore bringing a dramatic change to our climate and environment. Some things, such as the massive fires in Australia, are dramatic and noticeable. Others, such as the gradual melting of the glaciers, are subtle, but their effects on the degradation of the planet are just as devastating.

It should be apparent to every thinking person that we are getting very close to a point of no return in terms of climate change. However, with governments across the globe in the hip pockets of the special interests who are opposed to the drastic measures that are needed to prevent further degradation of the environment, it is difficult to be optimistic about the future of our planet.

GUEST OP-ED

No eraser for 2019, but redemption in 2020

By Melissa Martin, Ph.D.

Will we be the same human beings in the new year? Will this year be different? Will humanity change? Along with 2020 comes the hope and yearning for a more peaceful human race. How do we do try to heal from the tragedies of 2019, but not forget?

Old Year

"Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And days o' lang syne!" Why do people belt out this tradition song on December 31 at midnight? "Auld Lang Syne" is a Scottish limerick about past relationships. My take—we are to consider and contemplate on whether we want to remember ruptures of past friendships and to repair or not to repair.

The year of 2019 is gone forever. Those 365 days cannot be undone or changed. No rewind button on mistakes. No magic wand to make the past disappear.

What Would We Erase?

Mass shootings. In Dayton, Ohio, nine victims died and 17 were wounded. Twenty-two victims died at a Walmart in El Paso, Texas, in August. In Virginia, 12 victims died and 4 were wounded. We would erase death, trauma, and tragedy. Family and friends would not fall to their knees in anguish. Americans would not mourn with despair.

FEMA lists Disaster Declarations for USA by state for 2019. We would erase typhons, cyclones, hurricanes, tropical storms, massive floods, volcano eruptions, earthquakes, blizzards, sizzling heat waves, raging wildfires—which, in turn, would erase loss of lives and property damage.

Accidents. Freak accidents. Vehicle accidents. Yes, we would erase accidents if we could.

What Would We Erase in Our Personal Lives?

Sometimes we desperately want to erase a day, a week, a month, or an entire year. Acts done to us without our permission. Choices made that we regret. We cannot suck back in the words said in anger. Or unsay words we should have said. The tongue cannot undo a lie. The lips cannot un-tell a secret.

A spouse may want to erase a divorce and begin the marriage again. "There's silence at the table/He wants to talk but he's not able/For all the shame that's locked him deep inside/Oh, but her words are the medicine/When she says they can begin again/And forgiveness will set him free tonight/As heaven touches earth." Lyrics by Jason Gray to his song called "Every Act of Love."

If only we could have a do-over day in 2019 and go back in time to make a change. What would we do differently? Would we erase or overcome? Would we become stronger in the broken places or erase what caused the broken places?

Change, Grace and Redemption

"That is what life is about. We do not get redos, but we do get second chances."—Jeffrey Fry

According to a 2019 article in the Columbus Dispatch, Harley Blakeman, a former felon, graduated from Ohio State University with a business degree, and recently stated a website that helps companies connect with former criminals seeking employment.

"God answers the mess of life with one word: Grace."—Max Lucado

Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all. That's the 8th step in the 12 Steps of AA. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it. That's the 10th step.

"Redemption isn't giving a bank robber a job as a teller."—Jane Velez-Mitchell

In this fallen world, sometimes we need to seek justice before we give mercy. And perpetrators deserve prosecution. Consequences are a reality when one chooses to harm another.

Alas, we cannot erase situations, happenings, or events in 2019. We cannot erase tragedy or trauma. We cannot erase mistakes.

But we can reflect on 2019 and become more aware, focus on change, give and accept forgiveness, renew hope, and make 2020 a better year.

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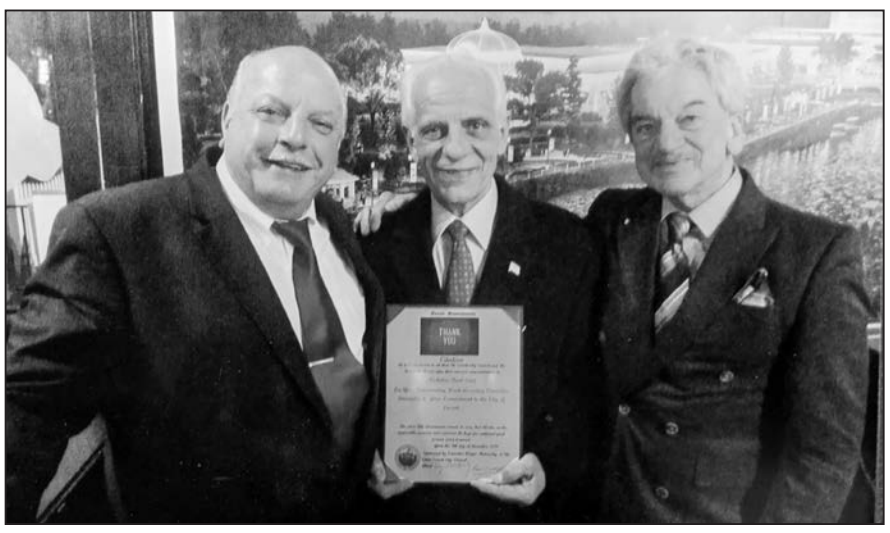
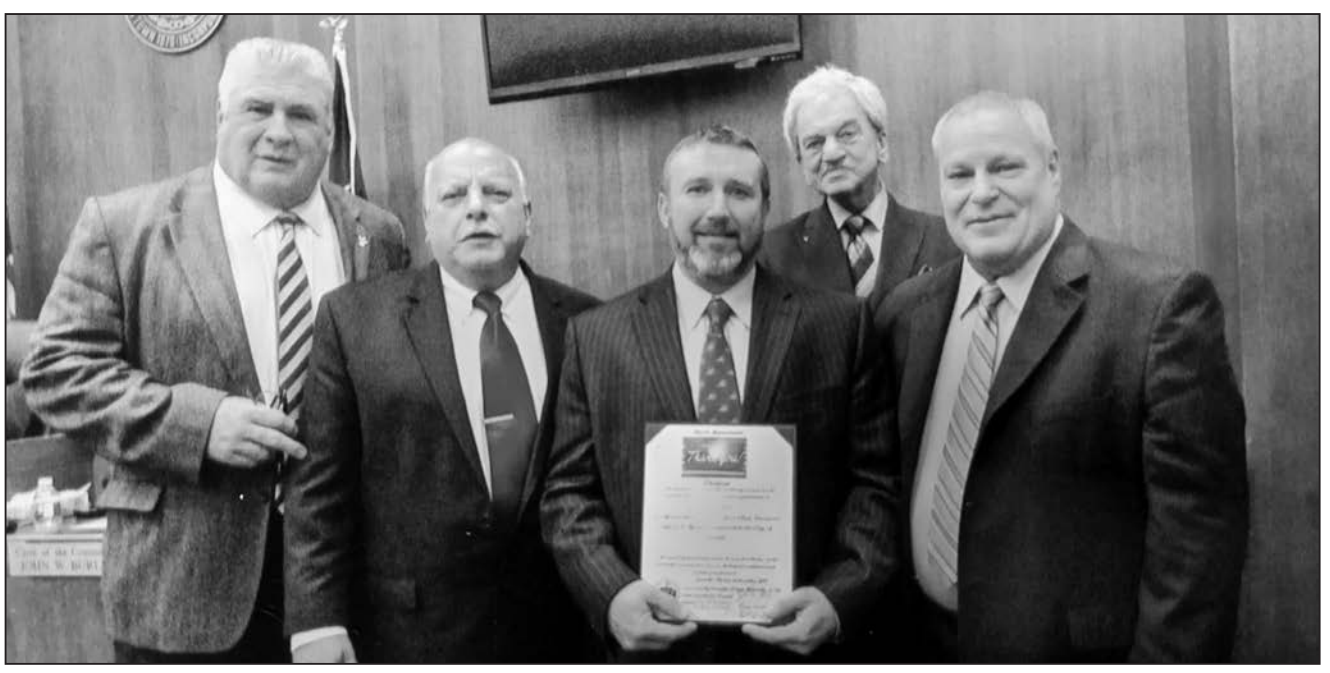


Nicholas Saia was honored for his assistance to Councilor Stephen Simonelli over the past two years by the entire City Council in December. Pictured here is Councilor Wayne Matewsky, Saia, and Councilor Stephen Simonelli.



The City Council's Ways & Means Committee in December presented City Auditor Eric Demas with an official proclamation in gratitude for his outstanding professionalism during the year. Committee members were very appreciative of all his help. (L-R) Councilor Mike Marchese, Councilor Wayne Matewsky, Demas, Councilor Stephen Simonelli, and Committee Chair Leo McKinnon.

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COUNCILOR MCLAUGHLIN BEGINS LISTENING TOUR AT EVERETT CO-OP

PHOTOS BY KATY ROGERS

Councilor Michael McLaughlin kicked off his listening tour at the Everett Co-Op building at 66 Main St. on Sunday, Jan. 5, with a good response from residents.

Accompanied by Councilor Fred Capone, McLaughlin said he was fulfilling a campaign promise to voters across the city not to disappear after the election.

"During the campaign, I had been asked by a number of people several times not to disappear and to be available during my tenure," he said. "On Jan. 1, I decided to start that effort and show everyone I'm not just showing up every two years at re-election time. As the Ward 6 city councilor, I felt it was the right thing to do to kick off the tour in my ward to hear their concerns first. It made sense to hear have my first event at Everett Villa Co-Op where I've spent a good amount of time in my political career."

McLaughlin said he was accompanied by Councilor Capone, and had just over 50 people attend to ask questions and join him for lunch.

He said residents voiced concerns about existing issues that were promised, but not yet delivered in and around their building.

"I will be taking the opportunity to take those concerns relayed to me back to City Hall as soon as possible," he said. "One of the concerns is the grounds surrounding their property."

He said the listening tour is called, 'Mondays with Mike,' but that he would be having meetings on Sundays if there is a City Council meeting on Monday.

"I'm going to be going around and door-knocking in Ward 5 next off of Hancock Street," he said. "Because there is a meeting on Monday, I'll be going to that neighborhood on Sunday, Jan. 12."

He said he looked forward to hitting every neighborhood in the city and hearing from every resident he can find.

"I want to make sure everyone has a voice at the table," he said.

Councilor Mike McLaughlin thanked residents for their support and addressed a number of concerns.

Councilor Mike McLaughlin was joined by Patti Frati, Co-Op President Maureen O'Brien, and Mary Gritti.

Councilor Fred Capone joined residents of 66 Main Street as part of Councilor Mike McLaughlin's listening tour.

Charles DiPerri asked the councilor questions during the visit on Sunday.

Patti Frati handed out chocolates as a thank you for supporting Councilor Mike McLaughlin in the November election.

Councilors Mike McLaughlin held his listening tour Sunday, and was joined by residents at 66 Main Street and Councilor Fred Capone for lunch.

Councilor Mike McLaughlin spoke with Mary Correia at 66 Main Street.

Co-Op President Maureen O'Brien and Pauline Spiegleman cut a cake on behalf of Councilor Mike McLaughlin.

Residents of 66 Main Street enjoyed lunch and refreshments with Councilor Mike McLaughlin.

Council // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Michael Marchese, Wayne Matewksy and Peter Napolitano.

City Clerk Sergio Cornelio welcomed everyone to the Chambers and conducted the ceremony – which took about 45 minutes to complete.

State Sen. Sal DiDomenico and State Rep. Joe McGonagle spoke to the Council and both called on the Council to forge a unity within the city. Unity has been unraveling as of late in the Council Chambers between some of the members and the administration. It is believed the new Council will be even more independent in its posture towards the administration, but that is yet to be seen.

DiDomenico said he hopes that everyone will work together locally and in the state delegation.

"We cannot succeed unless we're working together," he said. "We need each other. Your friends on Beacon Hill – Joe McGonagle and I – stand with you. I understand and know how much you care about this community. Unity should be the theme of tonight's proceedings. We have something special going on in Everett. Everett's on the move and has been for some time. We have worked as a team. Our residents come first and our ego is in the background…I have no doubt the Council and School Committee, with the state delegation, will work as one."

Later, the Council took up a vote for its leadership in the new session.

Though there had been some behind the scenes wrangling for Council President, it was Ward 5 Councilor Rosa DiFlorio that prevailed with a 10-0 vote of her colleagues.

Councilor Adrien voted 'present' on the matter.

DiFlorio had been nominated by Councilors Anthony DiPierro and John Hanlon.

DiFlorio chose Hanlon, Stephanie Martins and Jimmy Tri Le as the Council Messengers.

Clerk of Committees John Burley was re-appointed in an 11-0 vote as well.

"I hope we can all get along and make the right decisions," said DiFlorio before adjourning the meeting.

The Council will next meet on Jan. 13.

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio was elected unanimously as Council President for 2020.

School Committeewoman Dana Murray waved back at her family during the ceremony.

PHOTOS BY KATY ROGERS

Councilor Wayne Matewsky welcomed Jimmy Tri Le aboard the Council, as they will be sitting next to one another in the coming session.

New Councilor Stephanie Martins was sworn in on Monday evening.

Newly elected School Committeewomen Cynthia Sarnie, Dana Murray, and Samantha Lambert officially joined the Committee Monday.

Mayor Carlo DeMaria wished both the Council and the School Committee a productive new session.

New Councilors Gerly Adrien, Jimmy Tri Le, and Stephanie Martins were sworn into office on Monday evening, adding diversity to the council.

Vivi Ca, part of the Everett High string orchestra, helped to play the 'National Anthem.'

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CITY OF EVERETT HOLDS INAUGURATION AT CITY HALL

The City of Everett held its Inauguration on Monday night, Jan. 6, at City Hall. Councilors and School Committee members were officially sworn in, and Mayor Carlo DeMaria gave a Midterm State of the City address. The Council chambers were jam-packed and it was standing room only, with an overflow crowd spilling into the hallways.

Councilor Gerly Adrien was amongst, new councilors to be sworn in.

State Rep. Joe McGonagle addressed the crowd, congratulating new elected officials and the returning officials.

Sen. Sal DiDomenico congratulated councilors and School Committee members and called for unity.

Patti Frati joined Councilor Mike McLaughlin at Everett City Hall.

The Inauguration was held at Everett City Hall where former Mayor and current Assistant City Clerk David Ragucci carried in the City Seal.

School Committeeman Marcony Almeida-Barros was joined by husband, Mark Puleo, for the Inauguration on Monday.

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Open House:
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Keeping the lines of communication open is an important part of our work in the community. The open house is designed to give residents an opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions about the next steps in the project.

For more information about this proposed project, please send an email to ProjectInfo@eversource.com, call 800-793-2202 or visit Eversource.com.

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NEWS FROM AROUND *THE REGION*

COUNCIL APPROVES TIF AGREEMENT

CHELSEA - It was an early Christmas present for the residents of the Innes Apartments and Corcoran Development at the City Council's Dec. 23 meeting.

The Council voted 9-0 to approve a Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) agreement allowing Corcoran Development and the Chelsea Housing Authority (CHA) to redevelop the Innes Apartments into a mixed-income community with new public housing units and new market-rate units – along with parking and some retail portions.

Councillors Giovanni Recupero and Enio Lopez were not present for the meeting, and so did not vote on the matter.

The 15-year TIF will give the developer a tax savings of about $6.5 million over 15 years, while still bringing more than $4.6 million into the City coffers over that time.

While there was some discussion at a Council subcommittee meeting earlier in December about the 100-page document being dropped on the councillors desks without time to scour the agreement, the Dec. 23 public hearing on the TIF was more of a pro forma event.

One representative from the Corcoran Company spoke in favor of the TIF, alongside Chelsea Housing Authority Board member Juan Vega and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

"It's been a very long process, and I appreciate your diligence," Vega told the Council. "In order to carry this out for the residents of Central Avenue, there are a lot of preparations that have to happen for the families."

Ambrosino said the City has worked hard to make the project a reality, providing new, quality homes for the residents currently living in the 96 Innes Development apartments.

"This is the last milestone to make this project a reality," Ambrosino said.

The terms of the 15-year TIF include an 80 percent reduction in new value the first five years, 60 percent the second five years, and 50 percent for the final five years.

In addition to the 96 CHA affordable housing units on the site, there will be 40 income-restricted units and 196 market-rate units in the 300,000 square-foot mixed-use, mixed-income development.

Groundbreaking for the Innes Development should take place in the fall of 2020, with completion in January or February of 2022, Jen Corcoran of the Corcoran Company said at a Zoning Board meeting in November.

•In other business during the last Council meeting of the year, the Council also approved several zoning amendments. One allows for the storage of taxi cabs in industrial districts, the second cleans up some language in the Community Improvement Trust Fund, and the third allows for small, 5-G wireless transmitters on existing utility poles by right.

Councillor-At-Large Leo Robinson gave the City Manager some homework over the holiday break, requesting updates on the Forbes, Midas Muffler, Sixth Street, and Everett Avenue properties.

•It was not only the last Council meeting of the year, but the last meeting for three councillors, Luis Tejada, Robert Bishop, and Joe Perlatonda.

Each was given a plaque by a fellow council member and thanked for their time and service to the city.

CHAMBER RECOGNIZES THREE BUSINESSES

EAST BOSTON - The East Boston Chamber of Commerce held their 2019 "Deck the Windows" holiday window decorating contest the weekend of Dec. 13, 14, and 15. Businesses participated by decorating their storefront windows with decorations of the season, by calling the Chamber and having a Chamber Board member take the photos, or by having their decorations photographed by a Chamber Board member, or directly submitting pictures of their decorations.

From the many contest entries, three winners were chosen (first, second, and third place) to be the best decorated windows by an East Boston business in 2019. Certificates were awarded to the three winners along with a congratulatory letter from the East Boston Chamber of Commerce thanking each winner for their decorating and for demonstrating the spirit of the holidays in our community.

Congratulations to: First Prize winner – La Chiva Restaurant on Bennington Street. Second Prize winner – Italian Express Pizzeria decorations at "Ianuzzi's square" on Bennington Street. Third Prize winner – Jeveli's Italian Restaurant on Chelsea Street.

ELECTED OFFICIALS TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

LYNN - The Inauguration of the City Council and School Committee members took place on Jan. 6 in the City Hall Auditorium.

Judge Garrett J. McManus administered the Oath of Office to the members of the Lynn City Council and Lynn School Committee, members listed below:

Lynn City Council
Darren P. Cyr, President, Ward 3 Councilor
Gordon "Buzzy" Barton, Vice-President
Dianna M. Chakoutis, Ward 5 Councilor
Richard C. Colucci, Ward 4 Councilor
Brian M. Field, At-Large
Frederick W. Hogan, Ward 6 Councilor
Brian P. LaPierre, At-Large
Wayne A. Lozzi, Ward 1 Councilor
Hong L. Net, At-Large
Richard B. Starbard, Ward 2 Councilor
John M. Walsh, Jr., Ward 7 Councilor

Lynn School Committee
Brian K. Castellanos
Donna M. Coppola
John E. Ford, Jr.
Lorraine M. Gately
Jared C. Nicholson
Michael A. Satterwhite

Books for students of all ages from the Chelsea Teachers Unions Massachusetts AFT and "First Book". Shown in photo, Eighth-grade Teacher Matt Bennington, Diana Staco and Meghen Silk of the Clark School.

ELECTED OFFICIALS TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

REVERE - The City of Revere held its Inauguration Ceremony Monday (Jan. 6). at the Susan B. Anthony Middle School Auditorium.

Mayor Brian Arrigo and the newly elected members of the City Council and School Committee took their oaths of office during the ceremony.

Arrigo was re-elected to a four-year term as mayor in November. The City's chief executive will be delivered his second inaugural address.

"An inauguration always represents a new beginning, and that is especially true in 2020 as Revere embarks on dynamic times in our city," said Arrigo. "We have Amazon opening later in the year. We have new businesses, large and small, opening and providing opportunity for our residents. We are excited about Revere's future.

"I am enthusiastic about working with all of our elected officials," continued Arrigo. "We are a group that embodies the benefits of experience and community involvement along with the fresh new ideas that newly elected officials will introduce to their respective electoral bodies. This is the beginning of our all working together for a unified and prosperous City."

Speaker of the House Robert A. DeLeo, State Rep. RoseLee Vincent, and Sen. Joseph Boncore participated in the ceremony. City Clerk Ashley Melnik administered the oaths.

Members of the City Council inaugurated Councillors-at-Large Jessica Giannino, Steven Morabito, George Rotondo, Anthony Gerry Visconti, and Anthony Zambuto and Councillors Joanne McKenna (Ward 1), Ira Novoselsky (Ward 2), Arthur Guinasso (Ward 3), Patrick Keefe (Ward 4) John Powers (Ward 5), and Ricky Serino. (Ward 6).

Visconti and Serino are newcomers to the 11-member Council.

School Committee members inaugurated Anthony D'Ambrosio, Michael Ferrante, Susan Gravellese, Stacey Rizzo, Frederick Sannella, and Carol Tye. D'Ambrosio, who was elected in his first run for office in November, joins five returning members and Mayor Arrigo on the seven-person committee.

ELECTED OFFICIALS TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

WINTHROP - On Jan. 6, 2020, the new town officials were sworn in at the Arthur T. Cummings School. Town Manager Austin Faison will kicked off the ceremony with opening remarks followed by remarks from Senator Joe Boncore and Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo.

Town Clerk, Carla Vitale swore in the officers in the following order:

Housing Authority Member Richard D. Honan

Housing Authority Member Frank R. Ferrara

Library Trustee Denise V. LoConte

Library Trustee Ronald E. Bergman

Library Trustee Nancy E. Giuffre

Library Trustee Two Years Laura Marie Barrett

School Committee Member Valentino Capobianco

School Committee Member Suzanne Swope

School Committee Member Augustus D. Martucci

Precinct 1 Councilor Richard H. Ferrino

Precinct 2 Councilor James Letterie

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GOLDEN GLOVES

Lowell Memorial Auditorium and Lowell Sun Charities present the annual Golden Gloves competition featuring amateur area boxers, January 9-March 5, at 7:30 p.m. $16-$22 nightly. Lowellauditorium.om, 800-657-8774.

LYNN AUDITORIUM

The American Led Zeppelin, Get the Led Out, takes center stage at Lynn Auditorium, Friday, January 10, followed by Aries Spears, Jan. 12, and Popovich and the Comedy Pet Theater, featuring more than 30 pets on stage, Jan.19, City Hall Square, Lynn. LynnAuditorium.com,781-599-SHOW.

WE ALL FALL DOWN

The world premiere of Lila Rose Kaplan's comedy takes center stage with Boston's Huntington Theatre Company's production, January 10-February 15: Sundays, 2 p.m., Jan,12,26, 7 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 pm, Jan.29, Feb. 5, also 2 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2,8 p.m., Jan, 11, 8 p.m. only,7 at Boston Center for the Arts, Calderwood Pavilion,527 Tremont St., South End, Boston. Times vary. Tickets start at $25. Huntingtontheatre.org, 617-266-0800; subscribers, $10 off; 35 years old, below, $30; students, military with valid ID, $20.

COURTESY PHOTO

JUAN de MARCOS: The iconic musician and Afro-Cuban All-Stars headline Saturday, January 11, 8 p.m., at Berklee Performance Cenete,136 Mass Ave., Boston. $28-$58. Globalartslive.org, 617-876-4275.

MAYTAG VIRGIN

Audrey Cefaly's Southern romance about starting over again appears January 8-February 2, at the Nancy L. Donahue Theatre at Liberty Hall, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell. $24-$66. MRT.ORG, 978-654-4678.

THE CAKE

Lyric Stage of Greater Boston presents Beckah Brunstetter's comedic play focused on the gay wedding cake debate, January 10-February 9, 140 Clarendon St., Boston.617-585-5678,lyricstage.com.

THEIR SONGS LIVE ON

Accompanied by Linda Chase and the Breakaway Band, Richie Wills and his group of vocalists perform hit songs by iconic singers, who are gone, but their music lingers on. On January 9-12, re-live the immortal sounds of Aretha Franklin, Freddy Mercury, James Brown, Sam Cooke, Karen Carpenter, Nat "King" and Natalie Cole, Buddy Holly, the BeeGees, Whitney Houston, John Lennon, Michael Jackson, and others at Greater Boston Stage Company, 395 Main St.,Stoneham: Thursday, Friday, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2,7 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. boxoffice@stonehamtheatre.org, 781-279-2200.

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RENDEZVOUS WITH RACHEL REVERE

Judith Kalaora portrays Paul Revere's wife Rachel, Saturday, January 12 at 3 p.m., in Framingham. info@HistoryatPlay.com. Seating limited.

MARBLEHEAD ARTS ASSOCIATION

The new member exhibit and Trees-themed exhibit celebrate its opening reception Sunday, January 12, 2-4 p.m. ,at Marblehead Arts Association, King Hooper Mansion, 8 Hooper St., Marblehead. The exhibit is displayed Jan.11-February 2. Marbleheadarts.org, 781-631-2608.

RANKY TANKY

Global Arts Live and City Winery present the Charleston, SC five-piece band Tuesday, January 14, 8 p.m. at City Winery, 80 Beverly St. at One Canal, Boston. $30-$40. Globalartslive.org, 627-876-4275.

DINOSAUR WORLD LIVE

Emerson Colonial Theatre presents the international touring production of family-oriented "Dinosaur World Live," Sunday. January 12, at 1 p.m. emersoncolonialtheatre.com. 888-616-0272.

WOLF PLAY

Watch Company One's (C1) creative team creation of a boxing scene, with fight choreography and puppet movement followed by a discussion, in this sneak peek studio session Thursday, January 9, at the Pao Arts Center, Boston. Doors open 6:30 p..m.,open rehearsal starts at 7 p.m.

CRY IT OUT

Multi-award winning Artistic Director Danielle Fauteux Jacques directs Apollinaire Theatre Company's production of Molly Smith Metzler's play, "Cry It Out," through January 19: Friday,Saturday, 8 p.m.; January 12,19, 3 p.m., Chelsea Theatre Works, 189 Winnisimmet St., Chelsea. Post-show reception with actors. 617-887-2336, apollinairetheatre.com.

MOBY-DICK

American Repertory Theater presents the world premiere musical based on Herman Melville's classic novel, with music, lyrics, book and orchestrations by Dave Malloy, through January 17, tickets from $25. Loeb Drama Center, 64 Brattle St., Cambridge. AmericanRepertoryTheater.org, 617-547-8300.

WINTHROP ART ASSOCIATION

The works of 21 Winthrop Art Association artists adorn the State House Senate Hallway, third floor. winthropartassociation.org.

ACE TICKET EVENTS

Celtics take on the Spurs, January 8; The Bruins play the Jets, Jan. 9, at TD Garden;.http://aceticket.com/Aceticket.com.

KIMSOOJA

The globally renowned Korean artist invites patrons to participate in a meditative sculptural installation, "Archive of Mind," through Jan.19, 2020, at Peabody Essex Museum, East India Square, downtown Salem. pem.org.

PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNEYS OF CHINA

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16 Fertility god
17 Ingrid in "Casablanca"
18 Penalized financially
19 In a frenzy
20 Edvard Grieg piece and biopic
23 B'way theater sign
24 Bakery buy
25 Bad in Nice
26 Fink
29 Woody Guthrie piece and biopic
33 Ages and ages
35 Bark in comics
36 The third man?
37 Stuffing stuff
38 Windmill blades
40 __-noire
41 Workplace watchdog grp.
42 Circle section
43 More achy
44 Sigmund Romberg piece and biopic
48 Misspeak
49 Org. of Lions and Bears
50 Motorists' org.
51 Bikini part
54 W.C. Handy piece and biopic
57 Operatic prima donna
60 Singer Steve
61 Author Ambler
62 Saudi or Omani
63 Ford lemon
64 Part of A.D.
65 List of options
66 Russian rulers
67 Sibilant signal

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2 Bravery
3 I don't mind at all
4 Deer guy
5 Oblong box
6 Adjusted properly: var.
7 Capolicchio of "The Garden of the Finzi-Continis"
8 Always
9 Towers over
10 Online auction site
11 Lamb's father
12 Thai Buddhist
13 Wapiti
21 Musical composition
22 Math subj.
26 "Comin' Thro' the Rye" man
27 Rugged ridge
28 10th U.S. President
30 Standing by
31 Whim
32 Heavy work
33 Dwelling
34 Loom bar
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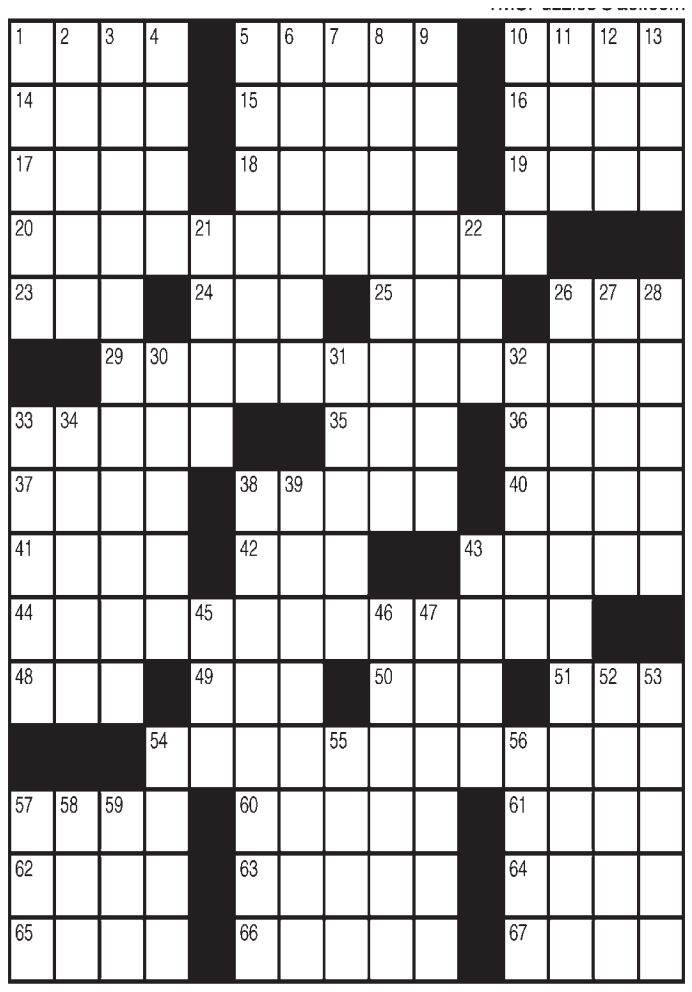

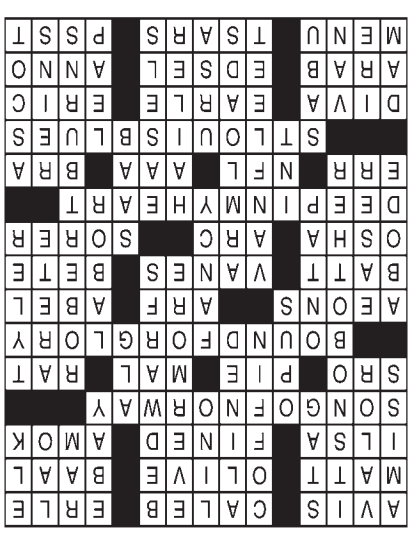

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OBITUARIES

Genevieve Arsenault

Of Everett

Genevieve L. (Cantalupi) Arsenault of Everett died on Dec. 29.

The beloved wife of the late Edward R. Arsenault, she was the loving mother of Jane Jagiello and her husband, Jim of Everett, Mary Fiorentino and her husband, Tom of Saugus, Anne Marvan and her husband, Joe of Wellesley and Edward Arsenault; beloved sister of Rosemarie Folan of Stoneham and the late Joseph Cantey, Mary, Edna, and Eileen Cantalupi. She is survived by seven cherished grandchildren: Michael, Kristi, Nicholas, Jonathan, Tommy, Erica and Alexandra and seven loving great-grandchildren: Marie, Chloe, Lilly, Kaylee, Luca, Leo and Cora. Funeral arrangements were by the Salvatore Rocco and Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main Street, Everett. Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. In lieu of flowers, donations in Genevieve's memory may be made to Glen Ridge Nursing Care, 120 Murray St., Medford, MA 02155, C/O Edgeworth Unit. For more information: 1-877-71-ROCCO or roccofuneralhomes.com.

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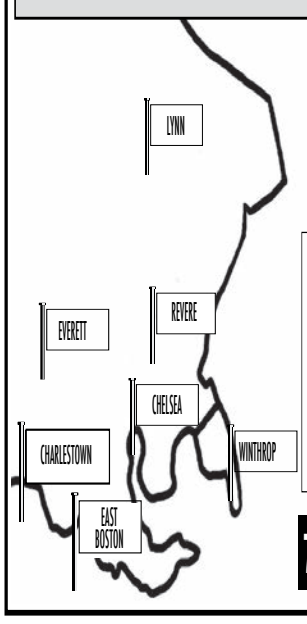

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CHURCH News

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 Cannon

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

Grace Episcopal Church

News and Notes

Grace Anglican Episcopal Church is open & welcoming to all.

There are 3 services on Sundays: 10am English, 1pm South Sudanese (Dinka) and 3pm 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.

Glendale Christian Lighthouse Church

News and Notes

Adult Sunday School at 9:30 AM. Teaching about Holiness .

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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Notice is hereby given that the following application for an Individual Groundwater Discharge Permit is being processed and the following actions being proposed thereon pursuant to Section 43 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws, and 314 CMR 5.00 and 2.06:
CITY/TOWN: Everett
PROJECT NAME: ENCORE Boston Harbor
APPLICANT: WYNN MA, LLC
FACILITY LOCATION: One Broadway, Everett, MA 02149
TYPE OF DISCHARGE: Groundwater
QUANTITY OF DISCHARGE: 8,640 gallons per day (gpd)
PERMIT NO: 994-0
TRANSMITTAL NO: X283656
PROPOSED ACTION: Tentative determination to issue individual groundwater discharge permit
A copy of the application, draft permit, and statement of basis or fact sheet relative to the draft permit may be obtained from the MassDEP's Wastewater Management Program at the above address and telephone number or online at: http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/news/comment/
Comments on the proposed action or requests for a public hearing thereon pursuant to 314 CMR 2.07 must be filed with MassDEP at the above address within thirty (30) days of this notice. For information on the process for formally intervening in adjudicatory proceedings, please refer to 310 CMR 1.00: Adjudicatory Proceedings, Section (7) Intervention and Participation. http://www.mass.gov leealagencies/massdep/water/regulations/31 0-cmr-1-00-adjudicatory _ proceedings.html

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NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION
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RTN 3-18459
A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. On January 6, 2020, Ruma Enterprises, Inc. recorded with the Middlesex South County Registry of Deeds a NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION on the disposal site, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1070 through 40.1080.
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The NOTICE OF ACTIVITY AND USE LIMITATION and the disposal site file can be can be viewed at the MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-18459 at http://public.dep.state.ma.us/SearchableSites2/Search.aspx or at the MassDEP Northeast Regional Office, 205 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, 978-694-3200.

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Kinsey named to the Assumption College Dean's List

Assumption College has announced that Steve Kinsey, of Everett, Class of 2020, has been named to the College's Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester. To be named to the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester.

"Students who are recognized by the Dean's List have demonstrated a commitment to hard work and academic excellence," said Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D., president of Assumption College. "These students are dedicated to their academic and intellectual lives, excelling in their programs of study, embodying the College's mission of forming graduates of critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service through a comprehensive Catholic, liberal arts education."

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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 beheld on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 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.
Whereas a petition has been presented by:
Property Address:
599 Broadway
Map/Lot: MO-01-000092
Person Requesting:
599 Broadway LLC
599 Broadway
Everett, MA 02149
To the said Board of Appeals, to alter the existing mixed use building, built in 1895, the existing building is non-conforming on the right side at the rear of the structure in that the side yard is only 6'+/- to the side lot line were 7' is required.
Reason for Denial:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:
Violations:
Section 6 Business Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements B (5) Side Yard. Applicant must seek relief in the form of a Special Permit and a finding pursuant to Section 3 General Requirements line (6) as follows:
"Pre-existing, non-conforming structures or uses may be extended, altered or changed in use, providing that such extensions, alterations or changes of use shall be permitted only upon the grant of a Special permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals and after a public hearing, a finding by the Board that such extension, alteration or change of use shall not be substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood than the existing non-conforming use of structure."

MARY GERACE - Chairman
Roberta Suppa - Clerk
Board of Appeals
December 31, 2019
January 8, 2020

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Whereas a petition has been presented by:
Property Address:
153 Chestnut Street
Map/Lot: MO-08-000097
Person Requesting:
Mr. Gessandro Rodrigues
162 Chestnut Street
Everett, MA 02149
To the said Board of Appeals, The owner/applicant to alter the existing s ingle family house, built in 1896, and convert the property into a two-family residence and also construct a dormer on the right side of the house. The existing 4,560 sf lot is located in a Dwelling District. The lot and structure are nonconforming as to setback, area and frontage.
Reason for Denial:
Permit was denied in accordance to the City of Everett Zoning Ordinance Appendix A as follows:
Violations:
Section 4 Dwelling Districts (b) Dimensional Requirements (2) b. - requires a lot size of 7000 sf for a two family structure. Applicant must seek relief in the form of a Special Permit and a finding pursuant to Section 3 General Requirements line (6) as follows:
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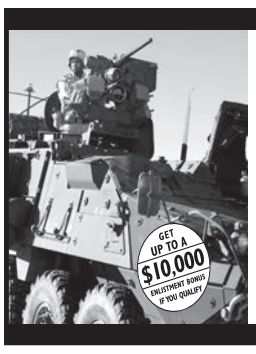

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Sports

EHS GIRLS BASKETBALL IN HOOP ACTION AGAINST CHARLESTOWN

PHOTOS BY JARED CHARNEY

The Everett High girls basketball team traveled down Broadway and across the Mystic River to Charlestown High for a rare matchup with the neighborhood to the south. The Crimson Tide remained unbeaten at 6-0 with a 44-20 win over the Townies.

Ashley Fitzgerald looks to pass to teammate Kaylee Rossi.

Kaylee Rossi sets to pass the ball to a teammate streaking down the court.

Maddy Dures dribbles past Charlestown's Kyara Smith.

Carolann Cardinale drives the ball past Charlestown's Alizey Marshall in the first quarter.

Stephanie Suavita looks to work the baseline.

Everett's Veronica Bento passes over Charlestown's Alex Rowell.

Gianna Martin goes in for an uncontested layup.

Maya Kirnon jumps to pass the ball to a teammate in the lane.

EHS *SPORTS ROUNDUP*

EHS girls basketball wins two more, now 6-0

The Everett High girls basketball team remained perfect on the season at 6-0 with a pair of victories this past week against non-league rivals Saugus and Charlestown.

The contest with Saugus was close through the first half, with the Lady Crimson Tide taking slim leads of 14-11 after the first period and 27-20 at the half.

However, Everett employed a 1-3-1 defense after the intermission that limited Saugus to just two points in the third period, allowing Everett to open up a 34-22 advantage entering the fourth quarter, from where the Lady Crimson Tide cruised to a 50-36 triumph.

Sophomore forward Andrea Manley led Everett in scoring with 14 points. Junior forward Maya Kirnon also reached double figures with 12 points.

Captains Carolanne Cardinale and Maddy Duraes both struck for seven points, followed by Ariel Charles with four points and the trio of Ashley Fitzgerald, Jane Odiari, and Kaylee Rossi with two points apiece.

The contest with Charlestown this past Saturday proved an easy hurdle for Everett in a 46-20 victory.

Senior Gianna Martin topped the Everett scoring chart with eight points. Fitzgerald struck for seven points, followed by Cardinale and senior Stephanie Survita with six each, Duraes with five, the trio of Kirnon, senior Veronica Bento, and Sara Thompson with four apiece, and Manley with two.

Coach Tammy Turner and her crew were set to meet Malden yesterday (Tuesday) evening in a battle of unbeaten teams. The winner will be in prime position to claim the 2020 Greater Boston League championship. The Everett girls won the last GBL title in 2017 before the league joined the Northeastern Conference for two seasons.

Everett will trek to Somerville this coming Tuesday.

Guillaume, Ho shine at Frosh/Soph meet

A contingent of the freshmen and sophomore members of the Everett High girls and boys indoor track & field teams competed in the Large School Division of the State Freshmen/Sophomore Meet that was held this past Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston.

All who competed were required to achieve a qualifying mark.

For the EHS girls, Rejeana Guillaume was Everett's top performer, coming in 30th out of 67 sprinters in the 300-meter dash and running a personal record (PR) of 47.72.

Teammates who also competed were freshman Nyla Crowder and sophomore Tanashia Johnson in the 55 dash; sophomore Lakisha Kirnon in the 55 hurdles; sophomore Alyssa Hurley in the shot-put; and the 4 x 200 relay team

On the boys' side, Brandon Ho was Everett's top performer, coming in 60th out 91 sprinters in the dash and also running a PR of 7.57.

Other EHS boys who competed were sophomore Natinaeal Abebe in the 300 dash, freshman Joe Lemus in the 600; and the 4 x 200 relay team.

Coach Jehu Cimea and his full squad are scheduled to take on Greater Boston League rivals Medford tomorrow (Thursday) and Malden on Tuesday.

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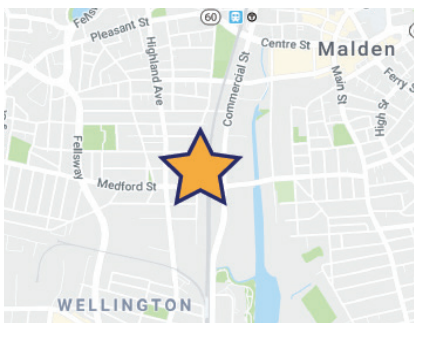

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